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President's Message

After a beautiful mid-April warm spell with temperatures hitting 28 degrees for 3 days straight, the ice has been melting fast and your Lake Association team is busy putting together the final touches to get this annual Loon Call to the printers. Thank you to Suzanne Koenderman and Ron Edmondson for spearheading this fantastic publication that will grace our decks and Muskoka Rooms again in 2023! Ron has really stepped up to help as our newest Director!

Looking back at the Summer of 2022 the association reverted to holding the AGM in the Rosseau Memorial Hall. Attendance was decent as we came out of earlier restrictions, but barring the unforeseen we can get an even more robust turn-out this summer. Please mark your calendar to attend on Sunday August 13th at 9:30am at the Rosseau Memorial Community Hall located at 2 Victoria St W. in Rosseau. In addition to coffee and tasty baked goods, this is a great chance to say hello to your Little Lake Joseph Neighbours and hear from our elected officials. Mayor Ann MacDiarmid provided a great overview as did Councillors Gail Finnson and Terry Fellner. They addressed issues that affect us all including taxation, development, and the environment. We also received an in-person update from Frances Carmichael of Safe Quiet Lakes on the myriad of issues around boating safety. The meeting lasted for 1 hour and 45 minutes. We try to keep it to 90 minutes, but it was a great open discussion about the various issues as outlined in the detailed meeting notes, thanks to Ian Davidson and included in the Loon Call as an overview of the AGM.

Our water quality analysis work continues and has been focussed on Phosphorous analysis again during 2022. Thanks to Dirk Soutendijk and Wesley Begg for keeping it going and for Doug Young for volunteering. Over the duration of the program the quality is consistent and good.

2023 will see a major milestone reached with the retirement from the LLJA Treasurer's role for Paula Kirsh. In addition to keeping the books for LLJA, Paula has worked tirelessly on memberships, mailings, keeping the map updated and generally keeping the board focussed and efficient. We hope Paula will stay on in her Treasurer Emeritus role as Director indefinitely to continue to share her wisdom and love for our Little Lake Joseph community. Speaking of stepping up, we are fortunate that Elizabeth Edmison has agreed to pick up some of Paula's work and we'll rely on Alf Kwinter even more to help with Membership!

Thanks to the Ader family for hosting another lovely summer social at their beautiful Blair Point property in 2022. We will come back with an email blast to advise about a social for 2023. If anyone has any ideas that they would like to share or if anyone would like to become a director, please reach out via https://llja.ca/contact/

Mayor's Message

Ann MacDiarmid, Mayor

The ice disappeared quickly on Friday April 14, 2023 bringing us into full summer weather with snow still in the woods. It has been a busy building season on many of the roads and bays around Little Lake Joseph with 11 active building permits open for our neighbourhood.

While we welcome our new neighbours it is important that we are all aware of the increase in building traffic on our roads. Please urge your contractors and suppliers to respect our speed and half load limits on the roads to ensure they are safe and passable for all.

I am excited to report that Seguin signed an official Memorandum of Understanding with Wasauksing First Nation in October 2022 setting the stage for our 2 communities to work together to build much needed infrastructure and preserve our special environment. We have much to learn from our new partners and were excited to be the first Council in Ontario to be sworn in by a First Nation smudging ceremony last December.

Seguin's request to rezone over 700 acres of land in the north part of our township was approved by the minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing in March. This land (just behind RONA and Canadian Tire) has been acquired by several developers and we anticipate a 5 to 10 year build out of up to 2800 attainable homes. Many will be rental and some will be multi units with low rise apartments and townhomes to address the critical housing shortage in our region.

The long-awaited Aquatic and Recreation Centre is moving ahead with contracts signed with a Project Manager, Architectural and Design team, a Construction Manager and a Professional Fundraiser. The federal and provincial governments have provided $23.5 of the foundational funding and the 7 municipalities and 2 local first nations are providing a combined $8 million.

