

Minutes of the May General Meeting of the Kingston Field Naturalists held May 20, 2021, 7:30 p.m., on Zoom

1. Opening Remarks.

President Ken Edwards welcomed everyone to the meeting, introductory slide show had photos taken by Janet and Bruce Elliott at the Helen Quilliam Sanctuary. There was a social before the meeting in the main room, a breakout room held a forum for new members with Erwin Batalla as host.

2. Minutes.

The Minutes for the April 2021 Annual General Meeting were posted on the KFN website. Motion was made by Peter Waycik to accept the Minutes, seconded by Paul Mackenzie; carried.

3. Donation by KFN to Land Conservancy of KFLA Stewardship Fund for the Recently Acquired Rehner Property

The Executive Committee brought forth a request for Membership to consider made by the Land Conservancy of KFLA to KFN to donate money towards a stewardship fund for a recently acquired property known as the Rehner Property. Paul Mackenzie made a presentation on behalf of the Land Conservancy about this 200 acre property recently donated to the Land Conservancy of KFLA, and showed a map of the location, which is near the Fourth Lake Nature Reserve owned by the Quinte Conservation Authority. The property borders on Depot Creek and would add a large section of conservation property to an area with other existing conservation properties, all containing ideal natural habitats. Motion for donation was made by Chris Hargreaves that the KFN donate \$5,000.00 from the Habitat Preservation to the Land Conservancy of KFLA for stewardship of the recently acquired Rehner property, seconded by Anthony Kaduck; carried. Larry McCurdy pointed out that there is currently \$10,000.00 in the Habitat Preservation Fund which will cover the donation.

4. Speaker. John Donihee introduced the Speaker, Joanne Barnaby, whose talk was entitled Strong Like Two People: Drawing Strength From Our Diversity.

John Donihee thanked the Speaker and moderated questions submitted on the sideline text chat.

5. **Members' Observations.** Members observations noted in the sideline chat:
Peter Waycik saw a prairie warbler on Rock Dunder on Monday
Phil Harvey saw 2 ruddy turnstones in Sand Bay
Peter Waycik linked a photo of an eastern tailed blue butterfly that was gray on top, Paul noted that the females are gray on top

Meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m., there were approximately 57 people in attendance.