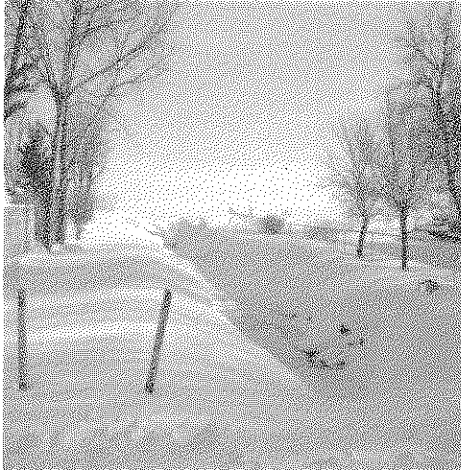


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President's Message



Hello Cottagers,

It has been a glorious fall and it seems strange to see the snow flakes!

The spring and summer began with a membership drive with Lisa (mainly) and Kathy Squair walking door to door delivering membership forms.

Our LBRA July meeting was well attended and informative and our association is strong at 85 members. Councillors Bill Barlow and Glen

Brooks were in attendance and were able to provide information and answer questions on issues such as waste management and land drainage works with Loni Beach being 84th on the Public Works land drainage "to do" list. We also learned that the new Regional Sewage Treatment Plant is complete and has now been operating since August, 2007. The recycling program offered by conerstore enterprises will offer curbside pick up of recyclables placed in blue bags only.

A proposal for a gravity sewer system for Loni Beach was introduced and an involved discussion ensued. Councillor Bill Barlow indicated that if a clear message or position favouring the gravity sewer system proposal was sent to Council, this would initiate a process of investigating access to all available funding to offset the costs and would begin the process of establishing a Local Improvement for the sewer.

Copies of the gravity sewer system proposal and a petition were circulated in Loni Beach by some members of the LBRA going door to door during the summer. The petition stated support for the development of a Local Improvement District (LID) to provide for the installation of the gravity sewer system in Loni Beach. (Please refer to the attached copy of the sewer proposal.) As with any door-to-door campaign, some residents were not available to view the proposal or sign the petition but every effort was made to contact as many residents as possible.

As a result, a petition containing the names of 95 Loni Beach property owners was presented to the RM of Gimli Council on September 26, 2007 and the administration was subsequently directed to proceed with the preliminary work required to create an LID for the gravity sewer system.

As this process continues, it will be managed by the RM of Gimli and as such all property owners must be informed in writing of all future meetings and proceedings related to establishing the LID for the sewer system. This will ensure that all affected residents will

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have the opportunity to learn the details of the proposal and provide input or comment. The LBRA executive will do whatever is necessary as directed by the membership to provide information about the sewer system, details of the LID, grant monies that might be available and methods for residents to participate in the decision making process.

On a lighter note, the green space directly south of and adjacent to the tennis courts has been cleared, filled and seeded by the RM as part of the first phase of creating a new park space for Loni Beach. The RM has committed to placing a play structure and swings in this space during the spring/summer of 2008. Two of our members, Leanne Squair and Tracy Moroz are spearheading this project, working with the RM to design the site and select the play structure equipment.

The new RM Councillor representing Loni Beach is Brian MacKenzie, effective November, 2007. As an Association, we will look to him for leadership and information, especially with accessing part of the 2.5 billion dollars of funding for Sewer Issues announced by the Doer Government on Nov. 20, 2007. One of the key government concerns is the health of Lake Winnipeg which is a shared concern of the residents of Loni Beach. As an Association, the LBRA has financially supported the Lake Winnipeg Water Stewardship group for a number of years.

Waiting for the first dip in the lake of 2008 and wishing all residents of Loni Beach a peaceful holiday with family and friends.

Cheers,
Lisa Squair

RM of Gimli Councillors' Areas of Responsibility for the Next Year

Ross Bailey	Siglavik to Centre Ave. South
Brian Mackenzie*	Centre Ave North to Camp Morton (Loni Beach)
Bill Barlow	Camp Morton to Arnes /Silver Harbour
Glen Brooks	Sandy Hook to Siglivik

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PASSAGES

We express our sympathy to the family of Eric Goodmanson who passed away this year.

Congratulations to Guy Maddin on the birth of his grand-daughter Ava Jane McGillivray. Herdis Maddin is the great Amma.

WELL DONE!

Carol Leszoz won the Grinspoon-Steinhardt award in Winnipeg for excellence in Jewish Education!

CHECK IT OUT!

Here are a couple of websites of interest to Loni Beach Association members:

http://au.groups.yahoo.com/group/Loni_2002/

This is not an official LBRA website, but has some interesting information. You must sign up as a member of this website to view the information on this page.

<http://www.gimli.ca/>

There are minutes of all RM of Gimli Council meetings and also a link to the latest Spectator.