The Fundraising Committee, Chaired by myself, is charged with raising an additional $5 million in capital and $5 million in endowment funding over the next 3 years. Although I recognise that most of us enjoy swimming in our lake, I urge you to support the pool financially to ensure that our local children – children of your builders and cottage keepers – have a year round place to learn to swim and recreate. Judy Haber of Performance Sponsorship Group may be calling on you for sponsorship for the pool.

Council rejected the Township Staff recommendation to regulate short term rentals with a licensing program. Instead, our new bylaw department is in the process of reviewing and strengthening our noise and nuisance bylaws in hopes that we can be more consistent in ensuring that we can all share the lakes and nature without interference from inconsiderate neighbours.

You should feel free to call the Seguin Bylaw Department at 705-732-4300 during regular business hours or 705-751-0050 after hours if in doubt.

I want to take this opportunity to thank you and many other Seguin voters for giving me the honour of being mayor of this very special township for a second term.

As we move from spring into summer, please reach out and welcome your new neighbours, enjoy our natural environment and our lakes respecting that there are many types of lake users ranging from swimmers and kayakers to wake and wave surfers and fisher people. Share the space respectfully for everyone's enjoyment.

LLJA Annual Meeting

Sunday, August 13, 2023 9:30 AM
Rosseau Memorial Hall
2 Victoria St W., Rosseau

Please join us for our annual Little Lake Joseph Association meeting. Coffee and muffins will be available.

We look forward to seeing you there!

LLJA Social Event

2023 LLJA Social Event
Saturday, 8th July 5-7 PM
Location: Ader Cottage 58A Blair Point Rd

Families and Friends are Welcome.
Refreshments for all.
Hors d'ourves will be served. There will be Prizes for the kids.

Rosseau General Store

By Laurie McDonald

The story of the Rosseau General Store began in 1861, when land in the area was surveyed and became Muskoka and Parry Sound Districts. Imagine, settlers travelling to these northern parts, creating the first roads, clearing trees and rocks and birthing our beautiful settlement areas, now know as Seguin Township. Two gentlemen by the names of Albert Williams and Edward Clifford were the first to purchase the land in 1864. As the property changed hands and the sum of money being exchanged went from $65 to $1000, becoming the time frame that is believed to be when the Rosseau General Store was born. There is evidence to support the 1874 date noted on the sign at the front of the store. The beautiful landmark "Rosseau General Store" will be celebrating her 150th birthday, on a date of the owner's choosing, in 2024. What an exciting milestone!

It is hard to imagine the land, where our "Grand Ole' Lady" stands so proudly, was empty. The original foundation was constructed of stone, and the supports, beams and walls carved from local timbers and beautiful wood milled close by.

It is believed that the store was erected in several sections. First, the main building that accommodates the main entrance in present day, was built. The outdoor that was created during the pandemic, was originally the entrance door to the living accommodations above. It is believed that the back extension was added around 1878. Then came the additional residence added to the west side of the building. While renovating, we found an old newspaper in these walls, dated 1913.

Throughout the early 1900's the store was heated with one large potbelly stove and there was a warehouse, icehouse, dock and supply boat on the water lot belonging to the store. The SS Constance travelled from dock to dock on Lake Rosseau with a full range of supplies. This saved vacationers a full day of rowboat travel to Port Carling or Rosseau to get what they needed! In 1912, Minerva Little had a 1700 sq. ft. Millinery Room on the 2nd floor of the store, above the butcher shop area. This room has been closed off since the 1940's, when they changed the heating system from wood burning stoves to an oil fueled steam heating system, after a fire. The Millinery Room, or "The Ballroom" as we have always called it, is still empty, waiting for a resurrection. The entrance is up a staircase in the back right hand corner of the butcher shop. It is a fascinating, creative space with curved architecture and old oilcloth hanging from the walls.

