

**MLRA Meeting Minutes**  
**Sept. 9th, 2008**  
**Location: Vokey Residence**  
**44 Fiddle Parkway**

**Present:** Camille Vokey, Sandra MacDonald, John Cascadden, Vicki Morton, Peter Jollimore, Amanda Layton-Malone, Ray Bowie

**Regrets:** Novelea Hamyln-Billard, Michelle Protheroe

**Minutes:** Taken and prepared by Sandra MacDonald

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>1. Approval of Agenda</b>	Approved	Approved
<b>2. Approval of Jun'08 Minutes</b>	Approved	Approved
<b>3. Treasurer's report</b>	Michelle absent – no updates	Michelle to keep updating the MLRA master list.
<b>4. Prospect Road Rec. Assoc.</b>	<p>Funding granted to MLRA (\$3400) for a dock to be put at the parkland site for a boat launch, Peter waiting to hear back from Bill Arbuckle, HRM Parks, on getting a used dock that they may have in storage.</p> <p>John would like to add a link on our site providing the Rec. Association's monthly meeting minutes for MLRA members to keep updated, if they so wish.</p>	<p>Peter will follow up on this</p> <p>Peter to request to have John added to the email distribution list for the Rec. Association.</p>
<b>5. Parkland</b>	Camille had a site meeting on	Camille to provide Patricia

<p><b>Development</b></p>	<p>Apr 24<sup>th</sup> with Patricia Macdonald, HRM parks planner.</p> <p>Reg Rankin called Camille and offered MLRA a \$1500-\$2000 donation parkland development project.</p> <p>Blair told Peter that there are funds available for creating an entrance to the parkland, but a survey crew needs to be sent out first to determine exact measurements of the lot.</p> <p>Funding granted to MLRA (\$3400) for a dock to be put at the parkland site for a boat launch.</p>	<p>with her finished report from info compiled from the Parkland meeting in May and will be meeting with Patricia Wed., Nov. 19<sup>th</sup> at 11am to get started on a plan. Until then, Patricia will be working on capital projects only as per her supervisor.</p> <p>Camille hasn't heard back from Ray, but his budget is currently frozen due to the impending election, Oct. 18<sup>th</sup> so she'll contact him some time after that.</p> <p>Peter following this project. Has told us that a survey crew has been in and he will try to get a report of their findings. Dan McGinn is still able to get a donated culvert for the entrance area.</p> <p>Peter waiting to hear back from Bill Arbuckle, HRM Parks, on getting a used dock that they may have in storage.</p>
<p><b>6. Nichol's Lake</b></p>	<p>Signage project had "fallen through the cracks" on the HRM side due to a miscommunication. John Cascadden, along with Bill Arbuckle (Supervisor, HRM Parks), figured this out and the</p>	<p>As of Sep'08, we're still waiting for signage, so Peter will call it in as a work order.</p>

	<p>project has since been re-opened.</p> <p>Peter has been informed by HRM that they will provide us with more gravel and crusher dust to continue work on the trail.</p>	<p>“Trail Day” is set for Sat. Oct. 18<sup>th</sup>, 9am-2pm. A notice will be sent out to MLRA members and the Scouts for help in spreading the crusher dust. Peter will also arrange for the dust to be delivered before that time.</p>
<b>7. Paving</b>	<p>Mon. Sep. 8<sup>th</sup>, prep work for paving Fiddle and Forest Glade has begun.</p> <p>Camille and John met with the engineer for project, Ray Daniels. Showed him the pics of the problem areas. Sept. 11<sup>th</sup>, Camille sent a follow-up email requesting details of the work warranty and questions regarding continued road maintenance.</p>	<p>Waiting to hear back from Ray.</p>
<b>8. MLRA Website</b>	<p>John continuing to create, maintain and update the site.</p>	<p>Executive members are to provide John with pics they have from MLRA events and archived documents to add to the site.</p>
<b>9. School Drop-Off</b>	<p>Melissa has created a replica “ONE WAY” traffic sign and Ray has installed it.</p> <p>Sep 8<sup>th</sup>, Ray requested directly with an RCMP officer about</p>	

	<p>watching the zone for proper usage by drivers. RCMP officer begrudgingly attended on morning of Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> for this purpose.</p> <p>Winter snow removal – both DOT and HRSB claim no responsibility for snow removal. DOT says its equipment is too big to clear the area and HRSB says that they have no money in budget for this extra snow removal.</p> <p>PRES School newsletter included our directions for use of the drop-off area, but not our diagram.</p>	<p>Ray to send another email to both HRSB and DOT requesting a more definitive answer regarding snow removal.</p>
<b>10. Newsletter</b>	<p>Early noted items for inclusion in Oct. newsletter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Scattered garbage concerns</li> <li>- Fireworks discharges after dark concerns</li> </ul> <p>Will publish next newsletter towards the end of Oct'08</p>	<p>Will discuss items for newsletter at our next meeting, Tue. Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>, at Peter's residence.</p>
<b>11. Sign Landscaping</b>	<p>Ray cleaned up branches and debris around the sign in August.</p> <p>Ray to donate a load of topsoil.</p> <p>Peter has access to free mulch</p>	<p>Ray and John to tarp an area around the sign, buy the soil from Holt's and arrange for delivery.</p> <p>Peter will arrange for</p>

	<p>from the HRM.</p> <p>Left over plants from the Plant Sale are at John's residence in a plot.</p>	<p>delivery.</p> <p>John has lined up Executive members to help with the planting.</p>
<p><b>12. Miscellaneous Items</b></p>	<p>MLRA Letterhead – John has posted a template on MLRA website for use by Executive.</p> <p>MLRA File Archive – John requested Executive to provide him with electronic copies of any past documents for website posting. Michelle charged with storing hard copies of these documents from Executive.</p> <p>S.M.E.A.C Form – has been posted on the website for use by Executive to track projects.</p> <p>MLRA Brochures – New website needs to replace the old address on the membership brochures.</p> <p>Mabel's Labels fundraiser – have raised \$16 to date. Cut off will be in October. PRES is also doing Mable's as their fall fundraiser.</p> <p>Scattered Garbage left over after pick-up days.</p> <p>Wilderness Protection Area –</p>	<p>Michelle will amend the brochure to reflect updates.</p> <p>A note will go out in Oct. newsletter regarding this.</p>

	<p>Five Bridges requested from us a letter of support. This has already been done, as per Peter.</p> <p>Upcoming Municipal and HRSB school board elections – MLRA as a whole, via Peter, will send individual MLRA members’ concerns, questions and comments to election candidates.</p> <p>MLRA postal box – John has had a key and has been checking mail, but will hand over key to Michelle at next meeting. No mail as of yet.</p> <p>Fireworks after dark</p> <p>Next MLRA meeting</p>	<p>Sandra to send email to MLRA members informing them of this.</p> <p>John to hand over mail key to Michelle.</p> <p>To be addressed in Oct. newsletter.</p> <p>Tue, Oct. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30pm, Peter Jollimore’s residence, Sunrise Court.</p>
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