

Late Winter Update February 2013



Photo by Mary Beth Hartill



Winter 2013 greetings from
SLAPOA President Jen Dewar

The snow is still on the ground but the birds are starting to return from the south, and our thoughts are starting to turn to the warmer days ahead of us. Even though it's still winter, your Association remains active and has been monitoring the goings on in the Sand Lake community. Here are a few of the items we would like our membership to be aware of:

- A Future Council Composition Advisory Committee will be set up shortly to examine the future number of councillors that will make up Kearney Council. As you may be aware, the SLAPOA was a large supporter of eliminating the ward system. In the past we elected 2 councillors for each ward, which meant we could not vote for the 4 councillors in the two other non-Proudfoot wards. The new system means we can vote for any councillors, regardless of where they reside, plus the Mayor. The proposed committee will be examining whether we continue to need 6 councillors, or if we would be better served with a lesser number. If you have some time, and would like to volunteer to sit on this committee, we have included the application form. You will need to have the application sent in before March 14, 2013. Send to: brenda.fraser@townofkearney.com

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• Official Plan

There is very little to report on with regards to progress on the Official Plan (OP). Kearney held a Public Meeting last fall to ask for public input on the proposed OP, which was quite well attended. Since then, Kearney has decided to defer any further workshops or discussion on the proposed OP until they receive comments from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing on the proposed OP they have submitted.

• Duck Lake Situation

SLAPOA has participant standing in the OMB hearing. SLAPOA board member Dave Matson attended a council meeting on Fri. Feb. 1, 2013. A resolution was moved by Councillor Dingwall and seconded by Councillor Ball with regard to the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing's Consultation on the Proposed Vacant Land Condominium Duck Lake Development.

The Resolution:
WHEREAS the Duck Lake development proposal was in abeyance with the Ontario Municipal Board since 2003;
AND WHEREAS the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing in its letter of July 09, 2012 has identified numerous issues/requirements that remain outstanding;
AND WHEREAS the Official Plan of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney has been revised on two (2) occasions and is presently in the process of being revised a third time along with numerous Zoning By-law changes;

AND WHEREAS that no road or road access agreement exists to either development location on Duck Lake thus leaving it essentially land locked; NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney wishes to advise the developer, the Ontario Municipal Board and the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing that while the Town wishes to encourage economic development, we would be remiss if we did not advise the developer of our continuing concerns provided in the three (3) appeals before the Ontario Municipal Board;

AND FURTHER that this resolution in reference to Ontario Municipal Board File PL031171 be forwarded to Kearney's legal Counsel, to 4081633 Canada Inc., their Counsel, Ontario Municipal Board Vice Chair Steven Stefanko and Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing representatives involved in this file.

(iv) Resolution re: Duck Lake By-laws 2003-39 and 2003-40

WHEREAS By-laws 2003-39 and 2003-40 are By-laws enacted with regard to the Duck Lake Development;

AND WHEREAS these By-laws may contravene our present day Official Plan and Zoning By-law and potentially allow for the development of substandard structures, site plan and environmental controls; Page 5 of 6

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Council of the Corporation of the Town of Kearney requests Staff to review these By-laws in comparison to present day requirements and to provide a report to Council on areas of concern and violation of current rules and regulations;

AND FURTHER that Staff are directed to obtain a legal opinion with regard to rescinding or changing these By-laws as these By-laws constitute a major part of the Duck Lake Ontario Municipal Board case (PL 031171) now before the Board.

Passed Unanimously

Your executive is currently investigating ways to make it easier for members to pay their annual dues on line. We hope to activate shortly.



Queen Elizabeth II Silver Jubilee Medal

Kearney Mayor Paul Tomlinson is now a recipient of the award.

Congratulations Your Worship.

- Kearney 19th Annual Dog sled Race held on February 9th and 10th was a huge success, with 70 teams of dogs and mushers coming from all parts of the Province, as well as Québec, and the USA. Check out the pictures at: <http://www.kearneydog-sled.com/photo.htm>



The SLAPOA would like to thank Andrew and Takako Dewar, who have donated a brand new BBQ to the Association.

We say brand new because the ones we have been using in the past have always been on their last legs.

The Dewars are moving back to Japan next month, but will be returning in August for a visit.

Mail in your \$35 membership renewal today
 Make cheque payable to:
 Sand Lake Area Property Owners' Association
 We incur expenses year round,
 an early response would be appreciated
 This membership covers Jan to Dec. 2013



In Memory of Bob Alles

In his 90th year Bob passed away just before Christmas. He was a long time member of the association. Many of us remember Bob for the Trampoline on his Buckley's Beach property, and sailing at the Sand Lake Sailboat Race. Condolences go out to all the family.



Thanks for your membership in the Sand Lake Area Property Owners' Association
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