**Upper Stoney Lake Association**

**[DRAFT] Minutes of Annual General Meeting, Saturday, June 29, 2024 – 10:00am**

**Held in person**

**1.** **Call to Order**

Singing of O Canada

 Brian Bedwell read The Land Acknowledgement under the Williams Treaty 1818-1924.

**2.** **Opening Remarks from USLA President Jocelyn Wyatt**

* Welcome, your Board has been working very hard all winter to bring us to another fun filled,

enjoyable season at our beloved Stoney Lake.

* New Bulletin with special thanks to Jocelyn Wyatt and Sheila Landsmann
* New Rocks and Shoals markers with special Thanks to Donna and Andrew Rork.
* Landing update, new signs what we can and cannot do.
* Dockage issues are not an issue any more with the new municipal 2023 by-law.
* fishing is still banned at Crowe’s and McCracken’s Landing
* The value of knowing how to operate the AED
* Safety first …Automatic External Defibrillator) which is located in the screened in porch of the pavilion.
* 911 call with be triggered when the AED box is opened.
* Naloxone kit available in the AED
* Water testing around the lake…our link to FOCA , boat cleaning stations.
* Fire prevention, keeping your areas clear of dry brush. Observing fire bans and fire permits.
* Keeping our lake safe….there is a growing number of abandoned docks. Clean them up.
* Special thanks to Kevin Errington and Peter Craig for their volunteer efforts in help with the pavilion.

**3. Introduction of the Present Board prior to the election of new Board members**

President......................Jocelyn Wyatt

Vice-president.............Brenda Tognotti

Treasurer.................... Kim Brownlee

Secretary…………….Nancy Bell-Dorfman

Pavilion.......................Donna Rork

Events………………..Liz Tyler

Membership…………Mike Wootton

Communications…….Paul Pulver

Technology………….Alex Baird

Environment…………Linda Mathies

Anyone making or seconding a motion, provide their first and last name for the record.

We would like to acknowledge and honour Jim and Sandra Pitblado for their very generous donation toward the necessary maintenance upgrades to our treasured Sunset Pavilion.

**4. Reports from the Directors**

**A. Donna Rork …………Pavilion upgrades**

**B. Alex Baird ……….......Communications/Website**

**C. Mike Wootton………..Membership**

**D. Liz Tyler ……………. Events**

**E. Kimberly Brownlee …Treasurer's Report**

**F. Nancy Bell-Dorfman…ONCA update**

      See financial statement, as filed, and on the USLA website.

**Motion #1**

Move that the Financial Statements as filed and attached are approved and ratified.

First: Julian Pope Second: Michael Nolan

**Motion #2**

Move to approve the AGM minutes from 2023 are approved and ratified.

First: Bob Wilkinson Second: Sheila Landsman

**Motion #3**

Move to accept all Directors reports are hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed.

First: Sandra Pitblado Second: Davi Hulsebosch

**Motion #4**

Move to dispense with the reading of the minutes of the last annual general meeting and the same be approved and verified as if read.

First: Mark Gluck Second: Jim Pitblado

**Motion #5**

Move that all official acts and resolutions of the directors and officers of the association enacted, made, passed, done, or taken since the last annual meeting of the association be and the same are hereby approved, ratified, and confirmed.

First: Peter Lavern Second: Jim Pitblado

**Motion #6**

At the July 1, 2023, USLA AGM, the members approved a resolution to appoint an

accountant to conduct a review engagement of our financial statements for

the year ending December 31, 2023, which cost us just under $5000.

To avoid these significant costs, and due to the straight-forward nature of

our finances, there is a provision in ONCA to exempt small not-for-profit organizations

like us from the audit or review engagement requirement by an independent third party

licenced public accountant. The USLA Board is recommending to the membership that,

pursuant to ONCA, the membership passes an “extraordinary resolution” to not appoint an

auditor and to not have an audit or review engagement in respect of the corporation’s

financial year. This resolution will be valid until the next Annual Meeting of members,

which is scheduled for June 28, 2025. To be approved, this resolution will require affirmative

votes from at least 80% of the votes cast at this meeting.

