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Minutes for BCRA Annual General Meeting 2025 Port Sydney Community Hall, Port Sydney Saturday, June 21, 2025 at 9:00am

No.	Item	Notes
1	Call to order & Roll Call to establish quorum	Call to order 9:03am
2	President Sharron Taylor's Message	
	Regrets: Bob Mahon and Charlie Latino, directors on Board	
	Welcome: James from C.A.T.T., Faye French, our bookkeeper	
	Goals: Primary goal is accountability and fee collections.	
	Secondary goal is road maintenance and upgrading.	
	Third goal is to create a sense of community.	
3	Approval of Minutes	First: Melissa Stewart
	Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2024 Annual General	Second: Sue Fortner
	Meeting.	Vote: passed with 21 votes
4	Member Review of Financials	First: Mary-ann Kosela
	Motion to accept the member review of the 2024 financials and	Second: Jason Lohan
	nominate Brad Fortner as the member to review the	Vote: passed with 18 votes
	bookkeeping prior to the 2026 AGM as required by BCRA By-law	
	13.01.	
5	Approval of Financial Statement	First: Corinne Caldwell
	Motion to approve the Financial Statement from Balancing	Second: Larry French
	Muskoka for year ending December 31, 2024	Vote: passed with 20 votes
6	Board of Directors	Directors are elected for two
	Kelly Green, Secretary – 5 th year/3 rd term	years and can serve for three
	Allison Kikauka, Vice President/Treasurer – 5 th year/3 rd term	consecutive terms (6 years total).
	Ed Kikauka, Road Superintendent – 5 th year/3 rd term	
	Charlie Latino – 2 nd year/1 st term	
	Bob Mahon – 3 rd year/2 nd term	Faye French is our paid
	Dave Taylor – resigning due to moving	bookkeeper.
	Sharron Taylor – resigning due to moving	Ty Jalapeno is our member IT
	Introduction of Tisha Hetherington and Paul Adams by Sharron.	specialist.
	Motion to elect Tisha Hetherington and Paul Adams to the Board	First: Mary-ann Kosela
	of Directors for a two-year term and approve the current Board	Second: Jason Lohan
	of Directors.	Vote: passed with 22 votes

7	Governance – Allison Kikauka	First: Melissa Stewart
	Motion to approve the special resolutions to the Letters Patent	Second: Sue Fortner
	for BCRA, prepared by the law firm of Iler Campbell for	Vote: passed with 23 votes
	submission to Service Canada to comply with the Ontario Not for	
	Profit Corporations Act.	
8	Governance – Sharron Taylor	First: Jason Lohan
	Motion to approve the addition of 5. To Bylaw \$.06 to read:	Second: Larry French
	Special Assessment and Entrance Permit Motion	Vote: passed with 20 votes
9	Governance – Allison Kikauka	First: Mary-ann Kosela
	Motion to approve the completed version of the BCRA bylaws	Second: Jason Lohan
	approved by Iler Campbell law firm as posted on our website.	Vote: passed with 23 votes
10	Treasurer's Report and Budget – Allision Kikauka	Outstanding member fees:
	We are staying on budget for 2025.	
	Money allotted for snow removal is in good shape with \$11,000	Approx.
	left for Nov/Dec.	\$3,600 past years fees \$17,000 this year, 2025
		\$20,600 total outstanding
	Our goal is to maintain a \$40,000 reserve. We should have \$36-	
	37,000 at the end of 2025.	
11	Road Superintendent Report - Ed Kikauka	Please take action if you see
	Plowing was a challenge this past winter!	people abusing the road.
	Grader on the road has been an incredible bonus, especially in	For example, call the contractor
	Nov/Dec with heavy, wet snow that needed to be pushed back.	of a speeding vehicle.
	And heavy snow volume – Windermere provided necessary	
	equipment/service to push heavy snow and widen road	Also, pitch in to help keep the end of driveways clear.
	Current Issues:	
	- Poor foundation causes pot holes and other issues. James	
	(C.A.T.T.) has been instrumental in improving and	
	widening the road and installing culverts to help drainage	
	- Site alterations: building has been happening, causing	
	road and drainage issues	
	 Road allowance negligence: garbage bins too close to 	
	road	
	- High traffic volume	
	- Social behaviour: some off-road vehicles are speeding and	
	operating without a license	
	- Lack of enforcement ability	
12	Road Contractror C.A.T.T. Report by James Miller	Current Issues
	Over 3 years we've gained 20% of road by widening areas and	- Limited turnaround area
	tree removal, amounting to a little over 10,000 square feet which	for equipment
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	is especially helpful in winter.	

	Signage can now to be upgraded because of the increased road width which will help with insurance.	 Road has rocky parts, hills and sandy parts – have to balance the work required
	The MTO has a sieve test and road standards – James follows these guidelines and gave a demonstration of materials used. The grader mixes all the different sizes of gravel together. Sand is used in the winter, which means more of the very fine material on our road. It breaks down the composite of the gravel – the grader mixes that. Travel (tires) break it down into finer dust which is why we need dust suppressant.	·
	This year calcium is going down for dust reduction (once road repairs are done and grading is completed). It makes a small crust on the surface of the road.	
	During an onsite meeting with James, representatives from the Town of Huntsville and road board members, the town was happy with our progress on the road and directed BCRA to work in accordance with their bylaws.	
	Let the road board know of any issues you encounter.	
13	Community Matters – Sharron Taylor	
	The spring newsletter has been emailed and will be posted to our website.	
	Road fees: payment plans are available by reaching out to the board or to Faye French, our bookkeeper.	
	Speed is an on-going issue. We all need to slow down.	Dan Sgro volunteered to research speed bumps. Allison Kikauka will check with insurance about speed bumps.
14	Closing comments & adjournment by Sharron Taylor	First: Susan Fortner
	Sharron and Dave Taylor said their goodbye as they are moving	Second: Dan Sgro
	away this summer.	Vote: passed
	Motion to adjourn the meeting.	