**DRAFT MINUTES OF 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday May 1, 2024

7:00pm EDT via videoconference

1. **Call to Order and review of the Agenda – Chair**

Dave Taillefer opened the May 1st 2024 Annual General Meeting (AGM) of the CLPOA, a community organization representing around 650 cottages on Chandos Lake. The meeting was recorded and held on the traditional lands of the Mississauga Anishinaabeg.

1. **Minutes from the 2023 AGM**

Chair asked if there are any corrections to the minutes and then accepted Minutes as presented.

1. **President’s Report – Dave Taillefer**

Dave acknowledged the community's contributions, thanked retiring board members Craig Morrison, Lyn Turnbull and Tania Rightmyer, and encouraged members to volunteer and help grow the association's membership.

He also introduced Debbie Kirton, the Treasurer, who was set to discuss the organization's financials.

1. **CLPOA Finances**

Debbie reported the CLPOA'S financial position, highlighting a surplus of $23,667 in 2023 due to better-than-expected advertising sales and budgeted programs. The 2024 budget anticipated a small deficit of $2,500. Debbie also noted that the Association would not increase membership fees due to the surplus. The Financial Review by Rafiq Dosani indicated the financial statements were fairly presented.

* $50 Membership Fee - required 50% of votes cast

Debbie Kirton reported that 98.9% of the votes cast, voted to confirm the $50 membership fee.

* Waiver of audit – required 80% of votes cast

Debbie Kirton reported that 92.5% of the votes cast, voted to waive the need for a full audit.

* Appointment of Rafiq Dosani to conduct Review Engagement – required 50% of votes cast

Debbie Kirton reported that 96.8% of the votes cast, voted to appoint Rafiq Dosani to conduct a Review Engagement.

1. **Board Elections**

Dave Taillefer reported

* the following board candidate was acclaimed for a two year term:

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Debbie Kirton

Debra Anthony

Ed Legzdins

* the following new board candidates were acclaimed for a two year term:

Kristen Davison

Mike Lucassen

Sean Godfrey is stepping aside for personal reasons

* the following individuals will continue their role for a further one year term:

Barry Evans,

Dave Taillefer,

Elspeth Gaukrodger,

John Lovatsis,

Kathy Verduyn,

Michelle Schachtschneider,

Sheila McKinlay

1. **Bylaw Amendments Update**

Planning by-law

The proposed constitutional amendment related to CLPOA’s role in reviewing North Kawartha variance requests was approved with 75.6% of votes cast.

This amendment will allow the CLPOA to advocate for NK Planning to ensure variance requests do not pose a threat to the Chandos environment, while relieving the CLPOA of the obligation to review every application. The CLPOA will continue to urge NK Planning to keep environmental impacts at the forefront of reviews and provide essential information to shoreline property owners to produce informed decisions that will protect the lake in the future.

VP Memberships

The vote on the by-law proposal to revise the Officer role from VP Membership to Vice President at Large was approved with 98.6% of the votes cast.

1. **Mayor Amyotte Update**

Dave provided an update from Mayor Amyotte who was absent due to a death in the family

Dave reported on road rehabilitation projects including the County Road 54 and 620, and assured cottagers the Peterborough Public Health lab would not be closing. He also conveyed there would be a resumption of the septic maintenance program and new regulations for ice fishing on Chandos. Lastly, he shared that a grant had been applied for to create an Electric Vehicle charging station in Apsley and a downtown master plan.

1. **Chandos Lake Outstanding Contributor Award**

Dave presented the Outstanding Contributor Award to Jim O’Shea, who was recognized for his long-term volunteer support of the lake's health and continued social enjoyment. Jim, a former CLPOA President for more than 10 years, has been an active contributor around Chandos for over 20 years, including producing the yearbook, leading environmental initiatives and providing valuable photographs for the yearbook. The award includes a Red Tail handmade engraved paddle, membership in the CLPOA, and recognition in the yearbook and on the website.

1. **Boat Cleaning**

Ed reported on the success of the boat cleaning station, which was launched last year to prevent the spread of invasive species. The station was used almost 300 times in its first year and is set to have a greater presence this year with increased utilization and volunteer availability. Dave invited high school students to volunteer

1. **Jeff Sayers**

Dave introduced Jeff from the Sayers family, who shared the story of the reconstruction of their Sayers Grocery Store after a fire in December 2020. Jeff detailed the challenges his family faced during the reconstruction process and expressed gratitude for the community's patience and support. He also shared photos of the recent opening of their new full-service grocery store, highlighting its features and benefits, including fresh food departments, a bakery, a Deli, and a cafe.

Dave concluded the CLPOA Annual General Meeting without any pending questions, expressing gratitude for the attendees' contributions to the community.

1. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm