

PALMERSTON LAKE ASSOCIATION
5th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING:
10:00 AM July 23, 2022
MINUTES

*Please refer to attached PowerPoint presentation for more details.
Meeting commenced at 10:10; quorum achieved*

PRESIDENT'S WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Andrew Waywell welcomed membership, acknowledging that our lake is in the traditional territory of the Algonquin Anishinaabe people. The PLA offers gratitude to our first nations for their care and teachings about our earth and that we should honour those teachings.

Andrew extends a 'thank you' to everyone for coming today and to Fred Fowler our North Frontenac Township Councillor, for taking the time to attend. General direction was given to membership by Andrew, regarding protocols for asking questions and for voting eg. one vote per property.

PLA Team (Directors and Officers): Andrew introduced the team

MOTION: to approve Agenda for July 23/22

Moved: Rene van Diepen; Seconded by Doug Roberts
Carried

MOTION: to approve Minutes of 2021 AGM

Moved: Rene van Diepen; Seconded by Christina Sass Kortsak
Carried

Questions/comments: no questions

- 1. PRESIDENTS REPORT:** Report delivered by Andrew Waywell.
See PowerPoint presentation for more detail for all reports.
- 2. MEMBERSHIP REPORT:** Robbie Viets reports that we have 47 voting members; 21 associate members - 68 members in total as of today – July 23/22. (the 11 sign ups at the AGM - includes 6 returning voting members plus 2 new voting members as well as 1 returning associate plus 2 new associates)

Questions/comments: there was a question regarding how neighbours/interested people can sign up to join the PLA; Rene reviewed the link on the web page to illustrate the ease in joining the PLA on line.

- 3. FINANCE REPORT:** Leslie Viets delivered the financial report

MOTION: to approve the Financial Report

Moved: by Jim Getman; Seconded by Rene van Diepen

MOTION: to Authorize the Directors to set a Budget according to the needs and resources of the Association

Moved: by Rene van Diepen; Seconded by Doug Roberts

MOTION: to Not appoint an auditor and to not have an audit or review

Moved: by Doug Roberts; Seconded by Liz Jackson

All in favor of these 3 motions; Carried

Questions/comments: a question was posed regarding the new Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act and whether there are financial repercussions for the PLA. The PLA has yet to review the changes to the act in detail (compliance required by October 2024) but likely there is no financial impact due to the size of our organization and the nominal amount of money that is generated.

NOMINATIONS FOR AND ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

Nomination of Andrew as President:

MOTION to approve Nomination of Andrew Waywell as President

Moved: by Jim Getman; Seconded by Christina Sass Kortsak

Carried

Nomination of slate of Directors

MOTION: to approve current Slate of Directors

Moved: by Andrew Waywell; Seconded by Joan Cotton

Carried

Joan Cotton is resigning from her director role after 6 years of participation. Joan has made a wonderful contribution to the PLA especially through her work in developing the NEWSLETTER. Joan will continue to work on this project but not in a leadership role.

There are 2 continuing directors who joined us last year; John Livernois and Christina Sass Kortsak. Thank you for your participation. There are currently 2 openings for directors on the Board – constitution allows for 7-9 directors

Liz Jackson was nominated for directorship, by Robbie Viets with comments regarding the dedicated work that Liz has done on various committees as a volunteer.

MOTION: to elect Liz Jackson as a new PLA director

Moved: by Robbie Viets; Seconded by Christina Sass Kortsak

Carried.

Call for Nominations from the floor — one position open; no volunteers.

Leslie Viets has agreed to continue as secretary/treasurer

COMMITTEE REPORTS: refer to PowerPoint presentation for detail regarding the following Committee Reports

1. LAKE MANAGEMENT PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE REPORT: delivered by Jim Getman.

2. LAKE STEWARD'S REPORT: report delivered by John Viets

Mary Rothfels reported on LOON SURVEY requests that members kindly report loon sightings. Report the maximum number of loons that you see at one sighting on the lake in each month of May June, July and August. eg "In June, I saw 1 loon every day and I saw 2 loons on several days, on one occasion I spotted 4 loons (2 adults and 2 chicks) together at one time". My report will say '4 loons' for the month of June; Apparently our lake could support 4 groups of 2 adults and 2 chicks.

Question from Doug Roberts regarding nesting sites; loons will nest in swampy areas; quiet; nest at water level in reeds; on a bit of shoreline – will see one or 2 eggs per nest; Doug Roberts asked where the biggest patch of Eurasian Milfoil is –off the north shore of Dabney's island; Question by Mary regarding whether people should report new patches? John V. encourages members to report; questions deferred to end of meeting today.

3. WEBSITE: report delivered by Rene van Diepen

4. NEWSLETTER: report delivered by Joan Cotton; 2 posts Winter and Spring; ready to move on and remain as a supportive member

NEW BUSINESS

Liz Jackson – new tree planting and shore restoration; What can we do to help our shoreline after the Derecho Damage?

Unanimous agreement that this is a good idea– perhaps ordering via website; advertising in fall then spring delivery; good way to perhaps attract new members.

QUESTION PERIOD

Ann Valliant Interested in info about who/ what business? could be hired for putting docks in, in the Spring and removal in the fall.

Fred Fowler provided information about the role of a councillor; council responsive to membership particularly when PLA gets its numbers up; eg important issues - mandatory inspection of septic systems; renovation issues re 100 ft set back

CLOSING COMMENTS — Andrew Waywell

Meeting adjourned at 11:30

SOCIAL HOUR GET TOGETHER/Meet and Greet

