

## **FIRA General Meeting Minutes**

**March 17, 2019**

Dave Chevrefils opened the meeting at 4:30pm. He spoke of our shared grief of the sudden passing of our friend and FIRA's past President, Dave Wilson. We are thankful for Dave's service, our time spent with him and the FIRA community will miss him. Dave's wife, MaryBeth, thanked everyone for their kindness and support.

### **Automated External Defibrillator (AED)**

~ Dave C informed us that the Eagle Lake Market installed an AED after realizing that it could someday possibly help save a life. It may not have helped in Dave W's situation but his circumstance helped raise the awareness of the importance of having an AED in more locations.

~ Thanks to an organization Dave was involved with, you can purchase a Zoll AED for your home at lower cost of \$1,830.54 (\$1,650 + HST of \$210.59) through Chris Parish of the Haliburton County Paramedic Services.

### **Past President Position:**

~ Glenn Smith has agreed to resume his former past president position in the place of Dave Wilson. According to article 10, section 2 of our by-laws, Vacancies in the Executive, which occur during the year, may be filled temporarily by a willing member in good standing, on the appointment of the Executive.

### **Hall Recycling**

~ New containers have been purchased to keep our recycles separated for easier disposal. Dave Wilson had the idea and we finally carried out his quest.

### **Financial Report**

~ Keith handed out the current Financial report , attached at end of minutes.

~ We have received dues from 37 families so far and has heard from a few more that will pay upon return to the lake. There is a new couple that will be joining FIRA. Last year we had 81 families/individuals.

~ There is a \$54 profit at this time from Jane's class.

### **Front Entrance Project**

~ The committee for the front entrance project includes, Wayne MacKenzie, Lou Skraba, Rod & Jackie Bradbury, Dave & Dianne Chevrefils & Andy Valickis.

~ This project is to increase the safety for our members. The first new piece to the project is the new door. It has been purchased for \$569 and includes a window with mesh window and it will fit in original frame. This will help with the issue of people coming and going at same time.

~ The deck will go along all front with stairs on both sides. They are looking at 10' deck at this time and plans have been proposed to municipality. We cannot do any enclosures as they would not meet the set-back requirements but will allow the deck to encroach a bit. Also, cannot do the portico (roof) above the door but will continue to try and get one for later.

- ~ Municipality concern that our deck encroaching on our parking but we are actually saving space (gaining 2') by allowing cars to pull up to deck. The deck must be kept in good condition and follow health and safety policies.
- ~ Lou Skraba stated that the cost estimates for deck and stairs at each side are under \$5,000 with volunteers building.
- ~ Chris Cochrane made a motion for the Executive Committee to spend up to \$5,000 with a second by Jacqui Clarkson. Motion carried.

**Parking Lot:** Our lot as it relates to the front entrance project is also a question. In 2013 we were approved for a parking lot so cars aren't on the road but may need to go to council again to make sure the approval is still valid so we don't have to include the lot in this entrance project. Andy & Dave are meeting with folks on Tuesday to find out further details as the municipality is the owner of the hall's property. Glenn Scott thinks our insurance here needs to cover any issues (which it does). We can use the variance committee if we need to. Also, we had to sign off on species-at-risk study.

**Lot Expansion:** We also would like to look at expanding the current lot to the north. With new buildings going up - hoping for clean fill once we take down some trees. There would still be trees remaining at front near road so nobody would see the additional lot.

#### **Miscellaneous:**

- ~ **New fees** for fitness classes are listed on the FIRA website. We are still looking for a yoga instructor.
- ~ Remember to update any **personal information** with Keith and to get the dues in.
- ~ **Wayne MacKenzie** will wear 2 hats and remain on the Executive Board as a Member at Large and well as be the Building's Supervisor.
- ~ **Exterior windows** need painting - need volunteers this summer.
- ~ Hoping to apply for the **Trillium fund** again - Andy Valickis and Chris Cochrane volunteered to write the grant.
- ~ **Removal of air conditioners** - Dan Kay quoted \$900 to remove air conditioners and put in new windows. That is above our budget of under \$600. Matching siding may be an issue. Get other quotes? Ask Dan for more information. Keith Clarkson made a motion to postpone until we can do all the windows and do them at same time. Andy Valickis moved to do so and Dianne Kelly seconded the motion. Motion carried.
- ~ **Christmas party** with Carrie DiFrancesco, Irene Odell, Lynn Yake and Evelyn Fenwick will release a date soon. Last year's pictures are now on the FIRA website.
- ~ **Card tables** have been patched but please be careful with them - lift do not drag.
- ~ **Propane discount:** is for September thru April.

~ **Membership:** We do have the \$10 discount for any other lake association

~ Jacquie Clarkson reported that the **Friendship Force** group rented our hall and participated in lake winter activities. People came from Australia, New Zealand, S. Africa etc... They loved the Haliburton experience, our building and commented that it was a very special place.

~ **Cleaning person:** We lost our cleaning lady again and the Chevrefils have been cleaning for past 2 months. We are interviewing someone new tomorrow.

### **Fundraising events**

~ The **quilt** is done! There are 2 quilts for raffle this year and tickets are being printed.

~ The **Pancake Breakfast** is August 17th with Carrie DiFrancesco.

~ The **Summer Fest** with Dianne Chevrefils is June 29th. Pie crusts are needed - pick up your plates at the hall.

~ The **Meat Sale** with Graham Newton will again be offered.

~ **Club 200** Graham Newton and Lou Skraba will again be offered.

~ The **Pig Roast** is September 14th with Keith Clarkson & Garth Krieger

~ **Casino Night** - still waiting to hear. Dianne Kelly and Sue Mason may offer another in May.

**Adjourn:** Dianne Chevrefils motioned to adjourn with Glenn Smith seconding and the motion carried.

**FIRA Income Statement  
2019 through March 13**

<b>Income</b>			
	Dues	2,990.00	
	Fundraising	5.00	
	Hall Donations	50.00	
	Fitness	564.00	
		30,229.50	
			Net Expenses: (120.00) *
			54.00

<b>Expenses</b>			
	Hall Exp.	(50.00)	
	Fundraising	(125.00)	
	Fitness	(510.00)	
	Bank S/C	-	
	Propane	(336.63)	
	Hydro	(72.52)	
	Bell	(139.06)	
	Hall Reno	-	
			(1233.21)

<b>Current Year Income</b>	2,375.79
<b>Cash January 1, 2018</b>	-

<b>Current Balance</b>	2,375.79
<b>GIC Invested 11/17</b>	7,594.22
<b>GIC due April 2019</b>	10,936.39

<b>Total Funds</b>	20,906.40
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Silent Auction	
MacGregor Meats	
Summer Fest	
Quilting & Pillows	
Casino Night	
Crafts	-125.00
Pancake Breakfast	
Summer BBQ	
Xmas dinner/dance	
Pig Roast	
Sharpening	5.00
Club 200	
	-120.00