

# **MINUTES**



# CRANE MOUNTAIN ENHANCEMENT INC ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 3 November 2020 7:00 p.m.

# **CALL TO ORDER**

The Annual Meeting of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. (CMEI) was called to order at 7:02 p.m. with Chair, Tom Simpson presiding. Mr. Simpson thanked everyone for coming and introduced the Executive: Roberta Lee, Vice-Chair, Jim Stubbs, Treasurer, as well as, Jane Tunney sitting in for the Recording Secretary and Jon Bidgood presenting on behalf of the Nominating Committee. Due to restrictions of Covid-19, the AGM in May 2020 was postponed until November 2020.

**TABLING THE NOTICE** - The acting Recording Secretary supplied a copy of the Classified section of the Saint John Telegraph Journal from Monday, October 19, 2020 that contained a notice of the Annual General Meeting of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. as calling the meeting and furnishing proof that such notice was given.

MINUTES OF LAST ANNUAL MEETING – The minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on 7 May 2019 were read into the record by acting Recording Secretary, Jane Tunney. A copy of the minutes and all reports will be uploaded to the CMEI website at a later date at cmei.ca.

MOTION 1: Jim Stubbs / Patti Chisholm - That the minutes of the Annual Meeting held 7 May 2019 be accepted as read.

**MOTION 1: Carried unanimously.** 

# CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT - Tom Simpson, Chair

Tom Simpson read the Chair's Report into the minutes and submitted a copy for the file.

#### OTHER REPORTS

MONITORING - Roberta Lee

Mrs. Lee read the Monitoring Committee report into the minutes. Copy submitted for file.

# **SPECIAL PROJECTS** – Tom Simpson

Mr. Simpson, read the Special Projects Committee report into the minutes and reviewed on screen the 2019 and 2020 projects. Copy of report submitted for file.

# TREASURER'S REPORT – Jim Stubbs, Treasurer

Mr. Stubbs presented the Financial Statements and submitted copies of the Statement of Operations and Financial Statements - Year Ended October 31, 2019. Mr. Stubbs read from the 14 April 2020 Independent Practitioner's Review Engagement Report indicating based on Teed Saunders Doyle & Co. review, nothing has come to their attention that causes them to believe that the financial statements do not present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of Crane Mountain Enhancement Inc. as at October 31, 2019, and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

MOTION 2: John Doubt / Jon Bidgood - To accept the Treasurer's Report as presented.

**MOTION 2: Carried unanimously.** 

#### APPOINTMENT OF THE AUDITOR

MOTION 3: Jim Stubbs / John Doubt - To have the Accounting firm of Teed, Saunders & Doyle continue as auditors to conduct the 2019-2020 CMEI Financial Review.

**MOTION 3: Carried unanimously** 

#### APPROVAL OR CONFIRMATION OF THE AMENDMENT OF ANY BY-LAW

No revisions presented.

# **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

Jon Bidgood, on behalf of the Chair of the Nominating Committee, read the existing directors reoffering for election to the Board of Directors for a two-year term: Peter Furness, Tom Simpson, and Jim Stubbs; two new nominees for a two-year term: Neil Jacobsen and Mark Richards; and one nominee for a one-year term: John Doubt.

Nominations were then opened to the floor to fill the one-year term position. Asked and answered three times. As there were no further nominations, Mr. Bidgood closed the nominations and requested a motion to acclaim John Doubt as director for a one-year term.

MOTION 4: Roberta Lee / Jim Stubbs - To acclaim John Doubt as director for a one-year term. MOTION 4: Carried unanimously.

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MOTION 5: Patti Chisholm / Jim Stubbs - To acclaim Peter Furness, Neil Jacobsen, Mark Richards, Tom Simpson, and Jim Stubbs as directors for a two-year term.

**MOTION 5: Carried unanimously.** 

Elections to the Executive and appointments to committees will occur at the next regular meeting of the CMEI.

# **SUCH FURTHER AND OTHER BUSINESS** - that may properly come before the meeting:

Philip Lee thanked the CMEI for their ongoing effort to protect our community and, this year in particular, to address concerns regarding the development of a local wetland. Mr. Lee said he felt it was important that management of the Crane Mountain Landfill not lose sight of the community's feelings and well-being. Mr. Lee said to question the CMEI's role as a representative body to oversee the community's interest, or the validity of their work done was insulting. Mr. Lee called on the CMEI to continue their work for the community.

Mike Bonga, on behalf of the Nature Trust, spoke of the CMEI's continuing support of Blueberry Hill through Special Projects funding, beginning with the 2010 reclamation of a wetland project. He announced that in 2019 the Nature Trust received the gift of a 20-acre property for the Noremac Habitat Nature Preserve Walking Trail accessed at the top of Acamac Backland Road.

With no further business, Tom Simpson explained the new board members will receive an information kit at the December meeting of the CMEI and requested a motion to adjourn.

# **ADJOURNMENT**

MOTION 6: Patti Chisholm / Jim Stubbs moved the meeting be adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jane Tunney Acting Recording Secretary