The Rosseau General Store proved itself during two different fires. One, when the Monteith Hotel at the waterfront burned to the ground. The back of the store roof caught on fire and skipped across the interior of the roof. It is said that water was chain ganged from the lake up to the store to put out the fire. The other fire was caused by a potbelly stove in the living quarters. There was extensive damage to the beams, 2X4's of some walls and ceilings in the west wing of the living quarters. There are some original wood pieces left exposed in the present laundry room to show evidence of the fire.

The store has been graced with many owners over the years. The longest stay being 29 years, from 1922 to

1951 when James Kerr Brown and family owned and operated the store.

The magic that captures a shopkeeper of the Rosseau General Store is when the history strikes you. You can actually feel it! It no longer becomes a job, but somewhat of a calling and a responsibility of such, to keep this landmark of the community going. Each owner has made a significant contribution to the operations and upgrades of the store, while honoring the history and architecture. The floors are original and still squeak away, the walls hold memories that could burst at the seams, and the cottage community holds this beautiful piece of history in very high regard. There are not very many places you can go where people can speak about being there as a child, 70, and sometimes 80 or 90 years ago!!

In 2017, my husband Brian and I purchased the store. It had always been our dream to move north and own our own business. When we became empty nesters and I took an exit plan from my media career, the plan started to come together. During work on a business plan for another project, we visited the Rosseau General Store. Although it was not for sale at the time, it was up for sale the next year. After six months of negotiating, it was ours.

The first year of ownership was spent getting to know the business and listening to what the customers and staff had to say. Graced with our manager Debbie Kerr, who had worked at the store for 29 years, we were able to work together to create a need's assessment to take the store to the next level, which the previous owners had admitted they were not able to do.

With a five year plan in place, we got started. Looking back, I can't believe what we made happen! The list is extensive and includes custom windows, new heating, air conditioning, a generator, over 20 new refrigeration units, wiring, lighting, conveyor system, receiving area, shelving, a POS system, and the list goes on.

In 2017, the main living quarters above the store went through extensive renovations. New wiring, fire protection and restoration of much of the original architecture, and repair and finishing of the attic have been part of the project. In 3 stages, this project was fully completed in 2022 and the before and after photo's are incredible.

The Rosseau General Store is open 362 days of the year at 1 Rice Street in the village of Rosseau to serve our local community and cottagers. Our store bustles with fresh produce, unique and specialty dry goods, a full butcher counter and beautiful meat selection, including the best steaks around.

The store has a hardware department, fresh baking, breads, pies and cookies, a wonderful selection of kitchen wares, gifts, toys, housewares, tea towels, candles and our own line of apparel. In the summer months we serve hand scooped Kawartha dairy ice cream to complete those special summer moments. Forget your toothbrush? We have those too. Just today a customer told me "my husband has been telling me for 70 years that he can get anything and everything he has ever needed at this store"! It's true to this day, as she places a box of white envelopes on the original wood counter and smiles.

We record our time in summers. As we head into our 7th high season, we are fortunate enough to have very loyal clientele, an amazing staff (full-time and seasonal), a great community to live in, fresh air to breathe and a wonderful place to call home. We are very proud of our accomplishments, and as we fall asleep at night, we know that this "Grand Ole Lady" is very happy and in good hands. We honor the opportunity to serve and protect her!

Muskoka Lakes Looks to Strengthen Dark Sky Bylaw

Article by Andrew Cruikshank from Cottage Life

August 22, 2022

The Township of Muskoka Lakes is updating its Dark Sky bylaw in an effort to strengthen it and is asking the public to provide input.

According to the municipality, its current Dark Sky bylaw, which was enacted in 2014, has posed enforcement challenges and confusion among residents.

"As far as the old bylaw is concerned, there are a lot of sections that are more aptly worded…like a policy statement, rather than an actual bylaw statement," says Rob Kennedy, Muskoka Lakes' chief municipal law enforcement officer.

That's why one of the proposed changes to the bylaw is stronger language. "If you look at the new bylaw, you see a lot of 'no person shall' in the sections. The whole 'no person shall' creates that prohibition," Kennedy says. Whereas in the current version of the bylaw, the wording leans more toward recommendations and preferences.

