

PERCY LAKE RATEPAYERS ASSOCIATION

Directors' meeting

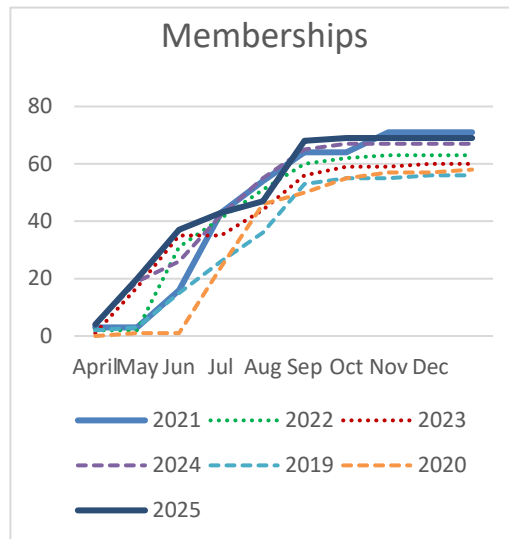
Dec 3, 2025, 5:00 PM

Via Microsoft Teams; Host Peter Mills

DRAFT MINUTES

- 1) Anna called the meeting to order at 5:01 pm
 - a. Present: Anna, Peter, Ted, Lou, Koko, Brian
 - b. Absent: Bob, Mark
- 2) Approved minutes of previous board meeting (July 30, 2025) Moved Ted seconded Peter
Link: <https://plra.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Draft-Minutes-PLRA-BOD-July-30-2025.pdf>
Brian to ask Clair to post as approved
- 3) Treasurer's Report
 - Current balance ~3900\$; 2025 i/e +861 versus 2024 at -161
 - Slight increase in revenue due to the \$10 fee increase.
 - CHA paid basic per July mtg; FOCA up 30%
 - Action to look at rational for FOCA increase
 - Insurance +2% (correspondence Koko 10-20)
 - Ted asked about our historical balance., [Since 2004, it's been ~3000\$], and need for reserve fund.
 - Discussion on keeping a reserve for unexpected expenses.
- 4) Business items:
 - Communications –
 - Dysart Public Meeting2 Nov 25 on OP & Bylaws on shoreline structures
 - Summary in Highlander, being brought back on Dec 9
 - Discussion: council had mentioned a referendum, and concern that while Lake Assoc were opposed it was less clear if they had a mandate.
 - Newsletter – end of year
 - Lou has photos of bass and trophies
 - Brian to pull similar for Golf
 - Try for a one page

- Membership 70 this year versus 67 same time last year (2nd highest)
 - General discussion on membership numbers, new cottagers, activities.
 - Lou mentioned the AGM report that indicated we are doing as well as or slightly better than neighbouring associations as attracting / retaining members.
 - As of 2024 there were 130 properties with municipal [911] addresses. [maybe ~23 more].

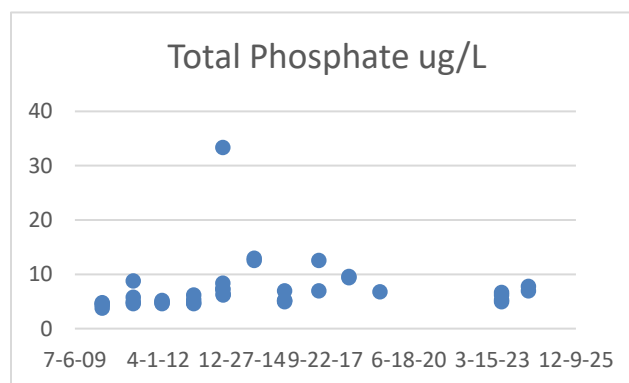


- Other

Lake testing, test results from Ulinks 2000-2024, Foca 2024

<https://plra.ca/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Lake-Partner-Water-Testing.pdf>

Including last result for phosphorus:



Seems to have returned to the levels after a bump 2014-2018. Possibly road-building exposed fresh rock/gravels.

