



## Minutes – NPS Board Meeting

Date: August 19, 2016

12 St. Andrew's Pl., St. John's, 6:00 pm.

1.) In attendance: Jack, Jim, Pam. Phone-in: Korrine, Jessica, Emily

Missing: Cindy

2.) **Adoption of agenda as amended.** (order of items revised as Jess had to leave early)  
**- Moved by Jim, Jessica seconded. MOVED.**

### 3.) Standing Reports

**President's Report:** Jack has consulted with the entire council and has decided to accept the offer of interim president until the end of the term as requested by council members. This is in accordance with the constitution. **Pam moves that Jack Harris be selected to fill the position of president of NPS until the end of the term. Korrine seconded. MOVED unanimously.**

A meeting with the new minister responsible Fisheries, Forestry and Agrifoods Steve Crocker has been set up to discuss issues relating to NPS. Jack and Cle will attend and update us on it.

Sarah submitted her letter of resignation. It is with regret that Council accepts her resignation and would like to thank Sarah for her hard work and dedication to the ponies for the last couple of years. **Jim moves that Sarah's resignation be accepted. Pam seconded. MOVED.**

Jack to finish reviewing the minutes of the AGM and get presented to council asap for approval and posting on the website.

**Membership report:** Jack reports 8 new memberships totalling 11 votes and including 3 pony owners since the last meeting. Jack reminds council that only members in good standing as of August 31, 2016 can vote in the upcoming election. **Jack moves the membership report. Jim seconded. MOVED**

**Jessica had to leave.**

**Treasurer's report:** A third quarter report will be available after September. NPS has received a sizeable donation from the Estate of Sonya Lyttle. Discussion ensued as to the best use of the funds. In the interim, Pam will explore a cashable GIC for the donation in order to accrue interest while we determine the best use. NPS has been asked to participate in the sale and distribution of pony wreaths handmade by Hodge River Nursery again this year. A note will go out to members asking for help with the paperwork and distribution of the wreaths. **Treasurer's report moved by Pam. Jim Seconded. MOVED**

## **Registry report**

Pam submitted a registry report as Cindy was not available. The report outlines questions regarding the status of a number of registrations and transfers. Jack has been asked to follow up with Cindy for more information. The DNA grant is not posted on the website and needs to be dealt with.

**4.) Minutes of the last meeting** - Minutes of the last meeting are unavailable. Waiting for Sarah to finish them up and distribute.

**5.) Adoption of the Minutes** - deferred until we receive them from Sarah.

**6.) Business arising** - deferred until we receive the minutes from Sarah.

**7.) Fall Election** – Jack has potentially identified a person to chair the fall election. The candidate is not affiliated in any way with NPS and is not a pony owner. Council discussed the need for total impartiality and feels that the candidate might be a good choice. Jack will investigate further.

Jack will prepare and distribute a notice to members dating back to 2012 informing them of the upcoming election and that they must be members in good standing as of August 31, 2016 in order to be eligible to vote in the upcoming election. Pam will handle all snail mail notices.

**8.) Newsletter** – Jack and Pam to discuss the newsletter and report back to council.

**9.) Meeting with Harrison Verge** – Jack & Jim met with Mr. Verge to discuss a complaint he made against a council member in relation to an internal document inadvertently shared. Discussion ensued amongst Council and unanimous agreement was reached that all future correspondence by Council members in any format should be held to the highest professional standards. Jack to talk with Mr. Verge to inform him of Council's action taken on this matter.

**Adjournment 7:30pm**