"We can't enforce something that says recommended or preferred," Kennedy adds.

The municipality introduced the bylaw as a way of protecting and preserving the area's environment, especially over Torrance Barrens Reserve, a conservation area at the southern end of Muskoka Lakes.

"Some animals only come out at night, and they feed at night. If people have a whole bunch of lights out shining, then it screws up their vision," Kennedy says.

Lack of light pollution also ensures a star-filled sky for residents.

Under the current bylaw, any resident within the township installing outdoor lighting must use shielded, full-cut-off fixtures. These are fixtures with a cover over the top that causes the light to point downwards. These types of fixtures are mandatory regardless of whether the outdoor lighting is installed on a cottage, garage, boathouse, bunky, or even private walkway.

Searchlights, strobe lights, and lit-up advertising signs are also major no-nos in the community. Property owners have until January 1, 2024, to transition all outdoor lighting to these types of fixtures. Indoor lighting is exempt.

Residents are still allowed to decorate their properties with non-cut-off lights for holidays, such as Christmas. But under the updated bylaw, these lights, along with all exterior architectural lighting, will have to be shut off between 11 p.m. and 6 a.m.

If the new bylaw is passed, the maximum fine for disobeying the Dark Sky bylaw could be as high as $50,000. Though it's unlikely bylaw officers would distribute a fine that high, Kennedy says.

"We enforce the Dark Sky bylaw mainly on complaint unless we see something egregious while dealing with something else," he says. "Typically when we find the contravention we will send a notice to the owner giving them a time frame to change their fixtures to be compliant with the bylaw and if they fail to do that then charges could be laid."

The fine for failing to comply would more likely range between $300 to $500. To Kennedy's knowledge, very few people have been charged under the Dark Sky bylaw since its introduction.

To provide input on the proposed Dark Sky bylaw draft, visit www.engagemuskokalakes.ca. The public has until October 30 to provide feedback.

Water Quality
~ Our Crystal Clear Lake

Our lake waters were tested again last summer by the team of Wesley Begg, Doug Young and myself. Wes does the most work. He picked up the equipment early in the summer, brought phosphorus samples to the MLA office in Port Carling and returned this equipment in the fall.

Doug and I help as much as we are able and will hopefully be able to help Wes more and more in the future. The three of us star in the accompanying photos which record the testing last August.

In brief, our waters continue to be excellent. Clarity is wonderful. We measured clarity in the middle of the Lake by being able to see a disc which was attached to an 18 foot long rope.

We could clearly see that disc when the rope was fully extended. Had the rope been longer, we might well have seen the disc even deeper than 18 feet. In any event, 18 plus feet clarity means our lake is very clear indeed.

Our excellent clarity is due in large part because we are careful not to spoil our clean lake with soap, septic run-off , old trucks and other pollutants. In the "old days" residents were not as careful to keep our lake clear.

I have heard that many years ago, for example, the local residents would place bets on what day "ice out "occurred each spring, " ice out" was deemed to have occurred when the old pick-up truck placed in the middle of the lake disappeared. I expect there could still be many old pick-up truck parts on the bottom of our lake.

We again tested our phosphorous content and found it to be high. In general , a lake which has a high phosphorous content is considered to be in trouble. In brief, phosphorous is created by deteriorating leaves and wood products characteristic of swamps. Our lake is not creating this phosphorous which is instead caused by several nearby swamps which empty into our lake.

As a result, our high phosphorus numbers reflect our surrounding swamps not our own depth or vegetation content. Even with the high phosphorous, moreover, our clarity numbers are very high and, in general, high phosphorus is not a health issue.

We have not tested for bacteria for several years essentially because the chemists who decide on testing believe that our prior bacteria results have been so good that it is really not necessary to incur the expense of testing again.

We strongly disagree with this reasoning. In our view. we would like to continue to test for bacteria so that we can in the future quickly see if a part of our lake has higher bacteria. This could alert us to seek the source of this higher bacterial content and deal with the offending situation.

High bacteria can be caused by leaky septic systems, over fertilization or other pollution situations. In general, bacteria is not much of a problem but if we have e-coli bacteria, we need to act quickly. We have asked those responsible for bacterial testing to reconsider and include us in the bacteria testing program.

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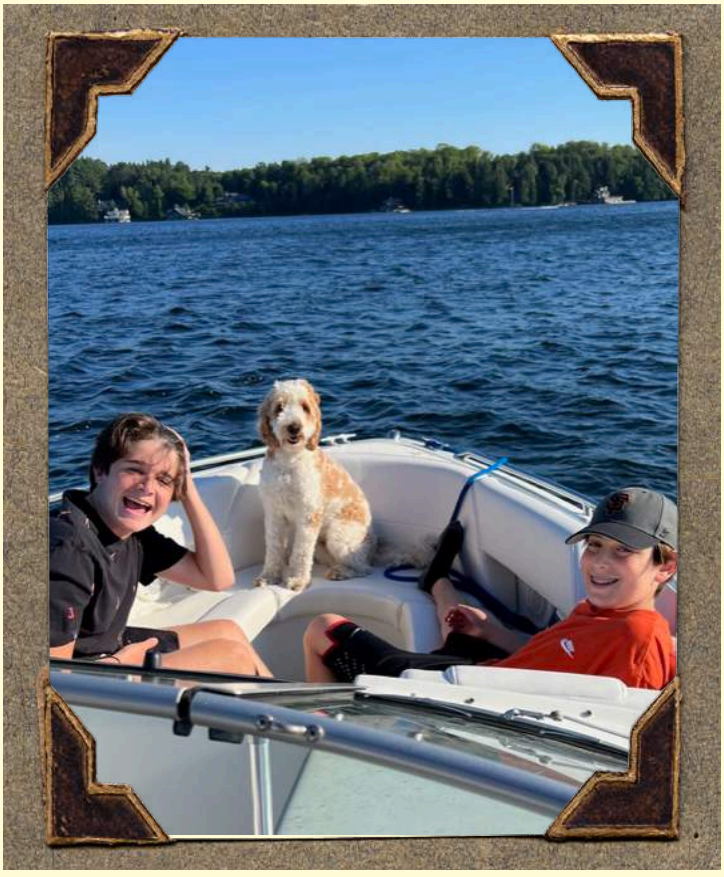
Seguin
Township
The Natural Place To Be
Premium Dock & Marine Systems
PARRY SOUND STORAGE

The Lake ~



West Parry Sound Health Centre Foundation

JOIN US in raising the funds needed to bring tomorrows healthcare to West Parry Sound TODAY.

I have an invitation for you. I am writing today to invite your association to join me in our hospital's NEW Your Health, Your Way Event. (Formerly, PS Walk, Run, Pols) As a resident of Little Lake Joe, our family came to the cottage for decades, never thinking twice about hospital care.

That all changed in June 2015, when a friend of ours became gravely ill, and his survival meant rushing to the West Parry Sound Health Centre. While I had been a great supporter of the foundation, my friend became a grateful patient through the medical attention he received in the ICU. Now our family is keen to give back in any way we can.

This year, for the third year, I am on the committee of this Annual Walk Event reimagined as Your Health, Your Way celebrating the Rehab program at the West Parry Sound Health Centre. I'm asking you to join me in this awesome community event by either signing up your association as a team and/ or forwarding this notice to your members. You can sign up at www.LoveOurHospital.com.

Together we can raise the bar on fitness and celebrate healthy lifestyle choices while supporting local care where we all live, work and play. This year's event is a hybrid model, for the month of May you can challenge yourself or your team to set your own goal to MOVE daily in your own way – all modes count for tracking: walking, running, biking, kayaking – Your choice, Your way!

