



DRAFT MINUTES OF 2026 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday May 5, 2026

7:00pm EDT via videoconference

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

Elspeth Gaukrodger opened the May 5th, 2026, 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.

2. Minutes from the 2025 AGM

Chair reported that the meeting met our quorum requirement of 10% of Members entitled to vote. The 2025 AGM minutes are approved by 100% of voters, 50% required.

3. President's Report – Elspeth Gaukrodger

Elspeth highlighted the Association's focus on community connection, volunteerism, and stewardship of Chandos Lake, recognizing the many volunteers and successful 2025 events and initiatives. Looking ahead, the Association will focus on rebuilding participation, increasing engagement across the lake community, promoting responsible lake use, growing membership and exploring a return to an in-person AGM next year..



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4. Chandos Lake Outstanding Contributor Award

Elspeth presented the **Outstanding Contributor Award** to Norma Nelson. The award recognizes Norma's 8 years as Graphic Layout and Design Lead for the Yearbook. Elspeth thanked Norma for her leadership and commitment. Norma's vision, skill, and hard work have resulted in the wonderful Yearbooks that Chandos cottagers will enjoy for years to come. The Outstanding Contributor Award includes a Red Tail handmade engraved paddle, lifetime membership in the CLPOA and recognition in the yearbook and on the website.

5. CLPOA Finances

Dave Hill, Treasurer Reported

Dave reported the CLPOA'S financial position, highlighting a small operating deficit of \$433. Revenues from Advertising and Sponsorship were up and Membership revenue was down versus the previous year. The 2026 budget anticipates a small deficit of \$7,200. We are in a strong financial position with \$136,600 in reserves. Dave also noted that the Association did not recommend an increase in membership fees due to the surplus. Dave thanked Jeff Franks, our bookkeeper, for the volunteer work he does for the Association.



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- \$50 Membership Fee - required 50% of votes cast
Dave reported that 99% of the votes cast voted to confirm the \$50 membership fee.
- Waiver of Financial Review – required 80% of votes cast
Dave reported that 95% of the votes cast voted to waive the need for a Financial Review.

6. Board Elections

Debbie Kirton, Secretary, reported

- the following board candidates were acclaimed for a two-year term with 100% approval, 50% required:
 - returning board member candidates
 - Debra Anthoney
 - Kristen Davison
 - Debbie Kirton
 - Mike Lucassan
- the following new candidates were acclaimed with 98% approval, 50% required:
 - new board candidates
 - Rick Gadd
 - Jim Garner



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- board members continuing for the remainder of their two-year terms:

Elspeth Gaukrodger

Dave Hil

John Lovatsis

Elaine Dickson

David Jones

Julia Smith

Lyn Turnbull

- Debbie thanked Dave Taillefer who is leaving the board after his terms as Secretary, President and Past President.

- Debbie thanked the 3 retiring board members:

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Sean Godfrey

Edgar Legzdins

7. School Student Representatives

Nicole Lees, principal of Apsley Central Public School, and Jen Schell, school council chair, presented a fundraising initiative for a new playground expected to cost \$150,000-\$200,000 over the next 3-5 years, and invited community support for their upcoming music event on July 25th at the North Kawartha Community Center.



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8. Mayor Amyotte Update

The Mayor provided updates on several key topics including the Townships' septic maintenance program, Short Term Rental policy development, variance permitting processes and challenges with bylaw enforcement issues.

She also praised the recent Lion's Club Home and Cottage Show, which exceeded its goal of 1,000 attendees and nearly 140 vendors and committed to support the CLPOA Boat Cleaning Station by volunteering for an early morning shift.

9. Adjournment

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

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 pm