

FAQ's re the Caretaker's Site Process

When will we make the decision?

The volunteer Task Force will produce a Report for the Board of Directors of the Madawaska Club at Go Home Bay that will be circulated prior to the Annual General Meeting in May 2020, and reviewed again in the Summer meeting of August 2020. The precise mechanism for making the decision will be informed by the process of the next year and a half and circulated to the community prior to the Annual General Meeting in 2020.

On what basis will we make the decision?

The work plan and proposed template for the Report for the Board and the Community can be viewed on the community's website at <http://www.gohomebay.org/>. Click on the three bars on the top right corner, and then click on Caretaker's Site link. Options evaluated through this process will range from ideas of various types of uses generated by consultations with members of the community and tested as pilots until 2020, to tear down of the existing house, to severance and sale of the house. Options in the Final Report will be described, with full costing, and an assessment of risks, liabilities and opportunities.

Where do I find out what's happening?

Formal quarterly updates on the progress of the Task Force can be viewed on the community's website at <http://www.gohomebay.org/>. Click on the three bars on the top right corner, and then click on Caretaker's Site. New activities and findings are also shared through the MadMail, the Community Calendar on the website and the Madawaska Club at Go Home Bay Facebook page.

Focus groups and discussions are being hosted by Stephanie Evans (756- 1881 sevans@bell.net) and Caroline Duncanson (756-9068 cduncanson@sympatico.ca), throughout summer of 2018, with supplementary surveys. Check the Calendar, MadMail or with Stephanie Evans or Caroline Duncanson for dates.

What does the Site cost to keep throughout this process?

There are costs associated with the land that the House sits upon and costs associated with the maintenance of the house and associated buildings. In the Club's financial accounts, the 53-acre community lot that runs includes the Main Dock, Sailing Facilities and the Caretakers House is taxed and treated as one. This property and account includes operating and maintenance expenses related to the Main Dock, Sailing Building, Regatta Beach, Caretakers House, Workshop, Old Store.

House related Operating Budget 2018

The Budget covers using the Caretakers House and site to hold community focus groups and pilot activities, including the Regatta Party, overnighing the Regatta Band, kitchen facilities for Regatta Dinner, focus groups, arts and crafts exhibits, an environmental presentation, and Truth and Reconciliation Learning Events.

Opening/Closing Costs: \$1,500

Hydro Use: \$1,500

Safety Maintenance: TBD – Use Dependent

Coffee, refreshments for Focus Groups: \$500

Notes:

Safety maintenance would include things like minor dock repair, sealing off rotting stairs to second floor of workshop. Most services are being provided by volunteers this year with no cost to members, eg grass cutting, house cleaning, leadership and supplies for activities.

There is a great deal of volunteer expertise and service showing up!

Land related Operating Budget 2018

Taxes

Managed Forest \$1,097 (2107)

Residential: \$2,238 (2017) [includes Main Dock and House]

Total: \$3,335

Environmental cleanup: There will be costs associated with removing years of debris from the site no matter whether the land is to be retained for conservation purposes, sold, or retained as a community activities site.

What will the Site/House cost in the future?

Right now no one knows. All options will be documented with a professional building assessment, budgets that detail capital costs, implementation and ongoing operational costs if pertinent, together with revenue streams,

assessments of risks, liabilities, benefits and opportunities. Distinctions will be outlined between land costs and building costs.

If I have an idea, what to do with it?

You can join one of the Focus Groups being held by Stephanie Evans or Caroline Duncanson, or other Information Sessions that are being advertised through the Mad Mail or Community Calendar and float your idea there. To move it beyond an idea into a pilot event or activity, or fully developed concept for the Final Report, please contact either one of the Task Force Chairs: Susan Pigott (spigott31@gmail.com 756-1838) or Stoney McCart (stoney@studentscommission.ca or 756-2254). We will send you a Word Version template of the format to flush out your idea and request using the site; using the template makes our job of creating the report easier. Larry Koza (lkoza@cansave.ca 756-4838) has offered to assist anyone wanting to develop a “pitch” and full presentation of their concept.

If I want to use the site, who do I ask?

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I have a question, who do I contact?

Please contact either one of the Task Force Chairs: Susan Pigott (spigott31@gmail.com 756-1838) or Stoney McCart (stoney@studentscommission.ca or 756-2254). Also the ever-growing members of the Task Force Volunteers are listed in the FAQs and on the Caretaker's Tab on the website (<http://www.gohomebay.org/>. Click on the three bars on the top right corner, and then click on Caretaker's Site link). You can for sure find someone in your neighbourhood eager to update and engage you in the process; it seems community members are enjoying meeting different members of the community and the exchanges of ideas.

Who's on the Task Force? How do I join?

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Clara	MacCallum Fraser
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Susan	Pigott
Bill	Riddell
Barb	Stark
George	Wishart

What are the Pilots?

The Pilots are opportunities for interested members to develop ideas and try them out at the site or off-site if there were repair/maintenance costs associated with using the site for the idea. Examples of pilots being executed this summer include the Focus Groups, Pottery Classes (off-site), an Arts and Craft Show, a Conservation Presentation, a Truth and Reconciliation Learning Group, hosting the Regatta Band overnight, Food Preparation for Regatta. Volunteers are also developing concepts for a community garden and an enhanced system of trails.

How do I attend a Focus Group?

Focus groups and discussions are being hosted by Stephanie Evans (756- 1881 sevans@bell.net) and Caroline Duncanson (756-9068 cduncanson@sympatico.ca) at the Caretaker's Site throughout summer of 2018, with supplementary surveys. Check the Calendar, MadMail or with Stephanie Evans or Caroline Duncanson for dates and to let them know you plan to attend.