

Cassels and Adjoining Lakes Association (“CALA”)
MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERALMEETING (“AGM”) OF THE BOARD ON
TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 22, 2020

HELD Virtually via Zoom

at 7:00 pm EST

Executive Present:

Sue Olynyk President	Peter Olynyk, Past President
Dave Bellmore, Treasurer	Adrian Cobbold, Secretary
Debby Burrows, Director, Navigational Aids	Donna MacIntyre, Director, Forests
Chris D’Aoust, Director, Water Quality	Greg Feys, Director, Membership
Paul Middleton, Director, Communications & Fisheries	

General Membership Present:

Sally Middleton	Brad & Ann Davies	Denna Benn
Doug Houghton	Georgina Feys	Darwin Bayham
Jos Nederveen		

Absent: Jason Steinman, Director, Boat Poker Run

1 WELCOME

1.1 Sue Olynyk welcomed everyone including CALA members and the lake community to the 2020 CALA AGM virtually via Zoom. Sue Olynyk mentioned 2020 had being a trying year as we went through a Covid pandemic which didn’t permit the normal social interaction with friends and neighbours on the lake and forced the cancellation of the annual poker run and pig roast. Steve Olynyk will act at as the Zoom moderator and Sue noted the meeting was being recorded.

2 New additions to the agenda included the Canada Day Tree in Section 7. No other additions were noted.

3 MINUTES

3.1 Minutes of the Saturday August 3, 2019 AGM were presented by Adrian Cobbold, Adrian moved to accept, seconded by Brad Davies, Denna abstained, all others accepted, motion carried.

4 TREASURER’S REPORT

4.1 Dave Bellmore presented the 2019 financial statements for the general and fishing accounts (see attached). For the general account, total receipts were recorded of \$7,505 including a \$4,000 grant from the Town of Temagami.

Total disbursements were \$4,168 for a surplus of \$3,337. There was \$3,000 of unspent funds received from the Town of Temagami for the buoys and marker program. In the fishing account where profits of the poker run of \$908 were deposited, the Board increased the annual TAFIP donation to \$1,300. The ending bank balance was \$480. Dave moved to accept the 2019 financial statements, seconded by Debby Burrows, motion carried.

Dave presented the 2020 budget to the AGM. No questions or comments were raised.

5 **CONSTITUTIONAL AMMENDMENTS**

Sue noted the constitution was last amended in 2014 and the executive felt it was time for an update. Sue presented the summary of proposed 2020 amendments to the constitution and the rational for the changes (see attached) which covered the following:

- (a) Changes to the membership for property owners and life member status.
- (b) Ability to conduct meetings via telephone and virtually.
- (c) Power to cancel AGM in exceptional circumstances ie state of emergency
- (d) Allow due notice to for AGM to be provided by e-mail.
- (e) New section 11.0 to document process for winding down the association.

After much discussion, Sue moved to approved the constitutional amendments excluding new section 11.0, seconded by Paul, no opposing votes, motion carried.

Sue proposed a new section 11.0 to cover the following three points:

1. If it becomes necessary to wind down the association a special general meeting shall be called with due notice to all members. Due notice being one month via e-mail or Canada Post that a meeting is being called for the purposes of dissolving the association.
2. If a motion is passed by 2/3 +1 of the members present at the general meeting of the members
3. After paying any outstanding debts , the balance of any monies will be distributed to TAFIP and other remaining monies to any local charities or like organizations within the Municipality of Temagami.

Sue motioned to adopt a modified section 11.0, seconded by Denna, no opposing votes, no abstainers, motion carried.

6 CALA ELECTIONS

6.1 CALA Elections:

Before Sue turned over the elections to Peter Olynyk, she noted that no one had occupied the Vice President position in 2020. Donna has offered to put her name forward for Vice President position for the next year. Accordingly, Sue would be willing to stay on one more year as President to assist in the orderly transition to Donna in 2021/22.

There are three open positions for the upcoming year as Chris D'Aoust and Greg Feys will be finishing their terms and there is an open Vice President spot.

Peter thanked all members for their completed terms including Sue Olynyk, Adrian Cobbold, Paul Middleton and Donna McIntyre. Peter solicited the CALA membership for new members to stand for the open position. No nominations were received. Accordingly, Peter put forward the proposed list of open positions to be filled:

Sue Olynyk as President for one year

Donna McIntyre as Vice President for one year

Adrian Cobbold as Secretary for 3 years

Paul Middleton as Director for 3 years

Ian Vance as Director for 3 years

Peter asked AGM for any additional members to stand for these positions. No additional nominations for these five positions. Peter motioned for the motion to carry the election of these nominees, no objections, no abstainers, motion carried.

