

Friends of Ellice and Gadshill Swamps

Meeting July 9, 2014

7:00pm at Patti-Jo Lindner's house

Present: George Wicke, Bill Ellis, Bill Mackie, Robin Diehl, Tony Jackson, Denise Iszczuk, Patti-Jo Lindner, Bob Faulhafer, Richard Quesnel

Regrets: None

Motion to accept the minutes from Annual General Meeting 1st Bill Ellis

2nd Tony Jackson

Denise asked if there was anyone interested in a free membership for sitting on the committee for this year: 2014-2015.

We went around the table for introductions.

Nominations to the positions of Chair, Vice Chair, Treasurer, Secretary was directed by Bill Mackie.

Chair: Patti-Jo nominated. 1st Tony Jackson, 2nd Richard Quesnel

Patti-Jo agreed to let her name stand and with no other nominations she will be the Chair for 2014-15.

Vice Chair: Richard nominated. 1st Tony Jackson, 2nd Patti-Jo Lindner

Richard agreed to let his name stand and with no other nominations he will be the Vice Chair for 2014-15.

Treasurer: Tony nominated. 1st George Wicke, 2nd Richard Quesnel

Tony agreed to let his name stand and with no other nominations he will be the Treasurer for 2014-15.

Secretary: Denise nominated. 1st Bill Ellis, 2nd Tony Jackson

Denise agreed to let her name stand and with no other nominations she will be the Secretary for 2014-15.

Updates:

Dump Expansion: Bill Mackie – there have been discussions with MOE and Municipality; suggested contacting Perth East for an official update

Motion: To approach Perth East council to get the status of the dump expansion and ask where there are opportunities for input.

Action: Tony Jackson to contact Perth East regarding the motion

Wildflower Pollinator Projects completed by UTRCA: Tony Jackson – suggests we visit one the sites to get ideas on a potential project for committee/membership

Action: Bill Mackie to look into further. He will send information about the August 9th celebration at a site in Harrington as there will be people there to tour the trail and building. There will also be a BBQ.

Wood Duck Boxes: Tony Jackson – suggests we think about attending a talk by Alfie and also viewing a You Tube video called “ Tell me about the birds & the bees by ALUS”.

ALUS workshop in Norfolk – Tony Jackson Motion to send and pay the registration cost for 2 delegates from the committee to the ALUS Workshop. 1st Patti-Jo 2nd Bill Ellis

Newsletters – Denise – suggests 4 newsletters produced corresponding to seasons/meetings. September, November, February, May

Thin out Pines – possible project – make rabbit hutches out of dead wood; it is possible to hand saw the trees down by ourselves; Bill to confirm that UTRCA does not require special training or need to be present.

Hats – Bill Ellis – brought in hats. Bill will manage the hats including the order form, money and pick-ups for the hats. The logo is in the system of Hishon Custom (379 Huron St, Stratford) and Committee members are welcome to order anything with the logo on it. Patti-Jo purchased a coat with the logo. For ordering, people will be given the membership contact and orders will be passed on to Bill by Denise.

Motion: Pay Hishon Custom \$354.59 for Hat order. 1st Denise Iszczuk 2nd George Wicke

Next meeting:

September 24, 2014 – 7:00pm - Hunt Club- Ideas for workshop??

October 29, 2014