

HWRS Annual Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2018 - 8:00 pm

Brunello Estates Clubhouse Board Room

Members attending: John Cascadden-chair, Scott Guthrie-Vice Chair, Andrew Giles- Secretary Treasurer, Tom Robertson, Bob Angus, Frank Johnston, Murray Power, Ken Donnelly and Reg Rankin

Guests attending: Maureen Yeadon

Note on paid membership for the next following year 2018-2019. All 9 above attending members paid their \$5.00 membership fee and in addition, a new membership fee from our guest Maureen Yeadon for a total of \$ 50.00 collected.

1.The president and chair of the Society, Mr Cascadden brought the meeting, as duly advertised, to order. Motion by Scott Guthrie seconded by Murray Power to approve the agenda, as previously circulated, with one addition; namely, the consideration of providing a short meeting of the HWRS immediately following the scheduled CMC Board Meetings.

The above motion, it was generally agreed, upon its approval, would mean, without the need of its addition as an agenda item, the approval of the proposed short meetings of the Society to immediately follow the CMC Board meetings.

Motion carried.

2. Motion by Murray Power seconded by Scott Guthrie to approve the minutes, as circulated, of the Annual General Meeting of May 18,2017 together with the Society's Special Board Meeting of August 31,2017.

Motion carried.

3.Business arising from minutes: It was raised at the last annual meeting the possibility of arranging for business identification cards for Board members. It was agreed , the follow up from staff on this item would be taken up under Agenda item 6 : The ratification of a proposed (business) logo for the Society).

4.Andrew Giles, Secretary-Treasurer, presented the Society's 2017-18 Financial Statements as was previously circulated. It was noted that there were no financial transactions during this year other than a deposit of \$75. representing 2017-18 membership fees. The account has been moved to Credit Union Atlantic, Tantallon Branch. The bank balance as of March 31, 2018 was \$ 1, 744.78.

Motion by Andrew Giles seconded by Scott Guthrie to accept the financial statements for 2017-18.

Motion Carried

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5. Under the topic ' Extended Producer Responsibility (EPR) ' Mr. Ken Donnelly provided an extensive account of the origins of EPR. Together with the evident growing support across the nation, including N.S. , for certain of the remaining Provinces, to step up in the furtherance in expanding the EPR program to include other products for the fiscal responsibility of the Producer at source .And , by that approach , reduce its associated financial costs. Currently, these processing costs continue to be impacted, by default, to our municipalities- to their taxpayers. And without choice in the matter, it is the Municipalities that are legislatively charged by the province with the stewardship of the whole spectrum of solid waste disposal. It is noted that municipalities do not have the legislative authority to implement EPR – it is only the Province. Following discussion,

Motion by Scott Guthrie seconded by Murray Power for the Society to express to the Premier and Minister of Environment the Society's strong support for the Province to introduce legislation and its regulations at first opportunity . To the broadening of the EPR program and thereby effect a leveling of the associated product reuse/reduce/disposal costs from the limited coffers of the unduly impacted municipalities to the Producers ,itself, of their manufactured products.

(This called for provincial implementation is now in place covering the majority of Canadians. N.S., of all provinces, should not be seen as laggards but rather to maintain our historic reputation as first class leadership in this field.)

Motion carried.

6. Motion by Andrew Giles seconded by Frank Johnston to ratify the prepared written Society's position on the Proposed expansion of the New Era Compost facility, as was approved by the executive of the Society, to be delivered to the recently held HRM Public Hearing (March/18) by our Chair John Cascadden. (A copy of which was previously circulated.)

Motion Carried

7. Ken Donnelly provided a graphic presentation on various logos prepared for the members' consideration. Motion by Frank Johnston seconded by Andrew Giles for the Society to approve the staff recommendation (as same was displayed in the upper left corner of a presentation showing a umber of options.)

Motion carried

8.Under Election of Society Directors for the following year 2018-19:

Moved by Ken Donnelly the following nominations for Directors: John Cascadden, Scott Guthrie, Andrew Giles, Murray Power, Peter Lund, Tom Robertson, Frank Johnston, Bob Angus and Maureen Yeadon.

No further nominations after a third call: Motion by Ken Donnelly to close nominations. Carried. All Directors acclaimed.

Following the election of Directors: Moved by Andrew Giles the nomination of John Cascadden for chair. No further nominations; Moved by Andrew Giles for nominations to close. Carried. Chair Cascadden acclaimed.

Moved by Bob Angus the nomination of Scott Guthrie for Vice Chair. No further nominations. Motion by Ken Donnelly to close nominations. Carried. Vice Chair Guthrie acclaimed. Moved by Frank Johnston the nomination of Andrew Giles for Secretary-Treasurer. No further nominations; Andrew Giles acclaimed as Sec-Treas.

Motion of Adjournment by Andrew Giles. Carried

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