



2016 Annual General Meeting

10:00 am on Saturday, March 18th, 2017
Baker's Hill Banquet Hall,
Peterborough

Unapproved Minutes

1. **The meeting was called to order** at 10:09am, and a quorum was declared with 6 of 8 Clubs represented. The secretary reported that there was a total of 28 in attendance, with 54 proxies registered for a total of 84 votes.

President Bruce Leonard presented his opening remarks; welcoming everyone & thanking them for their continued support within the rallying community.

2. **Approval/Changes to the Agenda** – Guest speaker David Moes to discuss HAM radio and how the distracted driving laws will affect it going forward. David will present during the discussion period at the end of the AGM.
Approved as amended. M/S Derek Vincent (MLRC)/Louis Carbados (PMSC). Unanimous. Carried.

3. **Introduction of the 2016 Board of Directors and Executive**
RSO President Bruce Leonard introduced the Board and then had everyone in the room introduce themselves & which Club/position they were representing.

4. **Approval of the minutes** of March 19th, 2016 AGM
Approved as written. Justin Cohen (MLRC)/Martin Loveridge (KWRC). Unanimous. Carried.

5. Director's Reports

All Directors Reports were available ahead of time on the RSO website, as well as included in the Delegates Package.

Bruce Leonard (MLRC & RSO President) wished to thank Peter Gulliver for his 10 years as RSO Treasurer.

Bruce also wished to add that the Growth Committee have been working hard to try & improve exposure of the sport. The recent outing (March 2017) to Motorama was very successful & a lot of people volunteered their time to help out with this project.

Darin Mayes was congratulated for stepping into the Navigational VP role well this past year as well as developing the new RSO website.

M/S Bryce Deathe (SPDA)/Dietmar Seelenmayer (TAC). Unanimous. Carried.

6. Financial Reports

Dennis Wharton – Reviewer of the Books – allowed delegates time to read the report and responded to any questions.

Some discussion of the financial reports.

Biggest topic of discussion was with regards to Road Damage Costs – Several years ago Road Damage cost was less than income. In recent years these costs have increased considerably. It was suggested that further discussion after the AGM on Road Damage Costs may develop some ideas on how to combat it becoming an issue for the sport.

It was noted that perhaps in the future, Road Damage Fund be shown on the ledger as opposed to it just being called General Reserve Fund. The GRF should possibly be split into 1. Road Damage Fund and 2. Other.

Pete Gulliver (PMSC) moved for acceptance of the RSO Financial Statements, seconded by David Maynard (MLRC). All in favour. Carried.

7. Old Business – Nothing to discuss

8. Confirmation of the Acts of the Board

M/S Ross Wood (MLRC)/Brian Maxwell (TAC). Unanimous. Carried.

9. **New Business** – No new business for the AGM. Several items for discussion after the meeting.

10. Elections

a. **President (two year term)**

Bruce Leonard was nominated by Jane Leonard (MLRC)/Justin Cohen (MLRC)

No other nominations.

Bruce Leonard accepted.

Bruce Leonard acclaimed.

b. **VP Performance (two year term)**

Warren Haywood was nominated by Kelly Mathew (MLRC)/Bryce Deathe (SPDA)

No other nominations

Warren Haywood accepted.

Warren Haywood acclaimed.

c. **Treasurer (two year term)**

David Maynard was nominated by Martin Loveridge (KWRC)/Justin Cohen (MLRC)

No other nominations

David Maynard accepted.

David Maynard acclaimed.

d. **Trustee (three year term)**

Stephen Deneka was nominated by Ross Wood (MLRC)/Jane Leonard (MLRC)

Peter Watt was nominated by Pete Gulliver (PMSC)/Justin Cohen (MLC)

Brian Maxwell was nominated by Louis Carbados (PMSC)/Dietmar Seelenmayer (TAC)

Brian appreciated the nomination but respectfully declined.

The members voted in favour of Stephen Deneka.

Stephen Deneka accepted.

Stephen Deneka acclaimed.

11. Appointment of Reviewer of the Books

Dennis Wharton has stepped down from this position. It was discussed that it is not something that needs to be decided today, and as the position is appointed not elected, no vote is needed. However, Pete Gulliver suggested Jane Leonard as the reviewer of the books & all members were in agreement. Jane Leonard (MLRC) was appointed Reviewer of the Books.

12. Adjournment

M/S Peter Watt (PMSC)/Louis Carbados (PMSC) moved that the meeting be adjourned. Carried.
AGM adjourned at 11:05am.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & DISCUSSION

1. Guest Speaker – David Moes, Peterborough Amateur Radio Club

Amateur Radio operators in Ontario have had a time-limited exemption under the Highway Traffic Act's Distracted driving regulations, allowing the use of mobile 2-way communications apparatus until January 1, 2018. Permanent exemption has been granted in all provinces and territories in Canada except Ontario. The Radio Amateurs of Canada is spearheading the effort to lobby the MTO to make the exemption under the Highway Traffic Act (HTA) Regulation 366/09 permanent to all certified Amateur Radio operators.

They are asking for the help of Clubs & communities that rely on the use of Amateur Radio operators to function efficiently. The request was made for RSO affiliated Clubs, event organizers and individuals to write to the parties involved and outline the importance of Amateur Radio operators in the sport & community.

More information can be found through the RSO Clubs or Board of Directors; including the addresses which correspondence should be sent. We would like to encourage all Clubs and event organizing teams to send letters.

The RSO Board will also send a letter explaining the importance of Amateur Radio Operators to every aspect of our sport.

2. Road Damage

The discussion came about because for 2017 the Lanark Highlands Forest Rally organizing team is having a few problems with regards to road damage costs & it's discussion with the local council.

Suggestions on how to combat increasing road damage costs:

- Look into new locations for events – more rally friendly
- In Quebec, the national events pay their own road damage costs – there is no fund that competitors contribute to
- Get local involvement – local sponsorship at the event – this will encourage local community to be invested in the event & will have more influence with the councils.

3. Announcements

- a. Apr 22 – KWRC SNATR
- b. Apr 29 Spring Run Off – have route, just no start location at moment
- c. LHFR – Still in negotiations but hope to have the event running
- d. May 20 Blossom Rally & SNATR #2
- e. Rally of the Voyageurs – Using single road as in past years. New service location & can't use the quarry.
- f. Future of the Timing Equipment – The Newells take great care of our equipment. Christine can repair everything other than the clocks. There are 2 more that need some repair this year. The vehicle tracking equipment is currently tracking within 2/10ths of a second of the timing equipment – is this the future of timing with manual as back up?

Meeting closed at 12:17pm