7 PORTFOLIO REPORTS

7.1 Forestry: Donna MacIntyre noted no planned dates set for Rabbit Lake harvesting.

7.2 Water Quality: Chris D'Aoust provided an update to the AGM on water quality. Elevated e-coli results in Net Lake but Cassels and Rabbit Lake were fine. Overall results within lake standards.

7.3 Navigational Aids: Issues noted with boaters tying up to buoys. Much of the work was in repairing the buoys. Awareness program to be launched in 2021. Debby noted that Town of Temagami has included \$4,000 in annual budget process and this will no longer be considered a grant.

7.4 Membership: Greg Feys indicated online membership was a success with a 50% split between online and mail. Membership numbers consistent.

7.5 Fisheries: Paul Middleton presented his fisheries report, TAFIP in strong position to keep up its mandate.

8 OTHER BUSINESS

8.1 Canada 150 Tree: Paul indicated the Family Health Care Team happy to accept the donated tree, Sue to send formal letter to Family Health Care Team to finalize.

8.2 Peter favourable to online meetings and will attract new younger members, welcomed Ian Vance to the Board.

9 ADJOURNMENT

9.1 Sue Olynyk motioned to adjourn the meeting, Brad Davies seconded, motion carried.

End of Meeting: 8:49 pm (1 hour 49 minutes)

Reported by: Adrian Cobbold Secretary

Appendices

A. 2019 Year End General Account (D. Bellemore)

B. 2019 Year End Fishing Account (D. Bellemore)

C. Fishing Report (P. Middleton)

D. Forestry Report (D. MacIntyre)

E. Membership Report (G. Feys)

F. Navigational Aids Report (D. Burrows)

G. Water Quality Report (C. D'Aoust)

CALA FINANCIAL REPORT
GENERAL ACCOUNT

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

BANK BALANCE, GENERAL ACCOUNT , as at January 1, 2019

\$ 3,824.82

RECEIPTS

Membership Dues (2019)	\$ 2,995.00
Silent auction	490.00
Other income (50/50, hat sales, T-shirts, etc.)	20.00
Special grant- Buoys/Markers project	4,000.00
Total Receipts	\$ 7,505.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Corn Roast costs - 2019	\$ 1,119.39
FOCA Dues	356.00
Liability Insurance	1,165.32
Newsletter, Roster, Website and other administrative costs	108.09
Bank Service Charges	13.48
Special project - Buoys/Markers related costs 2018 program	406.00
Special project - Buoys/Markers related costs 2019 program	1,000.00
Total Disbursements	\$ 4,168.28

SURPLUS (excess of receipts over disbursements)

\$ 3,336.72

ENDING BANK BALANCE, GENERAL ACCOUNT, as of December 31, 2019

\$ 7,161.54

Respectfully Submitted

2020-05-08

CALA Treasurer

David Bellemore



CALA FINANCIAL REPORT
FISHING ACCOUNT

January 1, 2019 - December 31, 2019

BANK BALANCE, FISHING ACCOUNT , as at January 1, 2019 **\$ 895.48**

RECEIPTS

Boat Poker Run Profits (2019)	\$ 908.00
Total receipts	\$ 908.00

DISBURSEMENTS

Donation - TAFIP	\$ 1,300.00
Bank Service Charges	\$ 23.40
Total Disbursements	\$ 1,323.40

DEFICIT (excess of disbursements over receipts) **\$ (415.40)**

ENDING BANK BALANCE, FISHING ACCOUNT, as of December 31, 2019 **\$ 480.08**

Respectfully Submitted
2020-05-08
CALA Treasurer
David Bellemore



*The following report flows from the **CALA Summer 2020 CALA Newsletter** sent out on July 6th of this year; at that time it was clear that the fishing season and the hatchery operations at the TAFIP was to be quite different from years previous – the covid-19 pandemic was underway worldwide and adjustments had to be made in how people conducted their lives in their community. Over the course of this summer, and as restrictions started to ease, some obvious signs were evident ... many Ontarians from away were on the road in-province with trailers and campers into backcountry lakes in our area as evidenced by the congestion at the landings at our adjoining lakes in Temagami. Whether day trippers travelling through or short stays and longer, this seems to have placed added fishing pressures on the lakes. Ironically this came at a time when the fish hatchery could not raise and distribute young walleye fry and fingerlings into the lakes as usual. What this will mean into the future remains to be seen, but our many *dedicated volunteers* at TAFIP have been busy nevertheless ... our tribute to them!



