

JOCKO BEAUCAGE COMMUNITY SERVICES INC.

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Minutes--Annual General Meeting—January 27, 2019

1. Including Board members, there were 14 people present. Quorum established.

2. Opening: JBCSI Treasurer Christine Leonhardt called the meeting to order at 2:07 pm.

3. The members of the Board were introduced:

Vice-President: Jennifer Morrison (absent)
Treasurer: Christine Leonhardt

- 4. Summary of past year's activities: The Board elected in 2017 began its work on September 1. By the end of November, four members had resigned, each for his or her own reasons. Catherine Pike was appointed as Kitchen Director, and the four remaining Board members continued to manage day-to-day operations. A Special Meeting of residents was held on April 5 to explain JBCSI's financial situation and the reasons for the Board's recommendation that the corporation be dissolved. A resident, Rick Vezina, was then given the opportunity to talk about the possibility of replacing the Board with one that would be more successful at keeping the Community Centre open. On April 17, a Special Meeting of residents was held to vote on a resolution to dissolve JBCSI, and two Board members resigned. This meeting was aborted, and the vote was cancelled, so that Rick Vezina could introduce a temporary board and talk about some of its plans. On May 15, the Treasurer resigned and a Special Meeting was held to vote in the temporary board. An Annual General Meeting was called for June 12 to elect a permanent Board, but guorum was not established and therefore a new permanent Board was not installed. On July 23, the remaining, duly elected original Board member, Vice-President Jennifer Morrison, appointed Christine Leonhardt to the position of Treasurer so that day-to-day operations could continue until the 2019 AGM.
- 5. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on August 13, 2017, were read, and the membership was asked if there were any errors or omissions. There being none, Christine declared the minutes approved as read.
- 6. Annual Reports:

<u>Treasurer:</u> Our net income for 2017 was -\$10,155; for 2018, -\$6,005. As in previous years, our expenses continue to exceed our income. To reduce heating costs, the oil-fueled boiler was replaced with a natural gas combination boiler which was installed by Leo Bos Jr. of D & H Mechanical at no charge. In April and August, Nipissing First Nation took over the Eastlink and

HydroOne accounts, as was planned in the Memorandum of Understanding with NFN regarding the fire department amalgamation. Further aspects of the arrangement have not yet been implemented. The bank balance at the end of 2017 was \$7,586.15; at the end of 2018, \$2,039.15.

From September to December of 2017, four Brunches and a spaghetti dinner were offered, resulting in a donation of \$2,413.87 to JBCSI. Two community events--a Halloween party organized by Nicole Porter and a kids' Christmas party organized by Darlene Cowper--were also held, entertaining 20 and 29 children, respectively. Weekly Zumba classes were discontinued because of a lack of participants. In 2017, hall rental brought in \$2,465; the hall was used about 115 times.

In 2018, fundraisers brought in \$2,879 and included three Brunches, a pancake breakfast, and an extremely successful Christmas dinner. A new approach taken by Lilly Tverdal—asking local businesses to donate supplies for the dinner—resulted in very low costs, especially considering the extent of the Christmas buffet. Darlene Cowper organized the first kids' yard sale in September. At a meeting of volunteers on October 18, many ideas for activities were shared and some events were selected and tentatively scheduled. Mel Butineau held two vendor sales, and donated \$500 of the first sale's proceeds to JBCSI and \$500 of the second sale's proceeds to the kids' Christmas party. Mel also organized workshops. Hall rental brought in \$1,015; the hall was used about 70 times.

Weekly yoga sessions were offered [by Michèle Chrétien] throughout this period. Potluck lunchtime socials for seniors, retired persons and other interested adults began in November and are scheduled for the first and third Thursday monthly. After lunch, attendees can take part in activities of interest to them (such as cards, darts, or chatting). Mandy Perissinotto is taking steps to arrange get-togethers for musicians and singers.

Lilly Tverdal requested and received donations of paint and painting supplies from local businesses, and intends to organize a team of volunteers to paint the hall. She has already painted the exterior doors. Rick Vezina arranged for the yard to be graded by Aecon and the sign by the highway to be repaired after it was damaged in a wind storm. A number of hall-maintenance items were identified.