The goal is to move and track our kilometers daily while securing pledges along the way. Every day we move, we get healthier. Every pledge we gather, we can move closer to our goal of raising $75,000 to support equipment and education for our Healthy Aging Rehab Program. Join in the challenge throughout the month of May while meeting your fitness and fundraising goals.

Then, mark your calendar to join us for a community walk at one of 4 sites across our region – at West Parry Sound Health Centre (May 1), Rosseau Nursing Station (May 7), Whitestone Nursing Station (May 17), and Pointe au Baril Nursing Station (May 28) to Move for A Healthy Community. To learn more about how you can join us visit:

LoveOurHospitals.com

I look forward to being in touch with you throughout the merry month of May!

Sincerely, Suzanne

The Long-Awaited Aquatic, Recreational & Cultural Centre Is Coming To West Parry Sound

After over 30 years of lobbying and discussions throughout the region, the 7 municipalities, as well as the Frist Nations communities, of the West Parry Sound area have been successful in securing the foundational funds to build an aquatic, recreational and cultural centre, expected to open in 2025 in the town of Parry Sound.

Although much of the community is talking about the long-awaited pool, this Centre will be much more than a swimming pool. It is expected to have a full-size gym (a first for our community), a walking track, exercise and fitness facilities, meeting rooms, as well as leisure and therapy pools. It will be a multi-generational facility that will include programming and facilities for people of all ages and physical abilities.

A Fundraising Committee has been appointed by the Municipal Services Board and charged with raising $5 million in capital to ensure that the building includes all of the facilities that our community has said they need and want. In addition, once that capital is raised, the Fundraising Committee is charged with raising $5 million in an endowment fund to contribute to the annual operating costs of the centre.

We are hoping that you will help us make the Centre the very best it can be!

For more information, go to www.wpspoolandrec.ca or www.letsmakeasplash.ca

Minutes of
Little Lake Joseph Association Annual Meeting
Sunday, August 7, 2022

Total attendees: ~26

Confirmation of Quorum.
- A quorum of Directors and members was confirmed and the meeting commenced at 9:35.

Board Attendees:
- Dirk Soutendijk – Water Testing, Paula Kirsh - Treasurer, Alf Kwinter - Membership, Ian Davidson - Secretary, Wesley Begg – Water Testing, Suzanne Koenderman – Loon Call - Community, Mark Johnstone - President, Elizabeth Edmison – Community (regrets)

1. **Welcome and introduction.**

2. **Board Update – Mark Johnstone:**
   - Mark welcomed people and outlined agenda.

3. **Water Quality Testing 2021-2022 – Wesley Begg/Dirk Soutendijk**
   - Full water testing this year to resume, including bacteria testing in the future. Lake is healthy with phosphorus remaining high, consistent to prior years based on combination of natural run-off and human related (e.g. fertilizer)

4. **Loon Call – Suzanne Koenderman**
   - Thanks for the volunteer contributions for the Loon Call. LLJA is always looking for articles and photos or articles of interest.

5. **2022 Summer Social Report – Suzanne Koenderman/ Elizabeth Edmison**
   - Thanks to Ader's who hosted this year. The event was successful with a good turnout. Ader's have graciously agreed to host again in 2023

6. **Membership update /Financial Statements as shown in Loon Call**
   - Paula presented financials for 2021-2 as shown in Loon Call. It was generally the same as last year. Motion: Alf Kwinter. Seconded: Suzanne Koenderman, carried by show of hands
   - Agreed to continue to fund $500 to Rosseau Nursing Station for longer opening hours from July-Labour Day. Motion to increase to $1,000 year next year (Mark Johnstone), Seconded: Sue Paterson, carried by show of hands
   - Continue to donate to Safe Quiet Lakes
   - New donation to the Parry Sound Hospital for "Castaway" fundraiser: $250. Motion: Paula Kirsh, Seconded: Jennifer Lebow. Vote carried by show of hands www.wpshcf.com
   - New donation of $250 to Parry Sound Foodbank, who are always in need of financial support or food at any time of year from cottagers https://parrysoundharvestshare.com
   - Please contact LLJA if you think there are other community groups deserving donation and recognition

