

Greater Bob's Lake Landowners Association

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A MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

As winter approaches, and lake activity quiets somewhat, we can reflect back on a productive summer for the Association. The Annual meeting was, I hope you will agree an unqualified success.

As reported to you at the meeting by Susan Mactaggart, some of the development issues, notably the Noel project on Green Bay, are on their way to resolution; others remain in progress and will require continued monitoring.

New Official Plan

A detailed new Official Plan for Bedford Township was proposed and discussed at some length this summer. The plan is considered by many to be quite progressive in terms of its treatment of future severance and lot development; that is, it enhances restrictions intended to safeguard the environment and water quality within the Township's borders. Discussions with a number of members, some of whom attended the public meeting of the Bedford Township Council to discuss the plan, suggests a number feel it strikes a reasonable balance between the ability of a landowner to develop a lot or site and the necessity to preserve environmental quality in general.

Once the plan is accepted by the Township Council, and then the Ontario government, a new by-law will be passed to give effect to its principles. The GBLLA has followed the process with great interest, and we await the outcome -- perhaps before year-end, but likely sometime after.

Fishing Committee Changes

As members know, our fish stocking program is funded by the Ministry of Natural Resources and has been headed up locally by Bob Leonard. I regret to advise members of Bob's decision to resign. The program has been a great success, and that has been due in no small way to his efforts and diligence, and that of the other volunteers in the area. The membership, and indeed all who visit the area, owe them a great debt of gratitude.

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Editor's Notes

Well it has been quite a season here at Bob's Lake. We have a new official plan that should be approved shortly by the provincial government.

By all accounts, this is probably one of the most progressive and revolutionary official plans of any township in Ontario. We like to refer to it as the "Yeltsin" plan of Bedford Township.

For more information on the new plan please read the article by Harry Kilfoyle reprinted in this newsletter.

Remember, this November 12th is municipal election day in Ontario. We ask that all our Canadian members to make a special effort and come out and vote in this year's elections.

For your convenience, there is an advance polling day on Saturday, November 2. So this year why not wait until the weekend of November 2nd to close up the cottage and VOTE at the same time!

For those who cannot make it up for the advance or regular polls we have enclosed, with this newsletter, a voting proxy form.

To assist you in making your choice for council, we have also included a list of all registered candidates in Bedford. We have asked all the candidates to submit a short bio and statement for inclusion in this newsletter.

Because there is such a small voter list, your vote does count. In the last election some offices were only won by a handful of votes. By coming out to vote you will show to our elected officials that you really do care what happens in this township and on these lakes.

In this issue, we are introducing a new column of news and stories on the lake called Comings and Goings.

If you know of any news about people or places on the lake, please let us know. We would love to share them with the rest of the membership. History, births, deaths, promotions, anecdotes, or whatever, true or not so true, we will print them all.

Have a wonderful winter and the Best of the Season to you all!

Bill St. Arnaud

President's Message continued

The program will continue under the leadership of Bob Greenslade. The Ministry has allocated funds for the re-grooming (i.e. nutrient removal) of Amey Pond this fall. That work is required in order to get the pond into shape for next spring's effort. This continues to be one of the most productive, useful and economically beneficial programs with which the GBLLA is associated. Your continued support through the Association is vital.

Shoreline Video

This past summer also saw the completion of the shoreline videotape survey of Bob's Lake, Crow Lake and all of the bays. The work was ably conducted by Wade Leonard and Sean Mactaggart, and the product is fifteen videotapes, correlated to a detailed map of the area, that describes the shoreline for future reference on questions of development and other issues. Copies of the tapes and map will be held by the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Bedford Township offices. A vote of thanks for a job well done is due Wade and Sean.

The Wolfe Lake Road

Another item I would like to raise with the membership through the Newsletter: we are having a tough time understanding the reasoning behind the proposal to construct a new road at the south end of Wolfe Lake, between Fermoy and Salem, as part of a general highway improvement program in Frontenac. The existing road seems, to the untrained eye at least, quite serviceable, and to any eye it is a particularly picturesque stretch of highway.

Why, we wonder, is the county proposing to spend money to build a new road over the mountain? By the way, if that comes about, the old road will remain, and the cost of upkeep will be assumed by Bedford Township.

What do permanent and seasonal residents think: If there is no compelling reason (safety, long term economy) for building the new road, is it necessary? We would like to hear your opinion on this.