Fibre/Wireless [Ted] Percy south tower up, powered not yet. Waiting on Hydro1, but last update was late 2025/early 2026.

CHA AGM (Brian)

It was on-line, appended 4 slides on their focus and budget

Roads[Ted] Snow plow goes east on JBR before lunch. Seems to pause [eat lunch perhaps] then return.

Lou mention there may be federal funding for Phragmite removal. Action: to bring to next meeting.

- Actions from AGM
 - Social Media Lou and Ted heard Diane volunteer after the AGM to be a Facebook Moderator.
 - To be confirmed.
 - Any interest in changing our name from PLRA.?
 - Ted mentioned the ratepayer designation is slightly more encompassing than cottager, as it would include properties without a cottage. That might have been the situation in early 70s when PLRA first formed.
 - Since PLRA is now incorporated, the paperwork around a change would need to be refiled.

5) Any Other Business

- FOCA is re-doing a rural [non-township] rural roads survey. May apply to the Condo corporation roads. Last done in 2019. by December 19, 2025. Then join us at the FOCA Spring Seminar for a reveal of the new results. Here's the link to copy and share with your road rep: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FOCAroad25>
- Any interest in revising our constitution (Koko has noted our fiscal year has been calendar, but Constitution says ~Aug 1.)
 - Action Peter and Ted


- Noted that ice is forming but hasn't yet encompassed the lake. And there's ~15cm [6"] of ground snow.
- 6) Next board meeting date and location
- April 15, 5pm [Wednesday]
 - Peter to send out invite
- 7) Adjournment ~6pm

Attachment:

Slides from CHA AGM [on-line]

CHA \$ - hard to understand at a glance

- ▶ We have 2 areas of finance
 1. Operating revenue & expenses
 2. Project revenue & expenses
- ▶ Up until 2025 we have **lost money on Operating each year**
 1. 2024 Membership fees plus voluntary = \$6458.
 2. Operating expenses \$8,432.
 1. Home show
 2. Insurance
 3. Meetings
 4. Admin
 3. **Loss \$1974**



THE COALITION OF HALIBURTON PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS

STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
(Unaudited - See Completion Engagement Report)
DECEMBER 31, 2024

	2024	2023
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		
Excess of revenues over expenses	\$ (4,892)	\$ (1,559)
Non-cash working capital:		
Increase in accounts payable and accrued liabilities	95	2,775
NET DECREASE (INCREASE) IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS	(4,804)	1,216
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, BEGINNING OF YEAR	25,362	24,143
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS, END OF YEAR	\$ 20,558	\$ 25,360

Poop Talk the Number 2 update

- ▶ Changing behaviour
- ▶ Rave Reviews
- ▶ Now used across the province
 - ▶ Lake Associations
 - ▶ Municipalities
 - ▶ Conservation A


Typical email

Hi Paul, I just watched your video. It was **FANTASTIC!** The messaging was easy to understand, fun to watch and very educational.


We would love to add it to our resources on our Septic System webpage. I would also love to share it with some other Conservation staff members from the Trent Conservation Coalition, Mississippi, Rideau Valley, Cataraqui, and Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authorities.

Natasha Mathieu Quinte Conservation A

This Just in - plans for a new Learning Tool for kids based on Poop Talk The # 2



Potential project with U of T



- ▶ Meeting at U of T Camp on Gull - Purpose
- ▶ Background
 - ▶ Connection made through Pam Sayne, who introduced a Department Chair to me
 - ▶ Several meetings held to explore collaboration
 - ▶ U of T team brings expertise from MOE and Environment Canada studies on Hamilton Harbour and Lake Ontario
 - ▶ Strong background in continuous water quality monitoring—equipment and expertise already in place
- ▶ The Vision
 - ▶ Monitor water entering and leaving Gull Lake to measure changes while in the lake (+ / - / =)
 - ▶ Monitor the impact of tertiary bypasses at sewage treatment plant
 - ▶ Track the effects of extreme rain events
 - ▶ Use Gull Lake as a pilot project for potential expansion to other lakes across the County