

TEMAGAMI LAKES ASSOCIATION

Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes (January 11, 2023)

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Board Attendees: Paul Tamburro, Terry Males, Diane Green, Carol Lowery, Rob Corcoran, Greg Goodman, Nicole Brooker, Alec Morley, Tarik Muzaffar

Minutes: Linda Bangay

1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda:

- moved by Paul; seconded by Rob; carried at 7:38 p.m.

2. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from November 9, 2022:

- moved by Terry; seconded by Carol; carried at 7:38 p.m.

3. Administrative Coordinator Update:

- Highlights since the November 2022 meeting were provided regarding finances, the TLA Headquarters Building, property patrols, and 2023 membership renewals.
- An overview of the “State of the TLA” (December 31, 2022) was also delivered. This focussed on 2022 TLA membership characteristics and income (by budget category).

4. Business Arising from Past Meetings:

(A) COMMITTEE UPDATES:

Finance

- The committee is considering options to increase revenue from the TLA's investment account.

Natural Resources and Environment

- Diane submitted articles for the Winter 2023 issue of the *Temagami Times* on: approaches for controlling invasive species while doing backcountry paddling; and, the progress of some municipalities in Quebec – particularly regarding Eurasian Watermilfoil and the successful implementation of boat washing by-laws and facilities.

- Diane has scheduled a meeting next week with the Municipality of Blue Sea in Quebec, as they have had a boat-washing program in place since 2017, and have a lot of valuable experience to share.
- There was some discussion regarding other initiatives that could be undertaken regarding lake-water quality.

(B) STATUS OF HEADQUARTERS BUILDING:

- On December 15, 2022, Linda spoke with Trish Moussa from the North Bay office of the MNRF. Trish said that our land-use permit (LUP) would be renewed for another two years (to December 31, 2024).
- Along with the TLA's 2023 LUP, notice was received on January 11, 2023 that the MNRF would not be renewing the lease at the end of the current term.
- Before the end of the permit term, the TLA will be required to: (1) take down the current building and other structures; (2) remove the septic system; and, (3) cap the well.
- An extension to the LUP could be issued if we have trouble getting suitable contractors in a timely fashion.
- A notice about the HQ Building was sent to TLA members in the January 2023 update (along with membership renewal reminders).
- In 2023, we'll have to consult with contractors regarding costs and a timeline for the required work.
- The TLA Board will continue to investigate other options for our Headquarters.

(C) PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE TLA'S "ECONOMIC-DEVELOPMENT POLICY":

- In response to some questions during the 2022 AGM, Terry proposed changes to the wording of the TLA's newly-developed "Economic Development Policy". These changes have been circulated to the Board and should increase the clarity of the policy.
- A motion to approve these changes was made by Greg, seconded by Alec, and carried at 8:15 p.m.

(D) TLA "TOWN HALL" (SPRING 2023):

- A "Town Hall" will be scheduled via Zoom to discuss economic development that is occurring on Lake Temagami (e.g., "floating campsites", ice huts, short-term rentals).
- Relevant business owners will be invited to attend and provide an overview of their operations to increase awareness among our members.
- Members will have the opportunity to ask questions and voice their concerns.

5. New Business:

(A) PRESIDENT'S UPDATE:

- Paul had nothing to report in addition to what was discussed above.

(B) WEBSITE IMPROVEMENTS:

- It was suggested that the website could be made more visually appealing by adding further images and videos.
- Carol and Linda will look into some options.

6. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, February 15, 2023 @ 7:30 p.m. via Zoom

7. Meeting Adjournment: moved by Nicole, seconded by Rob, and carried at 8:50 p.m.