Fish Sanctuaries: Do we need them?

We'd like your views on another question. The Ministry of Natural Resources indicates that it is interested in establishing fish sanctuaries. Provided all of the residents in a given part of a lake agree, the Ministry would designate that part of the waterbody a sanctuary for a time, in order to encourage the increase in fish stocks. Sanctuaries are usually located in isolated bays away from any cottages and human habitat.

Do you think our lake should have some fish sanctuaries to increase our fish stock?

Let me know what you think of the idea. Give me a call or write to me at the address at that back of this newsletter.

New Address

Finally, the proprietors of the Burrige Store, Donna and Barry Jenkins, have kindly consented to accept GBLLA mail from the membership addressed to the Board and Committee persons. While members may send correspondence, dues etc. to the appropriate Board member, the alternative, is to forward all correspondence to the following address:

Greater Bob's Lake Association
c/o The Burrige Store
R.R. #2, Godfrey
Ontario
KOH ITO

A safe and short winter to all.

Angus Laidlaw

COMINGS and GOINGS

...It is sad to report that Sock Hessin's cottage is up for sale. Sock and Kissy are going to be missed by all who knew them on the lake....Congratulations to Joyce Barr on her new association with ReMax real estate. Joyce has been a life long resident of Bob's Lake and knows the area like the back of her hand...if you want real estate advice, talk to Joyce...Did you know that the Burrige Store now carries a complete line of environmental cleaning products...Protect our lake and try some of these products.....Did you know that Betty Davis use to visit Bobs' Lake!...Yes those Betty Davis eyes used to gaze upon Whiskey Point in Green Bay. Back in the 30's she would bring a bunch of Hollywood friends up here and fish and camp at Whiskey Point....Did you know that Al Capone was supposed to have a cottage on the Big Rideau and hide out there when the "heat" was on in Chicago...and Bob Rae, who has probably more to say about alcohol and money in this province than Al Capone could dream about, has a cottage on Big Rideau...hopefully Bob has witnessed some of the pollution problems there and will enact some good legislation to protect our lakes.

DEVELOPMENT and PLANNING COMMITTEE

Susan Mactaggart

During the summer, the first draft of the Official Plan for Bedford Township was made available to the public. On August 23rd, Township Council held an open meeting with the Official Plan Advisory Committee, the Planner, and the public at large to hear comments and receive input on this first draft.

Your Development/Planning Committee reviewed and discussed this material and made a presentation to Council on August 23rd. For a copy of this presentation please call or write to me at the address given at the back of this newsletter.

Essentially, we have complimented the Advisory Committee and Council for their progressive approach to squarely address many concerns and problems. We view the Plan as a potential model for other townships who are dealing with similar problems.

The natural resources and the farming resources of our Township must be protected as this Plan, if passed, will guide the Township for the next twenty years. It therefore must be progressive if we try to anticipate the development changes that will undoubtedly take place.

Copies of the Draft Plan are available at the Township Offices.

The Committee is also monitoring the Sherbrooke Bluffs Development at the north end of Bob's Lake. We have received some comments of concern and these are being investigated.

I wish you all a good winter.

MEMBERSHIP

Barbara Merrill

I am pleased to announce that Joyce Barr is now co-chairman of the membership committee. Joyce comes to this committee with a vast knowledge of the Bob's Lake area and its people. There are many of us who have known and enjoyed Joyce for many years. She is a welcome addition to the committee.

The annual meeting was very well attended and at that time we gained more new members. We welcome you and are very happy to have you with the association.

I would like to take this opportunity to remind those who have not paid their dues for 1991-1992 to please do so. We do not send statements so this will be our way of jogging your memories. We do need your continued support in order to fund our many projects. Thanks!

Joyce and I hope you will have a good winter and happy holidays.

ROAD SIGNS and BUOYS

Peter Marshall

All road signs are in place and stop signs have been erected at the most dangerous intersections.

Shoal Buoys should be removed by now and put out again in the spring. We still have a couple of extra buoys if they are required.

Next spring - 9 KM speed signs will be posted at these four locations:

The Narrows between Green Bay and Bob's Lake.
The Portage from Bobs' Lake to Crow Bay.
The Cut from Crow Bay to Crow Lake.
The Channel from Big Bob's to Buck Bay.

The OPP will be enforcing the limits. Those caught speeding will be subject to the all the same penalties and fines as if they were caught speeding on a public road.

