



Dalhousie Lake Association Incorporated (DLAI)
Minutes from the Annual General Meeting held on Saturday, August 24, 2025
At the McDonalds Corners and Elphin Recreation and Arts Centre (MERA)
974 Concession 9A, McDonalds Corners, ON

Chair, Ian Bennett, President, DLAI

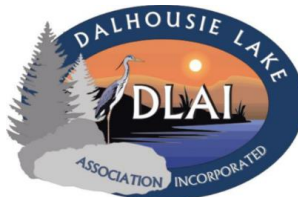
Meeting notes, Bruce Patrick, Director, DLAI & Ian Bennett

- 1) The Chair opened the meeting at 10:05, thanked and welcomed DLAI members and guest speaker Kelly Stiles of the Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA). The Chair introduced and thanked the DLAI Directors for their support. The Chair explained that the meeting would be comprised two parts. The first part would be an information session with Kelly Stiles, Aquatic Biologist, MVCA on "The Stewardship Program and Invasive Species". The second part of the meeting would be a formal business meeting of the Association with reports and motions.
- 2) Kelly provided an excellent presentation outlining the Lake Monitoring, Shoreline Stewardship, Invasive Species Awareness and resources and contact information. A question and answer session followed the presentation. Kelly's presentation has been uploaded to the Dalhousie Lake Association website (www.dalhousielakeassoc.org).
- 3) The Chair called the business meeting of the DLAI to order at 10:45 noting that the materials for the meeting and a presentation including background information and proposed motions had been circulated prior to the meeting (see attached Agenda).
- 4) The Chair confirmed that quorum for the meeting was achieved with some 15 members of the DLAI present and that official business would be conducted in accordance with the DLAI by-laws.
 - ✓ The Chair called for a motion to approve the consent agenda of the meeting including the agenda, minutes of the 2024 AGM and the 2025/26 DLAI financial report. The motion was moved by Joyce Spratt and seconded by Bruce Patrick and was carried unanimously without discussion.
- 5) The Chair made a presentation on DLAI activities, membership, financial status, and DLAI priorities. The presentation which is available at www.dalhousielakeassoc.org included specific motions with respect to the receipt of the report on DLAI activities including financial reports and membership, that the plans for DLAI activities and forecasted expenditures in 2025/26 be approved.
 - ✓ The Chair opened the floor for discussion and formally tabled the motions with respect DLAI affairs and activities for 2025 including financial reports and a second motion regarding the plans and expenditures for DLAI activities for 2026.
 - ✓ The motions were moved by Annette Sutherland and seconded by Sandy Pulham and were passed unanimously.
- 6) Consideration of the amended Dalhousie Lake Association By-Law. The Chair introduced the subject including the need to amend the by-law given that it dated to 1978, the need to align with the Ontario Not for Profit Corporations Act and the fact that

previous amendments had been approved and needed to be incorporated. The Chair also discussed areas of major change as well as the process for the independent review and quality assurance of the draft by-law. After opening the floor for questions and answers, the Chair called for a motion ..” *that the amended by-law for the Dalhousie Lake Association Incorporated be approved and come into effect at the conclusion of the DLAI Annual Meeting on August 23,2025 ...*” The motion was moved by Joyce Spratt and seconded by Pat Jones and was passed unanimously.

- 7) The Chair explained the requirement for DLAI Directors to be appointed for a one year term subject to confirmation at the following DLAI AGM. The Chair encouraged anyone interested in volunteering to come forward and called for nominations from the floor and hearing none, called for a motion to appoint the following as Directors; Annette Sutherland, Tim Jamieson, Judy Hall, Pat Jones, Bruce Patrick, Sherene Flint, Diane Bennett, Terri Morgan, Mona Bowles and Ian Bennett. The Chair thanked the Directors for their service and explained that the Directors as appointed would decide on executive roles including President, Vice-President and Treasurer. The motion “*that the list of nominees as tabled be formally confirmed as Directors of the Dalhousie Lake Association for 2025/26*” was moved by Marlene Patrick and seconded by Jim Brown and was passed unanimously.
- 8) The Chair thanked members for their continued support of the Association, asked whether there was further DLAI business to conduct and hearing none, called for a motion to adjourn.
 - ✓ The motion to adjourn was moved by Diane Bennett and seconded by Joyce Spratt. The motion was carried and the meeting concluded at 11:45.

ANNEX A – AGENDA OF THE 2025 DLAI ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



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Dalhousie Lake Association – Annual General Meeting
Saturday, August 23, 2025 – 10:00 – 12:00
MERA – 974 Concession 9A, McDonalds Corners

- 1) Opening/Welcome
- 2) Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) Presentation
 - MVCA Presentation, Lake Monitoring and Stewardship Program and Invasive Species Education (Kelly Stiles, Biologist, MVCA)
 - Presentation and Q+As
- 3) Dalhousie Lake Association (DLAI) Business Meeting
 - Call to Order
 - Confirmation of Quorum
 - Agenda (including Consent Agenda)
 - i. Minutes of 2024 AGM (see Annex A attached)

✓ **Proposed Motion “that the Agenda (including consent materials as attached) for the 2025 Dalhousie Lake Association Annual General Meeting be approved”.**
- 4) DLAI Presentation
 - Report on 2024/25 Activities, Plans, Priorities
 - Membership
 - Financials
 - Priorities/Areas of Focus for 2026

✓ **Proposed Motions**

 - i. **“that the report on DLAI activities for 2025 including financial reports and membership be approved”.**
 - ii. **“that the plans for DLAI activities in 2026 including forecasted financial expenditures be approved”.**
- 5) Consideration of Amended Dalhousie Lake Association Incorporated By-Law
 - Presentation and discussion

✓ **Proposed Motion “that the amended by-law for the Dalhousie Lake Association Incorporated be approved and come into effect at the conclusion of the DLAI Annual Meeting on August 23, 2025 subject to filing with the Ontario government.”**

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- 6) DLAI Leadership – Call for Nominations and Confirmation of DLAI Directors for 2026
 - Tabling of 2025 Directors willing to continue to serve in 2026
 - Call for nominations from the floor (with nominees from the floor formally added to the list)

✓ **Proposed Motion “that the list of nominees as tabled be formally confirmed as Directors of the Dalhousie Lake Association for 2025/26.**
- 7) Closing/Adjournment

✓ **Proposed Motion “that the 2025 Annual General Meeting of the Dalhousie Lake Association be adjourned”**