

Annual Report of House & Property Committee

This past year we have been fairly active in attending to the needs of our facility. Before I briefly outline some of what has been accomplished since our last AGM. I would like to express a sincere thank you to all, our members who have graciously assisted in keeping our facility operational.

We have had a very busy year. We have assisted in attaining quotes for grants to redo the downstairs and improve our front entrance and we are working on attaining quotes for barrier free access. While we await to see if we are successful in these applications we have been given a few grants this year and we have seen a lot work completed.

We applied for a grant to renovate our kitchen. We were advised earlier this year that this grant was approved and most of the work for that grant has been completed. In May, the kitchen was emptied of everything and the existing cupboards and floor removed. New cupboards were ordered and installed as well as a new floor laid. The lights in the kitchen were changed out to LED lights and a new cooler was installed. We would like to thank Brian Mann, Bruce Turnbull and Harold Pothier for completing most of this work as well as the ladies who packed up and returned everything to the kitchen once it was completed. As you can all see and appreciate, we now have a relatively up to date kitchen. We would also like to thank those who assisted us in getting the new cooler up to the second floor level.

This past year was the first year that we introduced a Building Improvement Fund. We are pleased to report that from those

funds we were able to install new ceiling tiles and LED light on the main floor. We now have better lighting and a new ceiling. We have also closed of the old ventilation ducts that were on the roof. This should help in maintaining more heat in the building.

The ceiling in the ladies washroom downstairs had the ceiling tiles replaced and the tiles in the mens washroom was painted. The lights in both of the these washrooms were removed and replaced with LED lights.

The lights over the ice surface were all changed out to LED lights. Thanks to everyone that came out to help complete this task. Your assistance was greatly appreciated.

Most recently we have had parking spaces drawn out and marked in our parking lots. There are over 50 parking spaces that have been identified. We would ask that you park in them accordingly. It should also be noted that the roadway is now along the side of the building, therefore there should be no parking against the building. Plans are also underway to improve the gravel parking area at the rear of the building for additional parking spaces.

We have attended to several requests for minor repairs when they have been brought to our attention. We have painted the walls and ceiling in the stairway to the kitchen and are hoping to have the front entry stairwell painted in the near future.

We are aware of the glass panel that has been broken in the display between the two washrooms downstairs and are working on getting that replaced.

We are also actively pursuing to acquire a small portion of land from the Town of Kentville so that we would properly own the

front of the building. This requires an up to date survey of the property and providing a couple of easements to for our neighbours to access their driveway and the Town of Kentville and Municipality of the County of Kings to have access for underground service infrastructure.

As you can see there has been a tremendous amount of work completed. Most of this work has been accomplished with financial assistance from grants of which we are thankful for. Without the grants we would not have been able to accomplish what has been done.

I would like to thank everyone that was involved including those behind the scenes that have made this possible. I know that there have been many that assisted in this work.

For many years, Glen Jefferson looked after picking up consumable supplies and this year advised us that he would no longer be carrying on with this practise. We would be remiss if we did not take the time to express our sincere gratitude to him for attending to these needs over the years. The practise of acquiring consumable supplies has been taken over by Jim Houghton and Harold Pothier. If there is someone interested in doing this please let us know.

As you are aware, we do have some limited janitorial services being provided by JanKing. While this is limited to service once a week, there has been many of you that have attended to the cleaning of our club. In particular, I think we would be remiss if we didn't thank our seniors group who have volunteered to attend to the daily cleaning over the past year. This coming year we would again seek assistance in carrying out this practise. If you are able to help it is greatly appreciated.

Respectfully submitted,

Harold Pothier