WATER QUALITY

Michael Green

As we announced at the annual meeting, we received an award for our 10 years of participation in the Self-Help Water Testing Program.

Thanks to all the new volunteer testers who came forward at the annual meeting. The ministry will be sending me new test kits this winter, so you will be ready to go next spring. Please call me this winter to arrange a time to pickup your kit for next spring.

We still do not have a volunteer for Mill Bay. If you have a cottage there and would like to participate in our program, please give me a call.

Bedford Township approves tough new official plan

Harry Kilfoyle

Reprinted from the Kingston Whig-Standard

Bedford Township will restrict new housing development within 1.6 kilometers of a public road and site plan restrictions will be imposed on all land within 100 metres of a waterbody.

These are among the tough new measures approved in the township's first revision of its official plan since 1981. Closer scrutiny is also given to water quality - the number one issue raised in resident questionnaires.

Applicants for new lots will submit much more supporting data including an accurate survey, general topographical information, location of all buildings and structures including septic tanks and an alternate tile bed location in case the first bed fails.

Waterfront lot applicants must also submit information on the depth of soil between the waterbody and the septic tank and the depth of water plus the soil content 30 meters off shore.

The township has also approved variable setbacks for waterfront lots depending on the slope of the land. Normal 30 meter setbacks are increased to 45 meters on lots with a 15 per cent slope and rocky, hilly terrain requires a 90 meter setback of all buildings, septic tanks and wells.

While provincial approval for the new official plan is

pending, the township has already moved to apply many of the policies either by passing legislation or applying the regulations in practice.

For example, the township has upscaled the required frontage from 50 meters to 65 meters for new waterfront lots in the interim and it will go to 75 metres when the official plan is passed.

"A good part of it, we would like to implement right away," Reeve David Hahn said. "The one thing that we can't apply are site plan controls unless we pass a bylaw."

Site plan controls replace the need for rezoning. The restrictions normally minimize impacts of developments on neighboring properties and water bodies.

Site plan controls also allow the township to require the owner of the property to replant shoreline vegetation or replace trees. It is not clear how far Bedford intends to take this but, in other jurisdictions, landowners are being required to replace shoreline vegetation.

It is also the policy of the township council to involve residents in any development process at the earliest possible stage. In the past, it was possible for the public not to hear about a development until it reached the official plan or rezoning stage.

Even severances, which requires no notice by law, will be advertised by the township. The Planning Act re-

quires only residents living within 400 feet of a proposed severed lot to be notified.

There are a number of tradeoffs in the new official plan. While residents will find applications for new lots more time-consuming than under the previous official plan, the township strived for balance by waiving the rezoning of the residential lots, the \$600 fee and the two required waiting periods which could stretch over two to three months.

And another trade-off may encourage developers with multi-lots to proceed by Plan of Subdivision rather than by severance. The Plan of Subdivision is a costly process for the subdivider so the township removed a major cost obstacle by not requiring subdivision roads to be brought up to Ministry of Transport standards before going to the township.

The township allows the subdivision to proceed on private roads where a 66-foot

road right-of-way is dedicated to the township. The private road would only be assumed by the township when neighbors or users agree to pay to upgrade the roads to provincial standards.

On the other hand, recognizing the residents' concerns about the impact of large subdivisions, the township will give preference to backshore cluster development.

These are lots located off the waterfront instead of on the water. Trailer park development was never properly addressed in the township's first official plan, Mr. Hahn said. New trailer parks will be limited to no more than 50 camp sites and the setback from the water is increased to 50 metres from 30 metres.

Each trailer site on the water must have 10 metres of shoreline. The idea for this density-type legislation is to cut down on excessive concentrations of development.

GYPSY MOTH

The Gypsy moth program has been extended another year. However some dramatic changes have been implemented in the spray cost for the 1992 season. The fee for the initial application to the first acre has been raised from \$6.00 to \$60.00. Additional charges then apply on a sliding scale for every subsequent acre.

To obtain more details on the new Gypsy moth program please contact Steven Dancy at the Gypsy Moth Coordination Office at (613)-353-1223.

All applicants must re-apply under this new program even though they were registered under the program last year.

WILDLIFE REPORT

Bob Sanderson

There doesn't seem to be any significant difference in the number of loons sighted in the lake this past summer. However, several people, including myself, have come to the conclusion that there were fewer chicks.

