

Black Loyalist Heritage Society Minutes of Annual General Meeting Held Sunday, July 10, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.

Board Members Present

Darlene Cooper, President Sheila Hartley-Scott, Vice-President Garet Lawrence, Treasurer Barb Falk, Secretary Kelley Bruce

Staff Members in Attendance: Andrea Davis. Executive Director

Kelly Davis, Executive Assistant

Board Members Regrets: Graham Nickerson

Vanessa Hartley

Board Members Absent: Trudy McFarlane

Shanice McFarlane

Guests in Attendance: Gloria Peters, Grant Thornton Accountants

Members at Large: Stew Cooper Hank Falk

Juanita Shortliffe Donnie Shortliffe

1. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order at 1:43 pm by President/Chair Darlene Cooper.

2. WAIVER OF NOTICE

The Chair called for a waiver of the meeting deal and declared that all Directors were consulted have hereto consented to this meeting being held in the forum presented at the above time and place and hereby waived notice of the meeting and of any irregularities or informalities in the holding thereof and do ratify, acquiesce and confirm the business transacted by the said meeting was duly constituted for the transaction of business before the Board of Directors.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

The call for approval of the July 10, 2022 Agenda for the Black Loyalist Heritage Society (BLHS) Annual General Meeting (AGM) was undertaken.

a. MOTION to accept the BLHS AGM Agenda as presented was made by Shiela Hartley-Scott and SECONDED by Barb Falk. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Land Acknowledgement was read by Andrea Davis.

5. APPROVAL OF 2021 AGM MINUTES

The Annual General Meeting Minutes dated August 23, 2021 were presented as written (with no errors or omissions) and reviewed by all in attendance:

a. MOTION to accept the BLHS ADM Minutes dated August 23, 2021 was made by Garet Lawrence; SECONDED by Barb Falk. ALL IN FAVOR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

6. PRESIDENT'S / BLHS CENTRE 2021-2022 ANNUAL REPORT

Darlene Cooper presented the Annual 2021-2022 President's Report. (see attached)

 a. MOTION to accept the President's/Centre 2021-2022 Annual Report was made by Garet Lawrence; SECONDED by Kelley Bruce. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

7. TREASURER'S REPORT

Garet Lawrence introduced Gloria Banks who is the Account Lead on our file from Grant Thornton. Ms. Banks presented our audited statements and noted that our financial position as an organization is very strong. Ms Banks also highlighted that as an organization we should look at building a sustainable strategy to offset our funding model.

a. MOTION to accept the Treasurer's Report highlighting the Black Loyalist Heritage 2021-2022 Audit and Financial Statements was made by Garet Lawrence; SECONDED BY Sheila Hartley-Scott. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

8. APPOINTMENT OF AUDITORS

The appointment of Grant Thornton as the Auditors for the Black Loyalist Heritage Society for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 was presented:

a. MOTION to appoint Grant Thornton LLP as the Auditors for the Black Loyalist Heritage Society for the Fiscal Year 2022-2023 was made by Darlene Cooper; SECONDED BY Sheila Hartley-Scott. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

9. PRESENATION OF THE 2022-2023 NOMINATIONS FOR BOARD DIRECTORS

The five (5) nominees for new members of the BLHS Board of Directors were presented by Kelley Bruce, Chair, Nominations Committee as follows:

- 1. Belle Goulden
- 2. David Levy
- 3. Laurie Jacklyn
- 4. Darren Jacklin
- 5. Paul Blades
 - a. MOTION to accept all five (5) nominees as BLHS Board of Directors was made by Kelley Bruce; SECONDED BY Garet Lawrence. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

10. OTHER BUSINESS

A call for Other Business was put to the floor the requests were presented:

- a. A request by the President of an acknowledgement of members of the community that have passed during this year.
- b. A request that Membership be notified of the New Slate of Directors for the upcoming year be completed within a month. This notification will be included on the BLHS website with a photo and short biography for each BLHS Director.

11. DATE OF NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:

A call to set the date for the next Annual General Meeting was made by Darlene Cooper.

a. MOTION to accept JUNE 25, 2023 as the date for the Next Annual General Meeting of the Black Loyalist Heritage Society was made by Barb Falk; SECONDED BY Garet Lawrence. ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

a. MOTION to adjourn was made by Shiela Hartley-Scott; SECONDED by Barb Falk, ALL IN FAVOUR – MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY. Annual General Meeting for 2021-2022 was adjourned at 3:20 p.m.

Recording Secretary: Kelley Bruce