

Talpines

Property Owners Association

Newsletter

March

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Feb.18th, Only folks I saw on skis were on the sign post, Tay Shore Trail, Tanner Road!

Welcome to 2019 and our March Talpines Newsletter. I apologize for being this late but between me dragging my heels this winter & then trying to find up to date info for you to read about, golly, here it is a week into the month already! Shouldn't be long now until the Trail will be giving us more to see and enjoy.

Sadly, 2018 went out with the news that our new Deputy Mayor, Jim Crawford had passed away suddenly December 14th at home. A large crowd gathered on the 22nd to join his family for his Celebration of Life at the Oakwood Centre in Victoria Harbour.

With the new Council having been just “sworn in” and their first Council Meeting behind them, came the question of a replacement for Deputy Mayor. Your Talpines Directors sent an e-mail Letter to Council requesting a By-Election as there still remained the FULL TERM ahead and Democratically, Councillors are elected to office by the People. A number of others and one Councillor also requested a By-Election. Others, as well as most members of Council, thought an Appointment by Council was all that was required and stressed the savings in time and money to appoint a successor to the Deputy Mayor Position. At the February Council Meeting, it was decided by Council to appoint a replacement to the position of Deputy Mayor. **Gerard LaChapelle was nominated by a member of council, approved by Council and Gerard accepted the position** of Deputy Mayor for Tay.

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After being told by several of our directors that a number of past by-laws in Tay were being upgraded I went on-line to the Tay web site and found the By-law changes suggested, in the Agenda of a Council meeting. Most disturbing was the restoring and emphasizing that “No one is allowed to plant, remove soil, cut or plant trees or disturb property belonging to Tay”. With “Fines” listed at over \$200.00 per person per time, and since the issue was on property maintained by Parks & Recreation, when I was at the Tay office to pay my property tax installment, I was able to talk with Bryan Anderson about our concerns as volunteers and helping maintain Pine Street Beach. I also mentioned the many people whose property is dissected by the Trail and also others who border the Trail, like to maintain along the Trail at their place for not only their own but also Trail users enjoyment.

Thanks to Bryan, he gave me a name to e-mail in the By-law Department so when I got home, I followed up with my concerns to the name I was given. To my surprise, I had a reply within a day thanking me for my concerns and that there had been other people contacting him regarding their involvement with Parks & Beaches concerns. He then said, “The By-law PPP-2019-15 update we speak of has been differed from the Council Agenda and to be re-studied before presenting again for approval”.

Speaking of Pine Street Beach we at Talpines are planning to spend time every Saturday morning beginning at 10:00 am to clean the beach and we hope to plant more flowers to beautify the area (with Bryan Anderson’s approval). We are currently looking at beginning about the 18th of May until Labour Day (possibly longer depending on the weather). All help is appreciated.

Fire Permits must be purchased before any open air burning. They cost \$20.00 and can be purchased at the Office or on line at www.tay.ca . Incidentally, the fine schedule was also overhauled and now will cost people a minimum of \$200.00 for most offences. Take note, burning during a Posted Fire Ban, Fines begin at \$700.00. Remember, **Permits are NOT available at our Libraries.**

Waubashene Library Hours : Tuesday : 10:30 am to 5:30 pm
Thursday: 10:30 am to 7:30 pm
Friday & Saturday: 10:30 am to 2:30 pm

Congratulations to several of our members:

Donna & Verne Denault received an **Award** From Severn Sound Environmental for their efforts the past few years to organize and remove Phragmites from Sturgeon Bay.

Ken Lung has been appointed by council to the Tay Heritage Committee.

Ken Fulford has been appointed by council to the Waubashene Recreation Committee.

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Beautiful sunset taken July 1st, 2018. *D. Cornish*

Repeats are welcome, *sunsets and also, Talpines will be taking *water samples for recreational use in Sturgeon Bay in late June to early September (biweekly). Peter Davis is awaiting his kit for the *Lake Partnership water sampling program that will determine any change in the health of Sturgeon Bay.

*Tay Bike Day is Saturday, June 15th (rain date June 16th) and headquarters are at Bridgeview Park, Waubaushene. Hope to see you there!

*Talpines hopes to be involved with more Phragmites removal again this year. (All help is welcome)

Here is hoping you remembered to adjust your clocks for Day Light Saving March 10th. Also, be sure to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and your carbon monoxide detectors. When you open your cottage, repeat this battery chore there as well!

The FOCA AGM was March 2nd in Toronto but unfortunately, our directors were all busy that day so we had no one attending this year. One Topic was “Cottage Succession” which was a big issue several years back. In fact, FOCA had a video made on CD and Talpines obtained a copy of it. Anyone wishing to view it can contact our directors for date and availability to borrow it.

As a Talpines member, you are also a FOCA member and have the ability to receive discounts on a number of their sponsors products & services. FOCA also has a very informative monthly newsletter they named “Elert”. If you are not now receiving it, e-mail info@foca.on.ca to sign up and also ask for your password to access the other offers available to you by FOCA.

Just reading FOCA, Year in Review and I see that of the over 500 associations and over 50,000 members, 55% of the associations are made up of under 50 members each, like us.

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Following our member survey requests from last summer, **Talpines AGM will be held Saturday, June 29th**. We will meet after the morning beach work, at Victoria's Bunkie at 82 King Road, 11 am, for our business meeting and general discussions among all, as requested by our survey response. Agenda and more info will be with our June Newsletter as well as info on our "Block Party", August long weekend at the same location. (Date, time & info to follow).

Talpines 2019 memberships may be paid anytime and are due by June 1st. Our membership is still only \$30.00 for the year and includes your FOCA membership as well. There will be more info in the near future. We will welcome a couple of new Directors and if you are interested, contact one of our directors for more information.

We are sorry to announce that director Roberto Porco resigned just after our December Newsletter had been sent out, as he felt he didn't have time to do as much as he thought he would have due to other interests. He still remains a member & looks forward to helping at the beach cleaning & beautification project.

To those following the "grow op" situation in Waubaushene, as of this letter writing, there has been no comments on what has happened after the day in Court last fall giving the operator until February to cease and remove the operation.

Other Information Sources

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