Contributing to this concern was the fact that adult loons were observed bunching up the second and third week in July, which is highly unusual -- much too early.

According to the experts, this signifies that these birds have no young to tend to nor are they nesting for a second go-around if they had lost their earlier brood.

The first suspicion of this was in Green Bay when six loons were spotted together diving, water walking, etc. Four or five days later, eight were seen doing the same thing toward the south end of Bob's Lake. Certainly they could have been the same group with two additional loons.

As reported in National Geographic, from the winter of 1983 through to 1989, there

have been some 7500 loons found dead along the Gulf Coast of Florida. Tests in laboratories showed that most of these loons carried high concentrations of mercury in their tissues. Many of the common loons that migrate to this part of the country winter along the Gulf Coast. This contamination affects the longevity of the birds and also the birth rate.

The United States Wildlife people find now that only fourteen states support loons in their lakes, and most unfortunately, it is mere handfuls. For example, 20 breeding adults in Massachusetts, 28 in Vermont, 314 in New York, 8 in Washington, and so it goes. The state that is increasing its loon populations is New Hampshire. This state has a very strong privately funded loon preservation society.

This area of Canada seems to be holding its own.

There have been the usual sightings of deer, fox, and one eagle, plus a couple of black bears were also reported.

could get out on the lake to try to hit one with his boat. To his shocked listeners he said, "There is a surplus of loons".

Not long ago a loon was shot near a friend's home on the lake. We know that loon will be a long time taking a new mate as loons generally mate for life. People were also seen shooting at loons on Sharbot Lake early this spring.

There is no excuse for this senseless slaughter of such a beautiful and ancient bird. Many northern lakes do not have enough life in them to support the loon. It is almost rare, contrary to what some people may think. Our lakes would not be the same without their familiar sight and sound. If ignorance is an excuse, let's correct it.

- Shooting a loon is an offense and if you are caught and found guilty, there will be a fine or a jail term.
- Lead sinkers when swallowed by the loon are sure killers. It might take three weeks or so but it will surely starve. Use inert metal or pebbles (drilled) for sinkers.
- Monofilament fishing line has killed many a loon. Please do not leave any discarded line in or near the lake. It's dangerous to all birds. Hooks also in the fish that "get away", kill the loons when they eat the fish. Remove all hooks if possible.
- May and June are nesting times. The wake from your boat could possibly wash eggs out of the nest as the loons nests are built just at water's edge. Keep the speed down and stay a fair distance from the shores of islands where the loon commonly builds its nest. Canoes too can do damage if they come too close to a nest. The rule is that no one should even go near the loon's nest "even just for a peek". Needless to say the chicks should not be touched.
- We have to "police ourselves". The authorities generally do not get around to check these things. We have to learn what to do and what not to do. If you see someone injuring a loon, grab your camera and take a picture of the person in the act. You will have proof for the authorities and you will slow down a repeat of this kind of offense, as observers are not appreciated especially if they have a camera.
- If you find a loon or chick in trouble call Kit Chubb in Verona (phone 374-2923). She has the experience and facilities to help. If a loon is on a beach with no inclination to go back in the lake probably it needs assistance.

Of forty dead loons Kit has been sent, she has found: 15 were proven shot, 3 dead from lead sinkers, 5 dead from hooks or monofilament line. The remainder I'm not sure of but others she suspects were also shot. So even dead loons can provide her with information to help the living birds.

Surely the time has come when it is socially unacceptable to shoot loons or try to run them down with a boat.

LOONS in TROUBLE

Reprinted from North Frontenac News

Carol Baker

The loons are in trouble. Their numbers are going down in most areas and the humans are responsible for their decline.

I was compelled to write something on the part of the loon when I heard a man say he was glad the loons were back so he

NATURE NOTES

Alfred Pick

We live on a narrow southern extension of the Canadian Shield, with hardwoods, some evergreens, abandoned and marginal farm fields and lots of rock everywhere. There is a basic uniformity and some may think there is a lack of variety. However, on closer examination we learn that we do not suffer from sameness. Here are a few local examples of diversity in different domains. Readers will be able to add others.

The Black Rat Snake

This is Canada's largest snake. It can grow up to 8 feet long and is a handsome, harmless, non-poisonous reptile confined largely to parts of Eastern Ontario, especially the County of Frontenac. Much research has been done on it at the Biological Station of Queen's University on Lake Opinicon near Chafey's Locks. They have attached radios to track its movements.

