



**Approved- FOSCR Annual General Meeting Minutes
December 8, 2021
Brownstone's Sports Lounge and Restaurant**

Attendees: Terry Burrell, Kris Lee, Ken Hall, Brenda Lorenz, Archie Kerr, John Timar, Shaun Bisson, Natasha Pozega

Guest: Melissa Levi, SCRCA Education

Regrets: Peter Westfall, Craig Griffiths

Actions Arising

- Craig to email Darrel about phrag at Roberta Stewart Wetland near White Bread-
carry forward.
- Members to review Habitat and How Far We've Come Signs and provide final
coments by **December 17, 2021**
- Shaun and Ken to develop ad for Bluewater Anglers Salmon Derby Tabloid by
January 4, 2022. Natasha will connect with BWA to confirm ad space and arrange
payment.
- Natasha to circulate event details and submit booth application for Mermaids and
Mariners event.
- Remaining events and discussion of new members tabled to next meeting.

Meeting Called to Order at 6:44pm.

1. Review and approval of Minutes from September 28, 2021.

Items arising from the mintues:

- ✓ Craig to connect with Lambton Wildlife with Brenda and Terry about Bird Friendly
Cities – *complete*- Brenda is now on the committee.
- ✓ Ken to talk to Shaun about sharing the the new AOC video and the E-Newsletter
through IEC and other channels – *complete.*
- ✓ Craig to share the Wawanosh Phragmites Management Plan with group- *complete.*

- ✓ Archie to attempt to repair the damaged banners- *complete* – the banners were repaired, but the last line (with website url) is lost on each sign.
- ✓ Kris and Shaun to develop 3-part newsletter series on Theodore TOO- *complete*- the articles are posted on the website and promoted monthly in the E-Newsletters. Article 1 included in the November E-Newsletter, Article 2 in December, and the 3rd January. Well done Kris!
- ✓ Archie to contact Sarnia-Lambton Tourism for details on attendance at the Theodore TOO events.
 - August 26th – 9:00am to 6:00pm – **Mooretown Dock – over 3200 visitors came down to see Theodore**
 - August 28th & 29th – 9:00am to 6:00pm – **Sarnia Centennial Park - over 8500 visitors the first day and over 5300 visitors the second day**
 - August 31st & September 1st – 9:00am to 6:00pm – **Grand Bend Pier – Due to storm, it significantly impacted the water depths in the Grand Bend channel and they could not accommodate Theodore so he stayed in Sarnia a few extra days**
 - September 3rd – 9:00am to 6:00pm – **Mooretown Dock – Over 2100 visitors came down to see Theodore**
- ✓ Kris to follow-up with CK-PUC- *complete*- Wallaceburg does not want a sign, but have suggested that the FOSCR participate in the ribbon cutting ceremony when the new WWTP opens.
- ✓ Archie to book dinner reservation for December AGM- *complete*
- Craig to email Darrel about phrag at Roberta Stewart Wetland near White Bread- *carry forward*.

Motion to approve the minutes of the meeting from September 28, 2021 as amended.

- Treasurer’s report date updated to September 28, 2021.

Moved by Kris Lee

Seconded by Shaun Bisson

Motion carried.

2. Treasurer’s Report – Terry

Terry circulated a copy of the current Bank Record. The investment account balance is \$15,026.06 (Scotiabank), and the bank account is \$26,348.31. The total funds available are \$41,374.37.

Terry’s understanding is that funds do not need to be spent by March 31, 2022.

Motion to approve the December 8, 2021 Treasurer’s Report as presented.

Moved by Ken Hall

Seconded by Brenda Lorenz

Motion carried.

3. SCRCA Education Program Update- Melissa Levi

- Both supported education programs were converted to a virtual format for the 2020-21 school year.
- Phosphorus 101 program is new and teaches about the activities occurring locally and their impacts downstream relating to phosphorus management. This program includes one day of in class learning, and one day of creative problem solving. This program targets grades 9-12.
- RiverRAP program delivered using the EnviroScapes tabletop activity and targets grades 7&8. This was delivered virtually as a livestream. High demand last year.
- In class programs set to return in February 2022 unless impacted by future covid restrictions.
- Melissa formally thanked the Friends of St. Clair River for their ongoing support.
- Friends expressed interest in supporting new program ideas as well as programs targeted towards college level students.

4. Elections - All

Archie Kerr nominates Craig Griffiths as Chair. Craig's interest in remaining as Chair expressed by email correspondence.

Terry Burrell moves that nominations be closed.

Motion to elect Craig Griffiths as the Chair.

Moved by Kris Lee

Seconded by Shaun Bisson

Motion carried.

Brenda Lorenz nominates Archie Kerr as Vice Chair. Archie accepts the nomination.

Terry Burrell moves that nominations be closed.

Motion to elect Archie Kerr as the Vice Chair

Moved by Brenda Lorenz

Seconded by Terry Burrell

Motion carried.

Archie Kerr nominates Terry Burrell as Treasurer. Terry accepts the nomination.

Natasha Pozega moves that nominations be closed.

Motion to elect Terry Burrell as the Treasurer.

Moved by Archie Kerr

Seconded by Brenda Lorenz

Motion carried.

Archie Kerr nominates Natasha Pozega as Secretary. Natasha accepts the nomination.

Shaun Bisson moves that nominations be closed.

Motion to elect Natasha Pozega as the Secretary

Moved by Archie Kerr

Seconded by Brenda Lorenz

Motion carried.

5. **River Signs** – All

- Members to review Habitat and How Far We've Come Signs and provide final comments by **December 17, 2021**
- Guthrie park to be added as 4th project on Habitat sign
- Members asked to brainstorm titles for both signs.
- Members asked to brainstorm kid friendly scetion for each sign (if possible).
- Natasha to request AOCs map in higher resolution for print.
- Update bottom slogan to "...making progress AND work continues today."
- Increase font size for table captions.

6. **Events 2022** – Natasha

Bluewater Anglers Salmon Derby Tabloid

2022 ad prices are \$100 for 1/8 page, \$200 for ¼ page, \$400 for ½ page, \$800 for full page. The Salmon Derby Tabloid circulation is 4,500 copies throughout southwestern Ontario from mid-February through early May.

Ad to be developed by January 4, 2021 by Shuan Bisson with support from Ken Hall. Natasha to express interst to BWA and arrange payment.

Motion to spend \$200+tax on a ¼ page ad in the Bluewater Anglers Salmon Derby Tabloid.

Moved by Shaun Bisson

Seconded by John Timar

Motion carried.

Ad to be developed by January 4, 2021 by Shuan Bisson with support from Ken Hall.
Natasha to express interest to BWA and arrange payment.

Mermaids and Mariners Booth - August 20, 2022

Motion to spend \$100+tax on a booth at the August 20, 2022 Mermaids and Mariners event.

Moved by Kris Lee

Seconded by Brenda Lorenz

Motion carried.

Natasha to circulate event details and submit booth application.

Discussion on remaining events tabled to next meeting:

- Sarnia Waterski Show
- BWA Kids Training Day (May)
- Optimist Fishing Derby
- BWA Salmon Derby
- Children's Water Festival
- Emergency Response Day
- Organize our own event (tree planting or shoreline clean-up)
- Great Canadian Shoreline Cleanup
- Other Sarnia-Lamton Tourism events related to water
- Aamjiwnaang Pow Wow
- Aamjiwnaang Environment Days
- Walpole Island events

7. **New Members**- tabled to next meeting

8. **Other Business**- None

9. **Next Meeting Date**

The next meeting will be held at the call of the Chair in February 2022.

10. **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm.