

President's Report

It has been a busy and productive year for your LECA Board. Also a gratifying one working with amazing Board members, neighbours and volunteers who contribute their time and skills to better our community.

LECA produced four Newsletters this past year to ensure the community was informed on relevant matters. A special notice was also forwarded to all CLE residents regarding a Special Meeting organized by LECA with senior management from CORIX on October 22, 2019 at the Schubert Centre. Feedback was positive from the 65+ residents who attended and further meetings will be scheduled with CORIX to ensure residents are informed on a timely basis of ongoing changes, improvements and any other issues with the utility.

LECA hosted the usual annual events; the Family Beach BBQ on July 20, 2019 and the Adult Potluck held August 22. These enjoyable events are only possible through the work of our volunteers.

LECA improved its existing website with a much more user friendly format and input accessibility. We are fortunate to have had that work done by a volunteer, who is managing the site free of charge, www.leca-vernon.ca

LECA took the lead role, from a community standpoint, for CLE's FireSmart Committee. Following completion of a walk-about of CLE by the City of Vernon Fire Dept., the subsequent Wildfire Hazard Assessment Report is posted on LECA's website for your information. We encourage you to read it as it pertains to every resident in our interface community.

LECA replaced the existing "Welcome Card" with a Tri-Fold Brochure. The card had very small print that was difficult to read and content changes were also required. The brochures are available by contacting lecasecretary@gmail.com

The CLE Parkland remains an ongoing work in progress with the City's Parks Planning Dept. The City completed one stretch of fencing delineating the Parkland from the Haven B&B. However, LECA has been unable to obtain a definitive date from the City regarding continuation of construction on the park.

Given the current unprecedented situation with Covid-19, this project may be on hold for a while longer.

Thank you to all of the Board members who have served with me the past year, it was a pleasure. To our outgoing Board members, all the best in your future endeavours.

Isabel Furtado,
President

Membership Report

The Association for the last year had 222 members and growing! The support of these members is appreciated and key to meeting the role of the Association.

One of the benefits of LECA membership is being kept up to date to on all the latest community news and happenings. It has been a pleasure to make sure all our members receive these pertinent updates.

As more people move into the neighbourhood we encourage our members to share your experience as a LECA member with your neighbours, who may not have yet joined. This is extremely helpful to grow our Association.

And we appreciate all the support in building a great community.

Patricia Trail,
Membership

Social Report

Again this year LECA held its two annual social events, the Family Beach BBQ in July and the Adult Pot Luck in August.

Family Beach BBQ: This was a big success although the weather did not cooperate. The Pinata was a big hit as was the sand art that all the kids participated in and were each able to take home a permanent keepsake piece of art. Thank you to the volunteers and to all who braved the overcast skies and came out to watch the fun and enjoy the BBQ lunch.

Adult Pot Luck: Turnout was great, perfect weather, an amazing array of delicious food, as usual. There was lots of socializing and great live music by our neighbourhood minstrels. Thank you to all who attended with their contributions to the food tables and to the volunteers and organizing committee for all their hard work.

Cheryl Kukkola

Resource Report

Once again we enjoyed another great year at our beach facilities thanks to the tremendous efforts of our neighbourhood volunteers.

Last season we were able to conduct some repairs to the boat dock along with the installation of some additional dock bumpers. The swimming dock still needs some fascia boards replaced and both docks need a coat of stain. We also had to repair some of our anchor chains for the slide and some of the swimming area buoys. We may need some additional attention in this area again this coming season.

Through the initiative and hard work over a 2 day period, from a couple of very dedicated volunteers, rock chips were placed and compacted along the beach area and path from the boat launch to the asphalt walkway. We will be adding new sand to the beach area this year.

Although new trees were not planted on the beach area this past season, this will be something that will be assessed this coming year.

At this time the water levels are quite low, this would be a great time to secure the loose ropes under the docks except for the social distancing in place right now.

Thanks again to all the volunteers that got involved in 2019 as we look forward to an enjoyable 2020!

Kevin Trail

Treasurer's Report

This report is more detailed than past reports in lieu of the AGM that was to be held April 29 and postponed due to outbreak of COVID-19 and social distancing.

Revised By-Laws and Changes to the Societies Act (BC):

Nixon Wenger Lawyers prepared and filed LECA's revised Bylaws on November 1, 2018.

Comparison of the new Bylaws vs the old Bylaws shows that there were no changes to the standard Bylaws.

The changes were made to the Act, itself: The most important policy change is that the new Act distinguishes societies that are "member funded" from the majority of societies that are charities or that otherwise rely on public donations or government funding. Member funded societies (such as LECA) are subject to fewer disclosure and accountability measures as set out in Part 12 of the new Act. For example, they do not need to provide public access to their financial statements. This will ease the regulatory burden on privately-funded societies so they can function more efficiently.

One of the objectives was to keep the new Act simple and straightforward, so that it could be effectively used by all participants in the non-profit sector, including those without legal counsel.

Membership Dues:

LECA has received several requests from members wishing to pay by electronic transfer. LECA has put this in place with RBC and instructions are included in the notice of membership fees for 2020/2021 sent to members on April 1, 2020.

Financial Statements:

At March 31, 2020, LECA had a healthy cash balance of \$13,851.56 and total GIC's of \$47,989.37. Monies held in the GIC's represent a "Contingency Fund" to be used if there are insufficient funds in the current operating account to maintain and/or repair existing Beach facilities as per the Easement Agreement with the Developer. (example: swim & boat docks, boat ramp, washrooms building).

Total Income was \$23,365.24 (not far off the amount budgeted)

LECA went over budget on a few expenses but overall made a save of \$10,748.39.

Communications: over by \$463.89 due to cards and brochures that were printed to inform owners and generate more members.

Washroom maintenance: in previous years LECA was fortunate to have washrooms and beach maintained by volunteers. LECA can no longer expect volunteers to clean washrooms and hired someone to perform those services. This will be the expectation going forward.

BC Hydro: this is beyond LECA's control

Insurance: Premiums for both policies have increased. LECA and insurance representative to do a site visit this year to ensure that beach assets are sufficiently insured.

Proposed Budget for 2020/2021:

Beach Maintenance: \$5,000 has been allocated for landscape, dock maintenance, inspection & replacement of swim buoys, and other recurring maintenance

Washroom maintenance: \$2,800 has been allocated for washroom cleaning and beach weeding by a third party from May 1-Sep 30/20

Physical Resources: \$3,500 allocated for milfoil preventive maintenance, fresh sand and slinger service

Miscellaneous: Room rental has been removed from Miscellaneous and has its own budget line. \$1,000 has been designated for Wildfire preparedness - to clear fallen and dead trees or shrubs from the S-curve leading to the beach and freehold common property not covered by the City.

Should you have any questions regarding this Report, LECA encourages you to contact lecatreasurer@gmail.com.

Danielle Lindholm,
LECA Treasurer