I have seen it mainly sunning itself on the local road. This is dangerous for its survival. On Pelee Island the few motorists are urged to take care to try to avoid running over their several local varieties of snakes, including the rare Blue Racer. This should also apply to us. The Black Rat Snake can look like an old black tree branch. Please endeavour to avoid running over it.

The Flying Squirrel

These are not so scarce, but they are nocturnal and glide silently so they are seldom seen. I had one that noisily chewed into a gable trying to get into an attic (I have no attic). I also unintentionally disturbed a family when I wanted to clean out a bird box. A neighbour had a similar experience, this time rather frightening, as he was at the top of a ladder.

I am not sure whether mine have been the Southern Flying Squirrel or one of the sub-species of the larger Northern, as they overlap in our region. They cohabit but do not inter-breed -- said to be sympatric. I think my encounters have been with the Southern. Next time I shall try to be more observant -- probably in the dusk or dark.

A visiting cat has repeatedly produced for us the tiny Masked Shrew, which is up to 2 1/2 inches long for body and head. Only, in this way, have we learned the existence of this miniature mammal.

The Cerulean Warbler

The family of wood warblers is large, varied in habitat, and so quick in movement that a species is often difficult to identify;

they are beautiful, fascinating and very frustrating. Our local neighbourhood specialty is the Cerulean Warbler. He comes in early May, nests in some high hardwoods such as beech or ash, sings his distinctive song and leaves early, or at least becomes silent by the end of July.

The books bring him as far north as the immediate Kingston area. We are at the northern limits. The Cerulean does not breed in the Ottawa valley. They nest and feed mostly in the tree canopy. With luck, the beautiful pale light blue and clear white breast, with a black bar on the male's neck, can be seen, sometimes at lower levels. When not seen the song assures us that he is up there somewhere.

The Alternate-leaf Dogwood

This small tree of distinctive shape appears to prefer the under-storey near wet areas. Because of the layered profile it is also called the Pagoda Tree. It does not have the showy white display of the dogwoods of British Columbia or further south, say in Virginia. The flower is small, followed by dark blue-black berries in bunches.

I had a very good specimen nearby on the edge of the local road which, alas, coincides there with the Hydro right-of-way. The tree is harmless and would remain so. I could not hug it day and night and sure enough, it has been cleared away with the removal of brush by Ontario Hydro. My remaining sample is a poor crowded struggling shrub.

Flowers

There are two tiny local species that are interesting but not beautiful. In the decaying leaves under clumps of beechtrees can often be found the small bronzed plant called Beechdrops. This is a member of the non-chlorophyll group called the saprophytes, including the more visible Indian Pipes and Pinesaps (the latter to be found in a nearby pine plantation).

Out on my cliff, in thin dry soil on granite, there is a grass-like flower Slender Ladies' Tresses, a delicate white cork-screw of surprisingly, the orchid family.

For something more impressive, as well as rarer, one may have to go further afield. Over near McDonald's Corners in Lanark county there is the Purdon Conservation Area which in late June has a gorgeous display of the Showy Lady's Slipper in a cedar swamp, with a well kept broadwalk system. In the Camden East Alvar there is at the end of May a great spread of the rare Long-plummed Purple Avens. However, this is not only less accessible, but really another country: it is no longer the Canadian Shield but the limestone plain of the Kingston area.

The CANDIDATES

The following submissions from candidates in the Bedford Township election have been reprinted with minor editing.

For Reeve

David Hahn, Incumbent Reeve

BACKGROUND

- raised on dairy farm
- Honours BA geography, B.ED. University of Toronto
- worked in development planning in Chile
- taught economics and geography in Scarborough
- children educated in local schools
- part-time teacher and farmer in Bedford
- Bedford Councillor 1985-88; Reeve 88-91

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Chairperson, Bedford Planning Advisory Committee
- Member, Steering Committee of Rideau Lakes Study
- Member, Friends of Frontenac Park Steering Committee
- Vice-Chair, Resource Management Planning Board, Cataraqui Conservation Authority
- Chair, Municipal Planning Group, Cataraqui C.A.
- Chair, Collins Watershed Study Steering Committee
- invited speaker on lake planning issues - Eastern Ontario Municipal Conference

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- INCREASED PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN GOVERNMENT
- early public notification of major development proposals
- formation of advisory committee
- ongoing consultations with lake associations