7. **Director Openings – Motion/Vote Required. Call for nominations – standing for re-election: Paula Kirsh, Dirk Soutendijk, Wesley Begg, Mark Johnstone**
   - Ron Edmondson has agreed to join the LLJA Board. Motion: Mark Johnstone, Seconded: Sue Paterson, carried by show of hands
   - All other board members stood for re-election. Motioned: Suzanne Koenderman, Seconded: Ian Davidson, carried by show of hands
   - Please contact LLJA if you are interested in joining board or volunteering

8. **Presentations: Mayor Ann MacDiarmid, Councillors Gail Finnson, Ward 6 & Terry Fellner- Ward 4 –**
   - **Election Date October 24, 2022**
   - Ann MacDiarmid, provided Seguin update. Many staff changes particularly at the senior management level. Chief Admin Officer, Jason Inwood, is building an energized, qualified team of professionals who are moving Seguin into more modern and efficient systems. Seguin focus on keeping taxes low, increase broadband and being an environmental leader. Town is also focusing on enhancing the community experience, so feedback – good or bad – on Town interactions is welcome. Key projects that are completed or underway
     - Active Trails Master Plan is complete to improve the connectivity and quality of our trails throughout Seguin. See https://parktoparktrail.org
     - The review of the Official Plan has ongoing community consultation, followed by a new Draft plan for final comments before it goes to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs
     - Raised $32 million with six neighbouring townships to build a long-awaited pool and wellness centre to be based in Parry Sound. Construction to start in 2024
     - Raised just over $10 million to renovate the airport runway and 12 more business lots with expected completion late summer 2024
     - Started Ministerial Zoning Order request for Seguin to rezone over 700 acres of land to new housing development. This is behind Rona and Canadian Tire in Parry Sound.
     - In depth review of the Shoreline Alteration bylaws (tree cutting, fill and blasting) to protect our environment. Looking for community input to help better protect development on lakes.
     - A questionnaire is being mailed out for input on short-term rentals seeking community input on what should be allowed.
     - Town is working with Provincial government as part of auction for broadband providers in Ontario municipalities. Private providers will be installing submarine cable up Lake Joseph (west side) and then across Lake Joseph this is at least a year away from LLJA area.
   - According to the recent Census, Seguin grew by 22.7% between 2016 and 2021, without even trying, and was the fifth fastest growing community of communities between 5,000 and 10,000 residents in Ontario.
   - Ann reported that Council is working hard to keep taxes as low as possible and manage cost increases. The tax increase of 2.93% was hard to swallow but has resulted in many township improvements ($51.92 increase for the average residential property ratepayer)
   - Seguin collects just over $19 million in tax levies, of which about $6 million goes to education. This breaks down to Operating budget of $16.8 million and $5.1 in capital spending in the 2022 tax year
   - Councillor updates from Terry Councillor for Ward 4 (East side LLJ) & Gail Finnson, Councillor Ward 6 (West side of LLJ)
     - Focus for sustainable financial and environment and development
     - One of the provinces best recreational trails for all purpose use is in the region that crosses Seguin Township. For details: https://parktoparktrail.org
     - Updates to bylaws and official plan are required and being taken to better support Seguin to manage development on lakefront properties
   - Ann, Terry and Gail are running again for office again. We need to get the vote out in October

9. **Presentation: Safe Quiet Lakes Update – Frances Carmichael**
   - LLJA was one of the four founding lake associations for Safe Quiet Lakes (SQL) who conducted updated research for 2021 (2013, 2017). With over 6,000 respondents, and 1,700 responses from local regional lakefront residents, the key trends: noise, speed and large and personal watercraft
   - Survey found that respondents see a reduction in quality of boating in recent years, with an increase in people wanting more regulation and enforcement
   - Laws are federal but enforcement is through OPP
   - Advocacy continues to focus on boat decibel limits with 50 other lake associations and SQL lobbying to Transport Canada
   - Boat wakes remains a major concern with damage to shoreline. "No Wake" signs are available from SQL to help raise awareness and etiquette boating. A national coalition being raised to change the national regulations

