Minutes of the West Carling Association (WCA) Annual Meeting of Members

Saturday, July 26, 2025, 10:00 am — 12:00 pm

Township of Carling Community Rink

Attendees: Directors: Donna Tucker (Chair), Carol Hodson, Craig Johnston, Bruce MacKay, Cynthia Milburn, Bruce Milburn, Allison Needham, Peter Pook, Steve Vokes, Janis Wade, Richard Wilson, Katherine Yantzi

Regrets: Jay Burford, Tom Betts

1. **Welcome**

   President, Donna Tucker welcomed Members and introduced guests including Councillor Bruce Kelly; Meredith Denning, Executive Director of the Georgian Bay Association and Janet Brough, Senior Development Officer, Georgian Bay Land Trust.

2. **Confirmation of Quorum**

   Donna Tucker confirmed that a quorum had been established.

3. **Guest Presentations**

   Carling Council – Councillor Bruce Kelly provided an update on Council issues including communication improvements, 559 rebuilding, the Tamarack Centre pool, and the new fire hall. He also mentioned the new consultation process for the budget and the review of the noise bylaw.

Georgian Bay Land Trust – Janet Brough, described the purpose and goals of the Land Trust and how it works as well as their many stewardship projects.

4. **Approval of the Agenda**

Motion to Approve the Agenda

Be it resolved that:

The Agenda for this Annual General Meeting of Members is hereby approved as presented without amendment.

So moved by Bruce MacKay and seconded by Carol Hodson. Passed

5. **Approval of Minutes July 27, 2024**

Motion to Approve Minutes

Be it resolved that:

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of Members of July 26, 2025, are hereby approved without amendment.

So moved by Katherine Yantzi and seconded by Bruce Milburn. Passed

6. **Business arising from last Annual Meeting of Members held July 27, 2024**

Donna Tucker reported that the revised bylaws concerning voting rights for Associate Members were reviewed by the Board and agreed they should stand as presented permitting Associate Members the right to vote at annual meetings. Donna asked if there were any other outstanding issues. None were raised.

7. **Approval of actions of the Board of Directors since July 27, 2024**

Craig Johnston read the following motion:

Be it resolved, by Special Resolution, that:

a.) all by laws, resolutions, contracts, proceedings, elections and appointments , enacted, passed, made or taken by the members, directors or officers of the WCA, at any time since the incorporation of the WCA (referred to as the "corporate proceedings) as the same are set forth or referred to in the minutes of the members and directors for the WCA and in the other records of the corporate proceedings, and all acts and proceedings taken by the directors, officers, agents or employees of the WCA under the authority of or pursuant to any of the corporate proceedings be and the same are hereby ratified and confirmed with the effect stated in such corporate proceedings;

b.) and insofar as any such corporate proceeding shall not have been validly enacted, passed, sanctioned, confirmed, authorized or made, the same is hereby for greater certainty enacted, passed, sanctioned, confirmed, authorized, or made, with retroactive effect, and in all other respects with the effect stated in the minutes and records of the WCA.

So moved by Craig Johnston and seconded by Bruce Davidson. Passed

8. Report of the Directors/President's Report and Retiring Director

Donna Tucker introduced the Directors and their roles within the Board. She commented on the many activities in which the Board has been engaged during the last year including; continuing to work to keep phragmites out of Carling, led by Richard Wilson. She noted that we continue to increase our communication with eblasts and our newsletter which has been updated and added a winter issue. We encourage members to submit their stories for all members to read. WCA has a roster of directors that attend Council meetings virtually and in person to keep abreast of Council activities and decisions. Donna reported that Members are always top of mind. To date WCA has 143 primary members and 36 associate members which is comparable to this time last year. Donna thanked the retiring Directors, Nanci Wakeman and Craig Johnston for their many contributions to the Board.

9. Financial Report

Presentation of Financial Statements - Steve Vokes reviewed the Financial Statements provided and noted that WCA was in a good financial position. He advised members that we do not get a professional audit and asked for a motion to approve the waiver of audit and review engagement.

Motion to approve the waiver of audit and review of engagement

Be it resolved, by Extraordinary Resolution, that;

The Members not appoint an auditor and waive any requirement to have an auditor or a review engagement in respect of the WCA financial year ending December 31, 2024.

So moved by Bruce Davidson and seconded by Peter Pook. Passed

10. Georgian Bay Association (GBA)

Richard and Allison reported on current issues including; aquaculture, floating homes and Bill 5. Richard then introduced Meredith Dunning, newly appointed Executive Director of GBA who provided information about herself, and a summary of the many initiatives related to Georgian Bay.

11. Nominating Committee and Election of Directors

Allison Needham reported that the number of directors had been set at 15 and provided the slate of directors 2025/2026 proposed by the Board as follows:

Tom Betts, Jay Burford, Carol Hodson, Tim Keenleyside, Bruce MacKay, Bruce Milburn, Cynthia Milburn, Allison Needham, Peter Pook, Donna Tucker, Steve Vokes, Janis Wade, Richard Wilson, Katherine Yantzi, Briana Zur

12. *Motion to approve the slate of Directors for 2025/2026*

Be it resolved that:

The slate of fifteen (15) directors proposed by the Board of Directors be elected as directors of the WCA, to hold office until the next Annual General meeting of Members.

So moved by Carol Hodson and Allison Needham.

13. Motion to adjourn the 2025 Annual Meeting of Members of the WCA

With no other business Donna Tucker requested a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Be it resolved that:

This 2025 Annual Meeting of Members of the WCA is adjourned.

So moved by Carol Hodson and seconded by Allison Needham. Passed