DEVELOPMENT WITH CARE

- careful assessment of environmental impact of proposed development
- public costs shifted to developers

PROTECTION OF LAKES

- initiated review of official plan
- established Planning Advisory Committee including five lake
- front property owners
- led this committee to develop one of the most innovative and
- environmentally protective Official Plans in eastern Ontario

- personally viewed and discussed problems of individuals on lakes
- included lake associations in deliberations on lake issues
- recognized the necessary balance between people's rights to develop property and environmental protection

SIGNIFICANT PROGRESS IN WASTE MANAGEMENT

- dump supervision
- landfill study
- recycling planned

COMMITMENTS

- implement new Official Plan in consistent and fair manner
- promote accountability to the public
- encourage citizen involvement in decision making
- improve effectiveness and efficiency of operations
- plan ahead for future needs, example new roads plan

Carl Barr

No material received by deadline

For DEPUTY REEVE

Barry Jenkins, Incumbent Deputy Reeve

Born and raised in Toronto my wife Donna and I with our two sons moved to Bedford Township eight years ago. Prior to purchasing the Burridge Store I spent many years in sales management and management of operations for a large corporate company in Ottawa.

POLITICAL EXPERIENCE

- 1 year as councillor
- 2 years as Deputy-reeve
- member of the BEDFORD RECREATION COMMITTEE
- member of the BEDFORD PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE
- chairman of the NORTH FRONTENAC- COMMUNITY ARENA BOARD
- represented Bedford Township at the County level
- -ADHOC COMMITTEE FOR ARBOR DAY
- -FINANCIAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

COMMITMENT FOR NEXT TERM

- continue to keep the public involved in decision making
- to protect the environment with proper planning
- road improvements
- recycling
- landfill management
- satellite fire station for the Bradshaw area
- implementation of the new official plan
- to vote on each motion according to my own conscience with
- regard to the good of Bedford Township

Karen Mulville

I have three years experience on council, I sat on the Pay Equity Committee, Committee of Adjustments and Recreation Committee. I work with the public everyday and thoroughly enjoy people. I believe in honesty, open mindedness, and listening. I collect all the information then make a decision.

I think that protecting our environment is first and foremost in all our minds. In the past three years Council has set up policies and procedures with stricter measurements and have made every effort to uphold and enforce them. As you are aware our Official Plan Update has been in the works. Unfortunately not everyone on Council could sit on the Committee so Mrs. Brown and I opted to sit out until the end then take everyone's concerns and evaluate the plan with an objective opinion. I would like to see this Plan implemented.

I am an honest hard-working person and I sincerely believe it's time to move up the ladder. I have learned a great deal and am looking forward to learning more, I have applied myself and prided myself on doing a good job and will continue to do so if the electors choose.

Marie Wilson

I have lived in Bedford Township for 31 years. I am 37 years old, married, and I have 4 children. I am presently at home with my family but I have worked as a secretary-bookkeeper and wordprocessor for 14 years. My positions varied from Social Services to Construction, Insurance Processor, Teacher's Aid, and Wordprocessing Secretary at OHIP in Kingston. I have also worked part-time for the Township of Bedford as the Ontario Home Renewal Administrator from 1977 to 1988 when the Council made the job part of the Building Inspector's duties. I have graduated from several Administrative Business courses plus the Municipal Clerk-Treasurer's Course at St. Lawrence College in Kingston.

While I have never held a position on council before, I am very familiar with the procedures and functions of the Municipal Government as I have attended several meetings as a concerned citizen as well as a volunteer from local groups at the local and county level while my father, Herman Knapp, was in office in Bedford Township.

I enjoy living in this area and some of the issues which I am concerned with are the cleanliness of our lakes and the well being of the environment where we have to live, not just for the present but also in the future. I'd like to see the provision of services provided by the township such as waste disposal, road maintenance, land use control, and recreation kept up-to-date but the costs of providing these services kept as low as possible. I feel that one person alone cannot make our community a better place to live, it has to be a team effort. Input from the community in the form of voicing your concerns and ideas will be welcomed with open ears.

