

PERCY LAKE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2019

Saturday August 17, 2019

Winder family driveway/garage (1547 Percy Lake Road) Courtesy of Harry and Sylvia Winder

MINUTES

1) Welcome (Anna Tilman), membership sign-up

Board Members present: Anna Tilman, Koko Yamamoto, Jim Richert, Lou Kiriakou and Brian Edey with regrets from Graham Warren and Katherine Nanowski.

2) Presentation: Walt McKechnie, Councillor, and Patrick Kennedy, Deputy Mayor, Dysart Township

Discussion topics:

Landfill: lack of buyers for recycling, higher sorting quality raising trucking costs

Internet: Funds have been released Federally for Broadband initiative discussed last year per the Eastern Ontario Wardens group.

Water Quality / Lakes / Septic Inspections

Roads: 320 km of county maintained roads. Culvert washouts from changing climate.

Taxes: Dysart has the lowest mill rate amongst the Haliburton counties [655\$/100k assessment]

By-laws: fireworks [ban on Chinese lantern type flying/floating candles]

Shoreline protection key points: Trees 5cm diameter need authorization arborist/pictures to be removed. The max fine is 800\$ per

tree - "have an urge to plant grass? Have a beer, it'll pass." [grass attracts geese & their droppings]

Questions

Noise bylaw – advised to leave message with Bylaw Office with details for follow-up. A change is that the hours when the by-law applied (11:00 PM – 7:00 AM) has been removed.

- 3) Reports and Updates: PLRA Board
 - Membership: [post meeting additions included] we are currently at approximately 60 members
 - Financial report: after insurance and memberships [e.g. FOCA, HLCA, CEWF] the two largest expenditures were the Lake Health Reports and the new Web page at PLRA.ca
 - The Lake Health Report has been distributed prior to and at meeting.
 Provides a snapshot of the chemistry each of the lakes in Haliburton.
- 4) Discussion on Issues of Concern: e.g., noise, shoreline protection bylaws, Hydro-One spraying Dysart et al Council meeting on August 27 is to review spraying. Some lakes in Muskoka have banned spraying. The Local Council at this time seemed heading towards use with restrictions (setbacks) but there has been confusion over this.

5) Fishing Update – Award of Trophies (Lou Kiriakou, Jim Richert)

One-day 8am-12 live release [Lou]

- 3rd: Ed and Lou with 75"
- 2nd: Harry & Peter with 83"
- 1st: Julian & Mick Tilman 88.5"

Cottager Family Youth Angling Award Winners for 2018

Lake Trout full season [Jan 1 – Sept 30]

1st Place PLRA Trophy - Julian Tilman 20.5" 29 Jul 2018

Bass full season [Jun 3 – Oct 31]	
Runners-up	Quinn Flaherty 16"
	Steve Malinas 16.5"
	Julian Tilman 17"
	Connor Ristow 17"
	Jody Ristow 16.5"
	Claire Ristow 17"
1 st Place PLRA	Sophia Edey 17.75" Sept 3 2018

MatCorp Trophy was presented by Helen Dolinski to Sophia Edey. Helen provided a story about 'Ripples' and gifted Note cards to the assembly.

- 6) Nominations, election for Board members request for those interested to come forward.
- 7) Status of the Percy Lake / Gull River Dam Refurbishing project

Spillway bed and side channel repair and improved service access	
Survey of Portage boundaries	Completed Spring 2017
Engineering new service access	Completed Summer 2017
Initial clearing	Completed Winter 2017/2018
Access road construction	**Target Fall 2019
Refurbishing	**Target Winter 2019/2020

- ** Work timing is pending authorization from Parks Canada
- 8) Meeting adjourned at 3:30