

# TEMAGAMI LAKES ASSOCIATION

## Board of Directors' Meeting Minutes (March 15, 2023)

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

**Regrets:** Terry Males

**Minutes:** Linda Bangay

### 1. Call to Order and Approval of Agenda:

- moved by Paul; seconded by Carol; carried at 7:39 p.m.

### 2. Adoption of Meeting Minutes from February 15, 2023:

- moved by Nicole; seconded by Carol; carried at 7:40 p.m.

### 3. Presentation from Mark Stevens of Temagami Forest Management Corporation:

- Mark Stevens, General Manager, provided an overview of the newly-established Temagami Forest Management Corporation (TFMC) and the Temagami Forest. It has taken 10 years to develop this Local Forest Management Corporation, which is one of only three in the province (and is considered a Crown agency).
- He discussed the TFMC Board of Directors, organizational structure, objectives, and first-year accomplishments.
- TFMC objectives are funded by the Crown dues received through timber harvesting in the Temagami Forest. These dues are received directly by the TFMC or placed into a provincial trust fund (that can then be accessed by the TFMC).
- The TFMC Board is currently preparing a strategic plan. This will lead to strategic initiatives to address the mandate of the TFMC.
- Notably, nearly half of the land base in Temagami has been set aside and is not within the harvestable area (production zone) of the Temagami Forest.
- Mark then answered a number of questions.

### 4. Administrative Coordinator Update:

- Highlights since the February meeting were provided re: finances, memberships, the "Underused Housing Tax", and *Temagami Times* (Winter 2023).

## 5. President's Update:

- Paul is looking forward to his last few months as President.

## 6. Business Arising from Past Meetings:

### “TOWN HALL” RE: ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ON LAKE TEMAGAMI:

- A “Town Hall” will likely occur via Zoom in the late spring to discuss economic development that is occurring on Lake Temagami (e.g., “floating campsites”, ice huts, short-term rentals).
- Greg is contacting relevant business owners to invite them to provide an overview of their operations. TLA members will have the opportunity to ask them questions.

## 7. New Business:

### (A) MUNICIPAL UPDATE:

- The CBC TV show, “Still Standing”, may film an episode in Temagami during April/May.
- There are still a number of unknowns regarding the Municipal “Waste Management Plan”.

### (B) COMMITTEE UPDATES:

#### *Natural Resources and Environment*

- Diane said the Invasive Species Centre has a boat-washing station available to rent, but it is expensive and there are likely more effective equipment options.
- The TLA could meet with Councillor Margaret Youngs and other interested parties about alternatives (e.g., a portable, high-pressure washer in Town), since a boat-washing station at the new Marten River rest area may not materialize.
- It was suggested that the TLA’s summer member event could include a local clean-up of Crown land for half a day, followed by lunch at the Headquarters building.
- [Nicole and Linda will submit a letter on the Environmental Registry of Ontario \(ERO\) website regarding proposed restrictions for floating accommodation in the province.](#)

### (C) 2023 FOCA AGM AND SPRING SEMINAR REPORT:

- Rob and Diane attended the FOCA AGM and Spring Seminar on Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>. There was in-person attendance, as well as a Zoom option.
- The event began with an overview of FOCA’s priorities and programs, followed by the AGM and 2022 “Achievement Award” presentations.
- Notably, FOCA dues will remain at 2022 levels.
- Seminar topics of discussion included: the *Ontario Not-for-Profit Corporations Act (ONCA)*; land-use planning and Bill 23 (*More Homes Built Faster Act*); climate readiness; wetland protection; floating accommodations and a proposed tightening of restrictions on their use by the MNRF; FireSmart principles for waterfront properties; tracking the spread of ticks that carry Lyme disease in Ontario; and, biodiversity and resiliency.

**(D) BOARD MEMBER TERMS ENDING ON AUGUST 31, 2023**

- Three seats on the Board of Directors will come open as of September 1, 2023. Three, current Board members are eligible for re-election.
- Linda will send out a message to TLA voting members next week to seek nominations for the Board of Directors (2023-2026).

**(E) UNDERUSED HOUSING TAX (UHT):**

- Some members affected by the UHT filing requirements have requested that the TLA Board send a letter to the Government of Canada.
- Greg will take on this task.

**8. Next Meeting Date: Wednesday, April 12, 2023 @ 7:30 p.m. EDT via Zoom**

**9. Meeting Adjournment:** moved by Nicole, seconded by Rob, and carried at 9:50 p.m.