

**VERMILION RIVER STEWARDSHIP
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**
Wednesday, 15 January 2014, 7 to 9:00 pm
Beaver Lake Sports & Cultural Club
Minutes of Meeting

Chair: Linda Heron
Vice Chair: Sheri Johnson Purdon
Secretary/Treasurer: Sheri Johnson Purdon for Terry Little

Attendees: Linda Heron, Sheri Johnson Purdon, Marc Samson, Betsy Little, Bob Little, Ron Basso, Aaron Basso, Dale Kilbey, Eija Hietaharju, Erik Szkokan-Emilson, Jim Rook

1. Welcome: Sheri Purdon

2. Elections of Officers: Marc Samson

Chair

Chair Nominations: Linda Heron
Nominated by: Betsy Little
Seconded by: Ron Basso
Accepted by: Linda Heron
Nominations closed by: Dale Kilbey
Linda Heron Acclaimed
Motion Moved by Members - **CARRIED**

Vice-Chair

Vice-Chair Nominations: Sheri Johnson Purdon
Nominated by: Linda Heron
Seconded by: Dale Kilbey
Accepted by: Sheri Johnson Purdon
Nominations closed by: Betsy Little
Sheri Johnson Purdon Acclaimed
Motion Moved by Members - **CARRIED**

Secretary/Treasurer

Secretary/Treasurer Nominations: Marte Holouka
Nominated by: Sheri Johnson Purdon
Seconded by: Eija Hietaharju
Accepted by: Marte Holouka
Nominations closed by: Dale Kilbey
Marte Holouka Acclaimed
Motion Moved by Members - **CARRIED**

There are 3 vacancies available for board members, if anyone is interested please contact the Chair or Vice Chair.

3. Presentation of the Annual Report: Linda Heron – Addendum 1

Comment by Marc Samson: The report was very well done.
Treasurer Budget and Expenses were reviewed by Lesley Flowers and Betsy Little

Presentation of Financial Statement: Sheri Purdon – Addendum 2

Motion to accept the Annual General Report: Ron Basso
Seconded by: Marc Samson
Motion Moved by Members - **CARRIED**

4. Keynote Speaker: Erik Szkokan-Emilson, Laurentian University

Climate Changes in metal-contaminated watersheds: Implications for water quality and delayed ecosystem recovery. Erik's presentation will be posted on our website when available.

Erik Szkokan-Emilson, a PhD student at the Living with Lakes Centre. Erik is supervised by Dr. Gunn from Laurentian University and Dr. Watmough from Trent University. He completed his undergraduate degree at the University of Guelph in Marine and Freshwater Biology, and worked at the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority for two years before deciding to come to Sudbury to study mining-impacted lakes. His research focuses on the assisted and natural recovery of aquatic communities from mining-related disturbances, and he incorporates ecological, biogeochemical, hydrological, and environmental modelling techniques in his work. His talk focused on the impact that drought has on metal cycles in contaminated wetlands, and how this is may be impacting recovery processes. Erik also discussed the implications of his work in terms of the operation of dams that artificially alter water levels.

5. Social and Lunch.

6. Next Meeting: Wednesday, 12 February 2014, 7:00 to 9:00 pm.



Wabagishik Rapids, Vermilion River, by Linda Heron



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Prepared by:

Linda Heron, Chair



Wabagishik Rapids, Vermilion River, by Aleta Karstad

