



## Minutes of the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, March 3, 2021

Meeting Conducted on Zoom

1. Call to Order

President Rene Gareau called the meeting to order and declared the number of members attending via Zoom exceeds the quorum required by the Peterborough Field Naturalists Operating By-law for a Member's Business Meeting.

President Rene Gareau noted the following documents were printed in the March issue of 'The Orchid', attached to the e-mail notice regarding this meeting, and available on the PFN website: Minutes of Jan. 21, 2020 Annual Meeting, 2020 Annual Report, 2020 Financial Statements, and Report of the Nominations Committee.

Reem Ali reviewed the procedure to be followed by members to indicate their vote on motions.

2. Land Acknowledgment

Paul Elliott gave an acknowledgment of the area's aboriginal legacy.

3. Minutes of the 2020 Annual General Meeting

Moved by Marilyn Freeman, seconded by J. B. Jaboor:

**That the Annual Meeting of the Peterborough Field Naturalists approves the Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held on January 31, 2020.**

Carried

4. President's Report 2020

President Gareau gave his Presidential address and summarized the highlights of the past year.

5. Annual Report 2020

Moved by Paul Elliott, seconded by Cathy Douglas:

**That the Annual Meeting of the Peterborough Field Naturalists approves the Annual Report for 2020.**

Carried

6. Treasurer's Report for 2020

Moved by Dave Heuft, seconded by Marie Duchesneau:

**That the Annual Meeting of the Peterborough Field Naturalists approves the Treasurer's Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 2020.**

Carried

7. Nominations Committee Report

Moved by Cathy Douglas, seconded by Marilyn Freeman:

**That the Annual Meeting of the Peterborough Field Naturalists approves the Report of the Nominations Committee.**

Carried

Edward Vale, Chair of the Nominations Committee presented the report.

## 8. Certificates of Appreciation

President Gareau presented Certificates of Appreciation to the following individuals:

- Lynn Smith - for years as a dedicated volunteer, Board member and President.
- Marie Duchesneau - for arranging members meetings for several years and other volunteer efforts.
- Don Sutherland - for years of being a leader in documenting the flora and fauna of the province.
- Jim Cashmore - for his efforts in ensuring nature areas were protected and that walking trails were provided in the Lily Lake area.

## 9. Announcements

Steve Paul reviewed the topics for the upcoming member's meetings.

Sue Paradisis reviewed the upcoming outings.

Edward Vale announced that nominations are being sought for the scholarship which Ontario Nature is offering to the Camp Kawartha Nature Camp.

Reem Ali announced there will be a special members' meeting on March 11 where the two placement students from the Conservation Biology course at Trent University will be giving a summary of their projects.

## 10. Adjournment

Moved by Cathy Douglas:

**That the 80<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting of the Peterborough Field Naturalists is now adjourned.**

Carried

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Rene Gareau, President

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Martin Parker, Secretary

