

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Atlantic Rhododendron and Horticulture Society

The Annual General Meeting of the **Atlantic Rhododendron and Horticulture Society** was held on 7 November 2023 at the Museum of Natural History in person and on ZOOM. The president's report, the financial report, the auditor's statement and the minutes of the 2022 AGM were distributed by email to the membership by email prior to the meeting. The meeting will very brief and was followed by a presentation on Bob Howard on "New Plants and Fresh Ideas" after the AGM. Jim opened the meeting with announcements of new business.

The American Rhododendron Society has asked the ARHS to host the 2025 meeting and the board has agreed. The meeting will be held in Wolfville and the plant sale at the Wolfville market. The meeting is planned for the first week in June. It was suggested that a professional AV person be hired for the event.

As the acting treasurer, Jim Sharpe presented the financial statement showing net assets of \$46,090. Judy Estey moved the report be accepted and the motion was seconded Ruth Jackson. The statements were audited by Chris Hopgood.

The minutes of the 2022 AGM were accepted unanimously.

Nominations for the 2024 ARHS Board: Changes in the board for 2024 include the addition of Judy Estey as the Treasurer. Dennis Crouse and Dennis Steubing have resigned from the board. Although the board now has the minimum number of seven persons a treasurer and a newsletter editor is still needed. Yvonne Chute moved the nominations be accepted and the motion was seconded by Tina Small.

The 2023-24 ARHS Board

President: Jim Sharpe

Vice President: Rebecca Lancaster

Treasurer: Judy Estey

Secretary: Nancy Lewis

Membership Coordinator: Lynn Brooks

Plant Sale Coordinator: Jane Rostek

Member at large: Carol Morrison