Couchiching Point Residents' Association Annual General Meeting (not held) Was scheduled for Sept. 8.2012

As you know our AGM had to be cancelled due to inclement weather so we are distributing this letter to keep you informed on current events.

The executive and directors are:

Bill Macleod (President)
Betty Bridgens (Vice President)
Karen Vance (Treasurer)
June Healy (Secretary)
Ron Vance (Dir.)
Marilyn Gordon (Dir.)
Martha Ewart (Dir.)
Joan Baker (Dir.)
Barb Watt (Dir.)
Stephanie Worthington (Dir.)

Paul Bennett (Dir.)

It should be pointed out that certain collection routes have been changed so you may have a different director collecting the 5 dollar fee this year. This will cover the period Sept.1.2012 to Aug. 31.2013

1. Motion to accept minutes from the 2011 Annual General Meeting

Motion made by Gertraut Macleod and seconded by Betty Bridgens.

- 2. A very special thanks as always to Ron and Karen Vance for all they do in collecting cans and bottles etc. for the Lighthouse Shelter and also the great job they do in cutting the grass on Couchiching Point Road. The flower Boxes which Ron built and installed there are beautiful. Ron also collects metal items for the cause so contact him at 705-327-6650 or drop off at his home, 675 Broadview Ave. Also assisting Ron in his efforts was Keith Jardine, a special thanks to him. So far this year Ron has collected over 1000 dollars for donation to the shelter.
- 3. Many thanks go also to Bill and Louise Mottershall for organizing a very successful golf tournament. Very well done.
- 4. The Balance on hand in our Treasury is \$2074.11.

- 5. Because of the very limited use being made of our Website we have discontinued it. Betty Bridgens will now send out pertinent information to all our listed E-mails. Please contact her if you have items of interest you may wish to share. Please let her know when you have a change of email or if you have not been receiving emails during the last year. Send emails to bettyandtonys@sympatico.ca.
- 6. Bill Macleod reports that progress is being made on the lake level drawdown.

At a meeting in July, Parks Canada took the mandated fish legislation required date of October 1 (to reach the winter level setting) off the table for Simcoe and Couchiching. This means that they will follow the Rule Curve date to get the water down, which is by November 15. We have shown that they do so in a very conservative manner with Couchiching leading Simcoe down by several weeks due to the Narrows effect.

This year went forward as usual with Parks Canada dropping the levels starting in mid. August. However we have gathered enough data to show that a 3 weeks extension (i.e. starting the drawdown after Labour Day instead of mid. August) is possible and Bruce Stanton is now preparing to take our case to the Minister.

Thanks goes to George Knegt for establishing a datum line on the canal for water level measurements.

- 7. A report on canal activities will be sent out separately.
- 8. A special thanks to Marilyn Dennis for the years she has spent as a director. We wish her good luck for the future. Marilyn's place as a director has been taken over by Martha Ewart.

Sorry we could not see you all at the Vance's. We hope you enjoyed the lovely summer.

Bill Macleod - President Betty Bridgens - Vice President