

## SOS 1000 ISLANDS MEETING MINUTES

**DATE:** Tuesday, March 22<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**LOCATION:** Barley Mow, Brockville

**PRESENT:** Stéphan Senécal, Stephen Hatch, Dominique Gingras, Helen Cooper, Dave Clee and Nathalie Landry.

**REGRETS:** Gaétan Grondin, Neil and Gail O'Hare and Sharon and John Van Schyndel

**Motion to approve the agenda for March 22<sup>th</sup>, 2022:**

**Motion:** Dominique Gingras, 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Cooper **Approved**

**Motion to approve the minutes of December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021:**

**Motion:** Stephen Hatch, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dominique Gingras **Approved**

**Meeting called to order at 7:12 p.m.**

### ⚓ **Election for 2021 Board Executive of 1000 Islands Chapter**

Nathalie Landry did not receive any nominations for the positions.

At the meeting, Nathalie Landry nominated Stephen Hatch for Treasurer, Dominique Gingras nominated Stéphan Senécal for President, Stéphan Senécal nominated Helen Cooper for Vice-President and Helen Cooper nominated Nathalie Landry for Secretary. All of them accepted their position.

President: - Stéphan Senécal

Vice-President: - Helen Cooper

Treasurer: - Stephen Hatch

Moorings Coordinator - Stéphan Senécal

Secretary: - Nathalie Landry

### ⚓ **Financial Report – Stephen Hatch**

- **SOS Bank Balance as of December 31<sup>th</sup>, 2021** **\$12,796.87**

### ⚓ **Report from the Board – Stephen Hatch**

- **Insurance issues:** The Board decided to go under the OUC (Ontario Underwater Council) umbrella this year. This means that every member will be under OUC and

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that SOS will pay for it. Members should receive an email in a few weeks from OUC regarding their new membership.

- **SOS Website issues:** Still got issue with membership and no ship store. Dominique Gingras is still searching for a programmer.
- **Update on pamphlet about Save Ontario Shipwrecks protocols (Marine Heritage):** No news from Durrell Martin.
- **Mooring stickers:** Not heard anything since last year.

## ⚓ **Mooring Report – Stéphan Senécal**

We didn't do nothing yet but we are ready to put them on the river as soon as weather permitted. The only thing that we need to do is grease the shackles before putting them in the water.

- **Muscalonge:**
  - **South:** It was discussed to work with the underwater drill on the mooring block.

## ⚓ **Token Project**

- **Update:** We sold 809 tokens last year. Expenses were at \$1,865.58. The new color this year will be black and white. We discussed how many tokens to purchase this year between 1,000 and 1,200 and decided to go with 1,200 **Action item**  
**Stephen Hatch**

**Motion to order 1,200 tokens for the 2022 season:**

**Motion: Dominique Gingras, 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Cooper** **Approved**

- **Split with the City:** The split of the money from our last year tokens' revenue, with the City of Brockville, as per our agreement, is \$2,707.71 **Action item**  
**Stephen Hatch**

**Motion to draft a cheque in the amount of \$2,707.71 to the City of Brockville:**

**Motion: Dave Clee, 2<sup>nd</sup> Nathalie Landry** **Approved**

## ⚓ **Chapter Store**

- **Update on chapter merchandise sales for 2021:**
  - **T-shirts:** Helen Cooper sold 26 t-shirts and SOS sold 12 for a total of 38 t-shirts sold.
  - **Slates:** SOS Dive Ambassador (Jacob Eaton) sold 87, ABUCS SCUBA (Helen Cooper) sold 42, EPSO (Dominique Gingras, Mario Edith and Francis

Mineault) sold 25, Dive Tech Training Center (Dan Humble) sold 10, for a total of: 164 slates sold.

- **Toques:** ABUCS SCUBA (Helen Cooper) sold 3.
- **Update on chapter merchandise inventory for 2022:**
  - **T-shirts:** We have 83 in stock at ABUCS SCUBA (Helen Cooper) shop on Water Street in Brockville.
  - **Slates:** SOS 1000 Islands has 19 in stock at Nathalie Landry's house, 5 of them are with Stephen Hatch, ABUCS SCUBA (Helen Cooper) has 8, Dive Tech Training Center (Dan Humble) has 10 and EPSO (Dominique Gingras, Mario Edith and Francis Mineault) has 25. We discussed and decided to order 200 slates since they are selling well.

**Motion to order 200 slates for the 2022 season:**

**Motion: Dominique Gingras, 2<sup>nd</sup> Helen Cooper**

**Approved**

- **Toques:** Tom Scott has 10, Nathalie Landry has 66 in stock. EPSO (Dominique Gingras, Mario Edith and Francis Mineault) Dominique Gingras said that EPSO will take 10 of them for the shop and pay upfront.

We discussed design for T-shirt and decided to do a contest among divers to find something new.



## Reynolds Park

- **Update on city plans for 2022:** City of Brockville is going into it this year with the submitted design of last year.
- **Update on modifications to aluminum steps:** We discussed the maintenance of the aluminum steps together with some upgrades that we need to do considering the traffic they see. It was decided that an amount of a \$1,000.00 maximum would be allowed to those upgrades. Stephen Hatch and Stéphan Sénécal will be asked for some submissions and they will work together to modify them.

**Motion to approved an amount of a maximum of \$1,000.00 for upgrade of the aluminum steps:**

**Motion: Dominique Gingras, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dave Clee**

**Approved**



## Sculpture Park

- **Update on sculpture for 2022:** 3 sculptures need to be sunken in the water into the sculpture Park this year and they all are in Stephen Hatch' garage presently.
- **Sculpture Day, Clean-up Dive and BBQ:** Because of our insurance difficulty presently, it was decided to postpone it to next year, insurance depending.



## Updates:

- **Artificial reef:** To the best of our knowledge, the artificial reef project is dead.
- **Big Tall Buoys from the Coast Guard:** No news yet. We need to make contact with Christof Opalca. Stéphan Senécal will communicate with him in the following weeks and will update us. – **Action Item Stéphan Senécal**



## New Business:

- Dave Sheridan' wife Diane passed away last week. Dave was a great contributor, volunteer and a talented artist that did a lot for our Chapter over the years. SOS 1000 Islands Chapter sent flowers and donated money to the Mental Health Association.

**Motion to reimburse Stéphan Senécal the amount of \$100.00 for the purchase of flowers and for the donation:**

**Motion: Helen Cooper, 2<sup>nd</sup> Dominique Gingras** **Approved**

- Dominique Gingras mentioned that Scubapedia.ca (Website in English and French, regrouping shipwrecks and dive sites from Québec and Ontario) was purchase by the FQAS (Fédération Québécoise des Activités Subaquatiques) and that they will demolish it to make it Québec only dive sites. He wanted to know if SOS could be interested in purchasing the Website. The data could be forwarded under SOS Web page. He thinks that they could sell it for a few dollars, maybe \$20.00-\$25.00. Maybe we could have a look at the traffic generated by Scubapedia.ca. We discussed and agree that Dominique Gingras could pursue the investigation to know what could be done. – **Action Item Dominique Gingras**



**Next Meeting:** April 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022.



**Adjournment:** 20:16 p.m. **Motion:** Dominique Gingras