McRae Beach Association Constitution

- 1) **NAME:** The name shall be "McRae Beach Association Inc.".
- 2) **PURPOSE:** The purpose of the "Association", generally, shall be the organized beautification of the area within the boundaries of the Beach(s) aforesaid; the stimulation of sports & competitions; the encouragement of neighbourliness amongst members; the maintenance of facilities such as roads, parks, etc., for the welfare of members and such other projects as may, in the opinion of the membership, be be advantageously undertaken.
- 3) **MEMBERSHIP:** Membership in the Association shall be divided into two classes as hereinafter set out upon payment of dues:
 - A) Members a cottage owner, where property is owned by 1 or more person(s) whether jointly or otherwise, each shall be considered an owner & the wife or husband or an owner shall be included herein.
 - **B)** Associate Member being an immediate relative (son, daughter, grandchild, their wives & husbands) who customarily partake of the benefits of the beach(s) area attending from time to time on weekends at an established cottage.
 - **C)** Both members & Associate members are entitled to hold office in the executive of the association.
 - **D)** One member from each household which has been a member in good standing (paid dues) for 2 years is entitled to hold office in the executive of the Association.
- 4) **MEETINGS:** The members of the Association shall meet at least once (1) a year (Annual Meeting) on the Labour Day weekend where financial statements will be presented & the election of Officers & amendments to the constitution considered.

5) **OFFICERS**:

<u>President –</u> The President must be a member as defined above, whose duties shall be the chairing of all meetings; being ex-officio member of all committees and the speaker in all business with the public at large unless otherwise directed by the Executive; the President shall hold office for 2 years with the option of a further 2 years. The executive must vote & a majority must be obtained for the extension of an additional 2 year period.

<u>Vice-President(s)</u> – The Vice-President(s) must be a member whose duties shall be that of acting in the place & stead of the President during his/her absence or inability.

<u>Secretary</u>: The Secretary must be a member whose duties will be that of recording the Minutes of all meetings, conducting all correspondence & keeping a roll of membership.

<u>Treasurer:</u> The Treasurer must be a member whose duties will be that of recording all income & expenses of the Association; preparing a financial statement & the collection of dues.

The aforementioned Officers shall be known as the Association Executive, holding office until the next Annual Meeting & shall meet from time to time as required: 4 of their numbers constituting a quorum, and they shall deal with all business of the Association.

- 6) **DUES:** Each household (member) in the Association shall be assessed an annual fee determined at the previous Annual Meeting in accordance with the needs of the Association. At the time of this writing the fee is \$50.00 per household.
- 7) **VOTING:** Each household (paid member) of the Association shall be entitled to 1 vote.
- 8) **QUORUM:** At meetings of the Association, a quorum shall be established when 12 households are present to vote.
- 9) **AMENDING THE CONSTITUTION:** The Constitution shall only be amended at the Annual Meeting of the Association & only when a quorum of 12 votes on any proposed amendment is attained.
- 10) **ELECTIONS:** The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of 3 members not later than 3 weeks prior to the elections who's responsibility shall be to prepare & submit at the Annual Meeting the names of members it considers suitable for the various offices. The President & Secretary shall receive a copy of this list in the interim. Additional nominations may be submitted by any member at the Annual Meeting & if seconded, the person or persons nominated shall have equal consideration with the names submitted by the Nominating Committee. The Nominating Committee or any member nominating a member for office must first have received the consent of that member to stand for election.
- 11) **CONSTITUTION:** The Constitution shall come into force on the 2nd day of September 1950 & shall remain in force until ratified, revised or rejected at the Annual Meetings of the Association, and all business of the Association conducted to date shall be deemed to be in conformity herewith.
- 12) **CONSTITUTION:** This Constitution shall come into force as at Sept. 6, 2015 as agreed at the Annual Meeting & governs all Association business hereinafter.

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