

1. Water levels:

- CVCA has done a good job of managing water levels in the system
 - Actions taken in prior years to reduce the leakage of the Belmont dam and log management have been very successful
 - The spring freshet saw lake levels rise to flood levels, even higher than the levels of 2014. This caused some damage around the lake, but other valleys in eastern and more northern Ontario and Quebec suffered much more
 - Belmont Lake level is 23cm over summer set level as of last week

2. The HBM Lakes Association were involved in several areas over the year.

- The main focus over the last year was to encourage members to vote in the municipal election. We asked each candidate to answer specific questions related to lake property owners, organized all candidate meetings and communicated the feedback from the candidates to our members. We chose not to endorse candidates, although we did point out that both Larry Ellis and Hart Webb were BLCA members.
 - Results of the election were
 - Mayor Jim Martin
 - Deputy Mayor David Gerow
 - Councillors Larry Ellis, Hart Webb, Barry Pomeroy
- We have scheduled a special meeting with council next Monday, July 22 at 8:30 to open communications on issues of importance to the lakes such as:
 - Planning, Township budget reviews, support for the CVCA, how to work productively with all levels of government
- Glen MacDonald organized a very productive road maintenance summit in June. We had over 50 attendees, and an excellent exchange of ideas and approaches to private road maintenance
- Little progress has been made on a septic inspection program. We will work with the new council to make progress in this area

3. BLCA runs on volunteers. Our agenda today covers most of the key areas that contribute to our enjoyment of the lake.
 - Fred Bennett keeps track of membership and our finances and will provide an update on our financial situation and forecast for the future.
 - In Evan Meyers' absence, Fred will also give us a summary of road representative successes, along with an update on calendars and the draw for members who renewed their membership early.
 - Donna Peeling and Wendy Vuyk will update you on our program for water testing and some early test results for 2019
 - Brian Deas will provide Katherine Deas' update on our social media, BLCA clothing, fireworks and the regatta
 - Brian Deas will provide an update on the BLCA Golf Tournament, Signage and the Parade of Lights
 - Greg Alexander will provide an update on Marker Buoys
4. I would like to thank the members of the board and all our volunteers for their hard work and significant achievements over the year. In addition to hard work, we have a lot of fun and we get to meet some very interesting and lively cottagers along the way.
5. We are interested in keeping the momentum of accomplishments over the past several years. To that end, it would be very beneficial to have several younger members join the board. Please give some thought to standing for election to the board this year or next.