10. **Open Discussion**
    – Questions/Comments None

11. **Adjournment**
    - Mark Johnstone moved to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Ian Davidson. Meeting ended 11.15

Little Lake Joseph Association
Financial Report
For the year end August 31, 2022

Income	
Membership fees and Other Income	$9,652
Expenses	
Loon Call 2022	$1,598
Liability & Directors' Insurance	1,540
Social Event	1,086
Communications	743
FOCA Membership	465
Website	452
Donations ...	
Rosseau Nursing Station	500
Safe Quiet Lakes	500
Parry Sound Food Bank	250
Total expenses	$7,134
Excess of Income over expenses	**$2,518**
Cash August 31, 2021	**$19,466**
Excess of Income over Expenses	2,518
Cash available August 31, 2022	**$21,984**

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Get Involved In Your Association

The heart and soul of any organization is its members and new voices and points of view are vital to longevity. Any member of the Little Lake Joseph Association is welcome to put forth their name to join the Board of Directors.

Presently, the Board meets twice a year - usually on the May long weekend and again in the fall. Volunteers are also welcome to assist with activities or committees. I hope you will consider volunteering your time and expertise to the LLJA.

Appeal to Non-Member Residents of LLJ

The LLJA is comprised of volunteers who freely give of their time and expertise for the benefit of all. We urge those residents who have not joined to do so per the form on page 14. It is a great value.

Little Lake Joseph Association

Box 1268, Station "K", Toronto, ON, Canada M4P 3E5

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP DUES 2023

COMPLETE AND MAIL TODAY

The Little Lake Joseph Association (LLJA) is pleased to have almost all of our shoreline residents as members. Please encourage your friends and neighbours to become members so that we can continue to provide the best representation for all of us on important issues like water quality, boating safety and political representation.

Please complete this membership form and send us your 2023 membership dues now. You can send us a cheque in the enclosed pre-addressed envelope or you can now pay your dues using Interac e-transfer.

If you would like to take advantage of paying on line, please follow these instructions:

1. **Log onto your own online banking account.**
2. **Set up LLJA as a new "payee" using the following LLJA email address:** accounting@llja.ca
3. **Use the following security question and answer:**
   - **What is the name of our LLJA annual publication?**
   - **Answer: "looncall" - it is case sensitive so use all lower case letters and type it as one word**
4. **Please indicate your full name and which cottage membership this payment is for. You can do this in the "notes" field of the Interac form.**

Alternatively, you can mail us a cheque for $100.00 payable to the "Little Lake Joseph Association", with this completed form to the above address as soon as possible.

Please check out our refreshed website at www.llja.ca regularly for news, useful information and special events including a section where you can submit ideas or questions to your board. If you wish further information related to LLJA membership please contact Paula Kirsh by email: pkirsh@ sympatico.ca

MEMBER ADDRESS INFORMATION

Place label with name and address here

New and Additional Information - Any changes?

Family Name(s):_____

Home Address: _____

City: Prov. Code:_____

Phone: Cottage:_____

Phone Home:_____

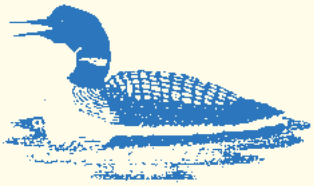
E-Mail:_____

By completing this form, you will become an official member of the Association in accordance with the bylaws of this corporation. Membership will be effective from April 1, 2023 or such later date as you join. As a member, you hereby consent that your name and other information may be published from time-to-time in the Association's directory.

Annual Dues Enclosed $100.00 _____

Member's Signature

LITTLE LAKE JOSEPH 2023



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Note: Map not to scale