The Kids' Christmas Party, organized by Tammy Lent, was attended by 46 children who had lots of fun.

All of the hard-working volunteers are greatly appreciated.

Miscellaneous information: (a) the official address of the Community Centre/File Hall is 1140 Jocko Point Road, although the 1082 address is in general use; (b) Nipissing First Nation will not advertise our events on their red signs, but will include them in their newsletter upon request; (c) NFN will allow us to host bingo games, but only if there are no cash prizes (gift cards are allowed); (d) building an outdoor skating rink at the Community Centre would increase our liability insurance premium by \$290, and would also affect NFN's liability and property insurance, and should therefore not be undertaken without their approval.

7. New Business:

- (a) Sale of assets. Some equipment that could be sold was identified, but no action will be taken at this time.
- (b) Liquor licence. A letter was sent to Chief Scott McLeod on December 6 asking if Nipissing First Nation would mind if we applied for a permanent liquor sales permit; an answer has not yet been received. This was an important step, given that the building now belongs to NFN and we released our interest in the land. A two-year liquor sales permit costs \$925.00. No action will be taken at this time.
- (c) Movie nights. The film rights representative¹ in Canada offers an annual copyright licence to show one movie per month to a group of 20 to 60 people at a cost of \$875.00 plus tax. No action will be taken at this time.
- (d) The Auxiliary will make a decision regarding its continued existence.
- (e) Recommendation to create a community (or "neighbourhood") association and dissolve JBCSI. As an Ontario corporation, JBCSI must respect relevant legislation and regulations; maintain detailed and thoroughly documented accounting records and keep everything for at least six years; and file income tax returns. Incorporation was required when we owned the building and took out loans, but those criteria no longer apply. A community association has a simpler structure, simpler bylaws, simpler bookkeeping requirements, and lower insurance premiums. The community can itself define how to organize to support the Community Centre (fundraising will still be required to pay the bills). The Board recommends that a nonprofit community association be created to look after the Community Centre, and that JBCSI be dissolved.

Motion AGM-27-01-2019--Motion A. Moved by Linda Duval and seconded by Eve Bos, that a community association be created to manage the Community Centre. Carried unanimously.

Motion AGM-27-01-2019—Motion B. Moved by Tammy Bos and seconded by Catherine Pike, that the JBCS corporation be dissolved, with the vote on the resolution to dissolve to take place at a Special Meeting on February 13. Carried unanimously.

Those present agreed that Christine Leonhardt will see to the dissolution when the resolution to dissolve has been approved. In accordance with the bylaws, all JBCSI assets will be transferred to the new association as part of the dissolution process. The new association will have to negotiate its own lease with NFN.

Elections: In light of the pending dissolution of JBCSI, those present agreed that elections for a
full Board should not take place. There must, however, be two signing authorities.
 Motion AGM-27-01-2019—Motion C. Moved by Rolande Lacombe and seconded by Denise
Edmunds, that Christine Leonhardt be elected as Treasurer, and named as signing authority.
Carried unanimously.

¹ Audio Cine Film is the film rights representative in Canada that issues copyright licences from many film studios that allow all types of organizations to present films within a public performance environment without infringing upon the Canadian Copyright Act. www.acf-film.com

Motion AGM-27-01-2019—**Motion D.** Moved by Leo Bos Jr. and seconded by Rolande Lacombe, that Catherine Pike be elected as Kitchen Director, and named as signing authority. Carried unanimously.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 3:15 pm.

Note: *General Consent*. Business can be expedited greatly by avoiding the formality of motions and voting in routine business and on questions of little importance, the chair assuming general (unanimous) consent until someone objects. It does not necessarily mean that every member is in favor. Thus, in the case of approving the minutes, the chair inquires if there are any corrections, and, if one is suggested, it is made: when no correction [or no further correction] is suggested, the chair says: "There being no corrections [or no further corrections] the minutes stand approved." While routine and minor matters can be rapidly disposed of in this way, if at any time objection is made with reasonable promptness, the chair ignores what has been done in that case even if he has announced the result, and requires a regular vote.