

SOS 1000 ISLANDS MEETING MINUTES

DATE: Tuesday, October 8th, 2019

LOCATION: Bud's On the Bay

PRESENT: Tom Scott, Steve Hatch, Neil and Gail O'Hare, Sharon and John VanSchyndel, Gerald Baker, Helen Cooper and Nathalie Landry.

REGRETS: Stéphan Senécal, Gaétan Grondin, Matthew Charlesworth, Roy Letts, Paul Biezing, Brian Price

Meeting called to order at 7:05 p.m.

⚓ **Previous Meeting Minutes**

Motion to approve minutes from September 10th, 2019:

Motion: Gerald Baker, 2nd Neil and Gail O'Hare

Approved

⚓ **Financial Report Steve**

○ SOS Bank balance as of September 30, 2019	\$6,264.86
○ Dave Cooper Memorial Fund project balance	\$2,837.24
○ Adjusted SOS bank balance	\$3,427.62

We sold our surplus mannequins for \$75.00 and we purchased them for \$325.00.

We still need to account for our t-shirts and tuques money.

As for our tokens money, Sharon VanSchyndel will get the money from Dive shops in Ottawa and Stéphan Senécal will get the money from H2O on Friday.

Motion to reimburse Stéphan Senécal the amount of \$110.58 paid for our thank you lunch with our Dive Ambassador, Rebecca Sharp, together with Nathalie Landry and Tom Scott on September 27, 2019.

Motion: Sharon VanSchyndel, 2nd Steve Hatch

Approved

⚓ **Mooring Report – Stéphan Senécal**

- **Navwarn:** Still no news yet.
- **Lillie Parsons:** the 1st and 2nd line need to be replaced. Need to remove fishing hooks from the line.
- **Fireworks mooring barge:** the agreement have been signed by Jennifer Bush and no return from the City – **Action Item: Steve Hatch.**



Token Project

- **Dive Ambassador:** Tom Scott is currently compiling the data from the surveys made by Rebecca Sharp this past summer and he will produce a final report to be presented at the City of Brockville. – **Action Item: Tom Scott.**

Rebecca Sharp was absent 3 of the 5 weekends in August for personal reasons and Tall Ship Festival. She surveys more than last year (600) and out of the 600 surveys: 94.7% of divers had 1 or more meal, 87% stayed at least 1 night and they were more people from less than 100 km. Kanata Dive Store were their many times.

- **Tokens:** We are still working on the sale of the tokens for this year.



Sculpture Park

- Tom Scott is still working on the pamphlet about Save Ontario Shipwrecks protocols (Marine Heritage). – **Action Item Tom Scott**



Dave Cooper Memorial Fund

- Current project balance \$2,837.24
- 2nd plaque – The steel plaque is done and needs to be displayed on the stone. - **Action Item: Steve Hatch and Stéphan Sénécal**
- We need to purchase concrete sealer to seal the 2 stones at Centeen Park.

We paid \$514.15 for the Stainless Steel plaque from Dave Cooper Memorial Fund.



T-shirt and sculpture parks logo

- **Update on T-shirts and other items:** We received the tuques and they will sell for \$25.00/ea. We gave 20 to Helen Cooper so she can sell them at her store.



Updates:

- **Prescott steps:** Helen Cooper dealt with John Ratcliff from Ottawa Chapter for taking over. They were talking about doing a BBQ in the spring. Helen Cooper received an email from the City of Prescott regarding change rooms and washrooms.
- **POW invoice paid?** We discussed this issue and we decided that Tom Scott would write an email to Matthew Charlesworth regarding the payment of our invoice. – **Action Item: Tom Scott**
- **Quote on external harddrive** John VanSchyndel will come back to us with more infos. – **Action Item: John VanSchyndel**



New Business:

- **Rockport access:** We discussed this issued at the meeting and it was decided

that we could go to the City of Rockport meeting and present them with a similar report as the one for Brockville and discussed possibilities with them.

- **Aquarium:** Do volunteers Santa members reach out to Tom Scott. Scuba instructions in the dive tank, Santa for the Holidays (3 Saturdays during December), looking for more divers for the team, video covering the sculptures' park.
- **Buttons:** Helen Cooper mentioned that it could be beneficial for SOS Thousand Islands Chapter to have buttons made that we can sell for \$1.00 so businesses could identify the divers. Maybe ask Ketchum to make us buttons. Maybe have a few different buttons to sell? To be discussed more at next meeting.
- **Nomination of SOS – Thousand Islands Chapter for the 60th Awards of Excellence Gala** – Thursday, November 7, 2019 at the Brockville Memorial Centre from 5:30pm-10:30pm. The Gala gives us 2 tickets at \$154.81 each. We decided, at the meeting, that all board members (Tom Scott, Steve Hatch, Stéphan Senécal and Nathalie Landry) and their spouses should be present and that SOS Thousand Islands Chapter would pay for 4 tickets more.

Motion to disburse \$619.24 to purchase another 4 tickets (154.81/each) for all board members and their spouses.

Motion: John VanSchyndel, 2nd Neil and Gail O'Hare

Approved

- Chad Davis from City of Brockville asked SOS Thousand Islands Chapter to draft a sign for Centeen Park and the City will pay for it.
- Helen Cooper will be part of the Brockville Christmas Parade – November 30, 2019 and asked if SOS Thousand Islands Chapter would like to be part of it with her. She will need our banners and some volunteers. – **Action Item Helen Cooper.**



Next Meeting: November 12th, 2019.



Adjournment: 8:36 p.m.

Motion: Helen Cooper