Motion: To dispense with the audit and /or review engagement by a licensed

accountant of the USLA financial statements as just described.

Show of hands = 128 approved 6 opposed

**Motion #7**

Motion: To appoint a volunteer review committee of 3 certified and qualified individuals

to review the USLA financial statements as just described.

Show of hands = 132 approved

**5. Board Elections**

Two nominees willing to serve in anticipated roles on the new Board (of up to 12 directors) are:

Bob Froese......Director at Large

Joel Allen……Director at Large

Thank You Linda Mathies for your volunteer efforts and countless hours of your time dedicated to the USLA. Your ideas and initiative have helped bring us to where we are today. Le Jour de la Nuit program is our night sky program that we hope continues to be an event on our calendar for years to come.

**Motion #8**

Motion to approve the nominees to the Board.

First: Ingrid Nolan Second: Jennifer Bedwell

**6. Approval of ONCA By-law #5**

As presented on our website for review prior to the AGM. Special thanks to Brenda Tognotti and Nancy Bell-Dorfman or updating these bylaws.

**Motion #9**

To accept the new By-law #5.

First: Davi Hulseboch Second: Cori Doberstein

**7. Committee Reports**

1. Paddle/Fishing Derby – Len Minty
2. Readers Club – Len Minty
3. 117th Regatta – Julian Pope and Jeff Beedell. Special thanks Greg Taylor and Dave Lush for re-building the regatta booth.
4. $75 for trophy sponsorship, payable to [donations@usla.ca](mailto:donations@usla.ca)
5. Volunteers and new sponsors email [regatta@usla.ca](mailto:regatta@usla.ca)
6. Yacht Club – Brad Anderson
7. Craft Festival, 10am-4pm on June 30th
8. Stoney Lake Golf – Peter Laverne

**Motion #10**

Move to receive and accept all Committee Chair Reports, with thanks.

First: Geoff Bedell Second: Wendy Pitblado

**8. Other Guests/Speakers**

Carrie Scace,Lake Association Liaison, Environment Council for Clear, Stoney and White Lakes

John Kintare, Executive Director, Kawartha Land Trust-fundraising

Laurie La Plante, Peterborough Regional Health Centre- fundraising

**9. New Business/Discussion**

Sat July 27 Camp Kawartha is hosting an environment project for natural shorelines

June 21, 2025 Gala date

August 17, 2024 Tawni Froese this year fundraiser- To be confirmed

Quiet Lake Program –See Muskoka for more information @ safequiet.ca

Sand Bar concern, to crowded, not environmentally friendly, too noisy,

alcohol in public. Should be stopped.

- Martha Lush

Short Term Rentals have new noise by-laws.

Printing the roster has been requested.

Awareness of Loon nesting between late May and late June. Loons cannot walk well on land. Large waves are of great risk to loons when they are on land and at the waters edge.

Cottager awareness is important to keep boat wakes low when close to shore.

**Motion #11**

Motion of Appreciation raised by Mr. Jim Pitblado who has enjoyed Stoney Lake since 1957.

Mr. Pitblado wished to extend sincere gratitude for the hard work and effort in the preservation of our Pavilion and traditions of the USLA to the USLA Board.

Thank You Jim!

First: Sandra Pitblado Second: Cori Doberstein

**10. Tribute**

Special mention to the bench outside the back door of the Pavilion.

It was donated from the estate of Marilyn Reid, proprietor of Reid’s Log Cabin store.

The plaque reads: “In memory of Marilyn Reid. Friends, family and customers will remember her as a long-time member of this Stoney Lake community.” Thanks to Shelagh Landsmann and

Fran Allen for making this happen. We thank Marilyn for this gesture and will think of her often.

**Motion #12**

Move to adjourn the AGM.

First: Davi Hulsebosh Second: Susan Schnurr

Please join us for the Presidents BBQ immediately following the meeting.

Special Thanks to Jacqui Turner and Sara Hamblin for their hard work and effort

for catering all USLA events.