

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE MCILWRAITH
FIELD NATURALISTS OF LONDON ONTARIO INCORPORATED
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18, 2011
CIVIC GARDEN COMPLEX, LONDON, ONTARIO**

1.0 Motions

1.1 Moved by Don Lodge, seconded by Jack Lorimer, that the McIlwraith Field Naturalists Financial Reports for 2009/2010 be accepted as circulated. Carried.

1.2 Moved by Don Lodge, seconded by Anita Caveney, that Michael A. King, C.A., be appointed as auditor for McIlwraith Field Naturalists for the fiscal year 2010/2011. Carried.

1.3 Moved by Anita Caveney, seconded by Ann White, that the 2011/2012 Board of Directors be elected as presented. Carried.

2.0 Call to Order:

Don Lodge, Treasurer, called the 2011 Annual General Meeting to order at 9:10 PM. 38 Members were present.

3.0 Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting:

The Minutes of the 2010 Annual General Meeting were reviewed. Moved by Bob McGee, seconded by Carol Agocs, that the minutes of the Annual General Meeting of February 19, 2010 be accepted as circulated. Carried.

4.0 Treasurer's Report:

Don Lodge, Treasurer, presented the 2009/2010 audited Financial Statements. MFN assets totalled \$95,039. Investments totalled \$37,902 and the cash position is \$28,479. The revenue for 2009/2010 was \$45,939. The largest sources of revenue were donations and membership fees. Donations specifically designated for legal costs for two OMB hearings (Significant Woodlands and Debbie Lane) totalled \$13,365. The total expenses for 2009/2010 were \$53,395. The major expenses were \$20,759 for the legal costs for the two OMB hearings noted above. MFN deficit for the year was \$7,456. MFN paid a total of \$605 in affiliation fees and made donations of \$12,650 to various conservation initiatives. The largest donation was \$10,000 to the Thames Talbot Land Trust in their effort to acquire the Tanager Tract which is a 40 hectare parcel of land in a forest complex known as West Lorne Woods. *Moved by Don Lodge, seconded by Jack Lorimer, that the McIlwraith Field Naturalists Financial Reports for 2009/2010 be accepted as circulated. Carried*

5.0 Appointment of Auditors:

Moved by Don Lodge, seconded by Anita Caveney, that Michael A. King, C.A., be appointed as auditor for McIlwraith Field Naturalists for the fiscal year 2010/2011. Carried.

6.0 Election of the Board of Directors:

6.1 Presentation of the Board of Directors for 2010/2011.

Anita Caveney, Chair of the Nominating Committee, presented the roster of nominations for the 2011/2012 Nature London Board of Directors.

The following members were put forward:

Carol Agocs
Rick Martin
Gail McNeil
Blaine Prentice
Pete Read

Will Lyons
Bob McGee
Roslyn Moorhead
Sue Read
Herb Bax

There were no nominations from the floor. *Moved by Anita Caveney, seconded by Ann White, that the 2011/2012 Board of Directors be elected as presented. Carried.*

6.2 The following members have agreed to act in appointed positions:

Karen Auzins, Indoor Meetings Co-ordinator
Betsy Baldwin & Hugh Casbourn, Editors of the *Cardinal*
Hugh Casbourn, Webmaster and Brochure Compiler
Anita Caveney, Ontario Nature Representative
Jim Cushing, Heritage Representative
Ann Day, Membership Secretary
Ken Dimson, Web Host
Ann Henderson, Sales Co-ordinator
Sharon Jorgensen, Volunteer Co-ordinator
Susan Legeza, Cookie and Coffee Co-ordinator
Sandy Levin, Conservation Committee Chair
Shirley Lorimer, Editor, *Guide to the Natural Areas of London & Vicinity*
Dave Martin, Birding Wing Co-ordinator
Rick Martin, Nature Line
Bob McGee, Nature Line
Gail McNeil, Nature Line, and Urban League Representatives
Cathy Quinlan, Middlesex Stewardship Council Representative and Manual Secretary
Pete Read, Middlesex County Woodlands Advisory Committee, Christmas Bird Count Compiler,
and Bird Migration Secretary
Leslie Rockwell, Publicity Administrator
Pat Tripp, Nature in the City Co-ordinator
Bernie VanDenBelt, Thames Talbot Land Trust Representative
Dave Wake, Archivist
Winnie Wake, Archivist and Chimney Swift Liason
Ann White, Butterfly Count Co-ordinator

7.0 Reports from Board Members:

The Directors' and Appointees' Reports were made available to members in the form of hard copy at the AGM as well as a PDF file on the MFN/Nature London website.

8.0 Adjournment:

Moved by Anita Caveney, seconded by Ann White, that the meeting be adjourned.
Carried.

The time of adjournment was 9:27 PM.

Minutes were taken by Bob McGee, Nature London Recording Secretary