

# Cataraqui Canoe Club

## Minutes AGM Oct. 10, 2011

The meeting was held in the Auditorium, Ongwanada Resource Centre, 191 Portsmouth Avenue, Kingston. Commodore Ed Jezak called the meeting to order, with 27 members in attendance.

1. Review and approval of agenda Meeting agenda presented and copies distributed for review. Ed Jezak requested members to review agenda as presented. Motion: that meeting agenda be approved as presented Moved: Carolyn Bonta, Seconded: Rick McIvor. CARRIED.

2. Approval of the minutes of the last General meeting, 12 October 2010 Motion: That the minutes of the last General meeting be approved as presented. Moved: Patricia Wideman, Seconded: Carolyn Bonta. CARRIED.

### 3. Reports

a) Treasurer and Financial Review (Harry Burgstaller): Three financial statements presented (copies distributed for member review) Harry noted that financially speaking, it was a successful year for the club.

1. Statement of Financial Position (Balance sheet as of March 31, 2011 with comparative figures as of March 31, 2009 and 2010. Harry extended a thank you to Steve Manders for creating more storage space and thereby maximizing boat storage revenue.

2. Comparative statement of Revenue and Expenses for years ended March 31, 2011, 2010 and 2009. Sources of revenue stay the same. The expenses are fixed, only a few are controlled by the club. Advertisement decreased somewhat. The liability insurance remained the same. Newsletter costs decreased due to sending most of them via e-mail. There was not much money spent on maintenance and repairs. More will be needed as the washrooms need to be renovated.

3. Financial Report. Harry informed members that he has earmarked \$5,000 for major repairs. Furthermore he announced he will not run as treasurer again. Reviewer Report: Review undertaken by Janice Ley. No issues noted. Copy of Review distributed with financial reports for members review. Harry thanked Janice for the review. Harry opened up floor for questions. None received. Motion: That the financial reports and review be approved as presented Moved: Harry Burgstaller, Seconded: Conrad de Barros. CARRIED.

b) Schedule (Mike Fisher): Schedule ran reasonably well. As a result of more restrictive measures for the trip leaders from Transport Canada, one trip leader quit and as a result some trips were cancelled. Thanks extended to all trip volunteers.

c) Membership (Debbie Twiddy): Presented by Linda Whitfield as Debbie sent regrets. Memberships are a bit lower this year: 168 members (37 families, 131 single).

d) Publicity (Linda Whitfield): Schedule of activities were sent to: Kingston This Week, Whig Standard and EMC. Announcements were placed in The Whig Standard and The Kingston This Week inviting the public to special events such as the Scott Cunningham presentation (late March), Annual General Meeting and the Steve Manders presentation of Sea Kayaking in Haida Gwaii and Johnstone Strait, BC. Large ads were put in the City of Kingston Recreation & Leisure Magazine both spring and fall edition. Also ads were placed in the Whig Standard's Fall and Spring Activity Guide. Linda also advertised the Catarauqui Canoe Club on Cogeco. Linda informed the members that the Board has decided not to put the names of the trip leaders in the ads only their phone numbers. We direct the attention to our website where all the information is posted.

e) Volunteers (Jim Lorimer): Jim thanked all volunteers for their continued support and assistance with trip leading, boathouse duty, behind the scenes activities and Board work. Jim also extended a Thank You to Jan Smith for the refreshments this evening. Jim and Linda conducted a draw with prizes as a recognition for all volunteers.

f) Instruction (Mary Buchanan): Presented by Linda Whitfield as Mary sent regrets. Four different types of instruction were offered by the Club this year. Ed Jezak did an Introduction to Canoeing from the boathouse of 6 two-hour sessions. Twelve people took part. Gail Pringle offered a 3 hour Introduction to Kayaking on 3 different Saturdays. Seven people attended these workshops. Dennis Burr delivered a 3 hour Seakayaking Stroke Improvement Workshop at the boathouse. Four people participated. Carolyn Bonta offered a Canoe Clinic at Frontenac Park which took a full day. The clinic was attended by six people. Mary would like to thank these four instructors who so generously gave their time to offer these clinics and workshops to our members.

g) Boathouse (Steve Manders): We added 10 more storage spaces to produce more revenue for a new roof. Furthermore lights have been repaired and motion sensors put in. Steve is also creating a Map room in the hall way. Comment from the floor: The forklift Steve designed is brilliant.

h) Commodore (Ed Jezak): Ed thanked the Board members retiring this year: Carolyn Bonta and Harry Burgstaller. A thank you was also extended to Jan Smith for the refreshments and to Sharon Ferguson who is leaving her job which will be taken over by Jo-Anne Beckett. The Saturday boathouse attendance needs to be looked into whether or not we need to employ a manager. Various people asked for information regarding the Rideau Canal. Ed directed the inquiries to Charles Hannah and Jim Lorimer. We helped some people out like the Boys and Girls Club by inviting them to come out to the boathouse and paddle on the river 6 Wednesdays between 10 and 12 noon. Thank you for coming out tonight.

4. Ratification motion (Not required, but customary for this club.)

That the members ratify all the acts and decisions made by the Board of Directors of the Catarauqui Canoe Club of Kingston on behalf of the club during their term of office which expires on 10 October, 2012. Moved: Gonny Moncur, Seconded: Janice Ley. CARRIED.

5. Election of Board of Directors (Carolyn Bonta) Ed moves into past commodore position. Mike Fisher is nominated for commodore. Nominations were invited from the floor for the position of

treasurer. No names were put forward, leaving one Board position vacant. Linda Whitfield nominates Jim Lorimer for the position of vice commodore. Jim accepts the position. No election process required. The acclaimed members of the Board of Directors for the year 2011-2012 are as follows:

Executive:

Commodore – Mike Fisher

Vice Commodore – Jim Lorimer

Secretary – Gonny Moncur

Treasurer - vacant

Past Commodore (non elected position) – Ed Jezak

Other Board Members:

Debbie Twiddy

Steve Manders

Linda Whitfield

Harry Burgstaller

Mary Buchanan

The new Board of directors takes office immediately. The commodore Mike Fisher thanked Ed Jezak for all his input and work as commodore. Mike also thanked Carolyn Bonta for all the efforts she has put in over the past 9 years in various positions.

6. Adjournment of formal Meeting Carolyn Bonta moved to adjourn. Seconded Rick McIvor. CARRIED.

Postlude: Presentation by Steve Manders: Sea-kayaking in Haida Gwaii and Johnstone Strait, BC.