For Councillor

Donna Brown, Incumbent Councillor

BACKGROUND:

Family Roots - 1966 - parents Ken & Vera Stinson, Crow Lake

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Church Treasurer, Sunday School Teacher,
- A.C.W. member
- P.A.C. school member
- member Bradshaw Community Fundraisers (established to raise funds for Bradshaw satellite fire station)

EXPERIENCE

- 1 1/2 years on present Council by appointment
- Part-time Legal Secretary/Clerk for past 17
- years at Cunningham, Swan, Carty, Little &
- Bonham, Kingston, in the fields of real estate,
- title searching, land severances, zoning and
- minor variance applications. Worked on a
- Cataraqui Conservation project for over 2 yrs.

CONCERNS:

- Environmental, - both present & future lake
- development must be watched very closely;
- existing problems must be upgraded and new
- development looked at very, very carefully;

- we must make every effort to control our waste and therefore, preserve our waste disposal sites (recycling must happen in Bedford).
- Taxes - we must make every effort to control our spending where possible and, at the same time, benefit from grants when and if, we can.
- roads - upgrade our roads by planning ahead and making a long-term commitment to this task.

SUMMARY:

I am very interested in the present and future of our Township as a whole. I have been a dedicated member of Council for the past one and half years and feel I have offered a great deal to the residents of this Township and will continue to do so, if re-elected, and will continue to serve them honestly to the very best of my ability.

ASHTON, Laurence (Larry).

AGE 55, Retired after 37 years with the Royal Bank, 25 years as a Senior Branch manager- Metro Toronto. Presently reside on the Former Golden Farm Wesport Road & Burridge Road near the closed Burridge Dump. I have 25 years of community service involvement from President of Rotary Club, Arthritic Society, Junior Achievement, Chamber of Commerce, Weston Board of Management Business improvement Area-Arm of the City of York.

I STAND FOR.

INTEGRITY for public office.

OPENESS & ACCESSIBILITY to all taxpayers at all levels.

STRONG & FISCAL RESPONSIBLE MANAGEMENT of your funds.

Review of new Official Plan especially Section 12.3 The property Standards By-Law which will allow our Township Council into our homes without regard to our privacy and prescribe standards for all things including interior walls and ceilings.

I PLEDGE a semi - Annual report of my actions to each taxpayer.

Roxanne Greenslade

I have been a member of the community for over 10 years. I am married with two children. My business experience includes 7 years in radio advertising and 1 year in real estate sales. I now operate a small craft business out of my own home. I enjoy working and dealing with people.

My concerns for this community are, I'm sure, much the same as yours. I not only want to raise my children here but I want to give them a reason to grow and stay in the area. I want our land, lakes and air to be pollution free.

I want our community services and our taxes to balance. I shall endeavour to see our area develop with out scarificing our most precious gifts.

I would strive to maintain:

- our quiet clean lakes
- our contiguous water ways
- our scenic and serene roads
- a volunteer support system that is second to none.

Our waste disposal sights are a concern of everyone and I would like to introduce more recycling projects.

Herman Knapp Jr

I was born and raised in Bedford Township and I am a graduate of St. Lawrence College with a diploma in Graphic Design. I am presently working as a freelance designer and have recently started a small ceramic business out of my home.

I am an active member of our township's Recreation Committee and hope to become further involved in the future of our community as a councillor. My main concerns are improved roads, the rising cost of taxes, protecting the environment, and providing more jobs in our township.

If elected I will do my best to resolve your problems and/or concerns and will be interested in hearing from you about your own thoughts on the future of our township.

Bart Goodberry

No material received by deadline

Ralph Hickey

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YOUR NEW EXECUTIVE

Angus Laidlaw, President

Angus Laidlaw, is a lifetime native of Ottawa, where he lives and works in a trade association representing commercial shipowners. He has been coming up to Bob's Lake since 1952. He owns, along with his brother, Mica Island which has been in the family since 1925.

Bob Cutter, Vice-President

Bob Cutter is a recently retired president of a Virginia printing company. He has been coming up to Bob's Lake now for over 20 years. Bob and his wife MaryAnn have a cottage on Crow's Island in Green Bay and now spend most of their summer on the lake.

Bill St. Arnaud, Secretary

Bill St. Arnaud is a computer engineering consultant living in Toronto. He has been coming up to Bob's for over 15 years. Three years ago, Bill and his wife Janice bought a piece of property in the narrows across from Morter's Camp and they are now in the slow process of building their own dream cottage.

John Peter, Treasurer

John Peters is the president of an Ottawa telecommunications company. John has a cottage in Mud Bay and he has been coming up to Bob's Lake for 12 years now. John is an avid enthusiast of Bob's Lake and remains committed to its preservation..

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