Submitted by Paul Middleton, Director
FROM: TAFIP to CALA
Ike Laba (TAFIP President)

TAFIP 2020 WORK PROJECTS

We had to cancel this year's Walleye egg collection (Net Creek at Cassels Lake) due to the COVID-19 pandemic community restrictions. Although the egg collection/rearing was cancelled we proceeded to improve the hatchery operations for the 2021 season by upgrading the ponds, cleaning shoals, upgrading the hatchery building, etc. :

1. In 2019 we had worked with the Temagami First Nation on some aspects of the hatchery program such as: dispersal of the fry into various designated lakes. This year we were going to work as partners on all aspects of the fishery program especially on Lake Temagami, where we were struggling in gathering Walleye eggs. By working as partners with the TFN we intend to reach our Walleye egg targets on Lake Temagami, plus at the same time we would be working on many lakes within the area. Dependent on the COVID pandemic situation in 2021 we still hope to work as partners with them.

2. Hatchery Building Operations (in Temagami Village lakeside site):

We have upgraded electrical items: emergency wiring for power outage; sensor lights outside for safety and security (the only material costs- labour donated); repainted deck rails (lakefront) will complete deck dependent on weather; repaired leaks on front windows & painted; upgraded fascia for installation of eaves troughs this fall; will be upgrading fry holding bins which require major work and install 2 extra bell jars to hold more eggs

3. Sherman Rearing Pond:

We drained and contouring pond for easier full extraction of fingerlings 80% complete; due to recent rains may not be able to complete this fall; purchased 6 loads of clay and on site ready to complete rearing pond contouring;

Siege nets purchased for Walleye fry extraction (40' x 3' and 16' x 3') ... this will ensure full fish extraction as well it will be less stress on the fingerlings and easier extraction work for the volunteers.

4. Sherman Water Reserve Pond

TAFIP volunteers removed all the dead wood which was damaging the Dam Site (almost lost the Dam in 2019 and 2020); removing the dead wood will improve the water P.H. for future use and provides easier access to the pond site

We still have to do a substantial amount of work on the dam (issue- large amount of rain); most of the work has to be done by hand by volunteers (very labour intensive and too dangerous for machines on dam as soil is water logged)

Purchased a 3" flow through pump for pond drainage as well we have a 6" large pump

5. Red Squirrel Rearing Pond

Contoured in 2019 and thus in good shape ... will require 1 day's work for a backhoe for touch ups, perhaps this fall.

6. Net Lake Shoal Cleaning (ONR Railway Bridge Site – Temagami North /Net Lake)

TAFIP Volunteers cleaned the silt off the Walleye shoal spawning areas south of the Railway bridge on both East and West sides by using pressure hose. These shoals were cleaned approx. 35 +/- years ago, since that time the Highway 11 and the ONR Railway bridge were replaced creating massive silt on the spawning area.

7. Angus Lake Shoal Cleaning

Initial project started in 2019 when 50% of the area was completed. We had to use a private individual's pump as our TAFIP pump was not working. *Thanks to an Angus Lake resident who provided a pontoon boat for the staging of the power pump. TAFIP volunteers who worked on this project found the spawning area very slippery due to an abundant amount of silt.

In 2020 completed cleaning the remainder of the 2019 Walleye spawning shoal thanks to the support from Ridgewood Cottages by providing a small pontoon boat. Thanks to the TAFIP Volunteers for completing this project.

*Note: These are the first areas of shoal cleaning in many years that this type of work has been done in the Temagami Area.

8. We have a new **Facebook page** set up for the **Temagami & Area Fish Involvement Program**; as well we are working at an **E-Transfer program** for people who would like to donate towards the hatchery program.

In conclusion - we as a TAFIP group have been working hard in securing funding through various sources as the work we are involved in this year is very expensive. We are working to improve the future of the hatchery system.

CALA Temagami Forestry Report - September 2020

Harvesting

There are no new updates for harvesting since the May report, harvesting dates for the Rabbit Lake road south access have not been scheduled yet and the MNRF will notify us when harvesting is scheduled and a schedule a walkabout for a few members.

Herbicide (Glyphosate) spraying is planned for fall 2020 to remove undesirable vegetation; the date has not been set yet. The CALA team asked MNRF to delay spraying until late September outside of the peak summer season and to consider other options since a few provinces have banned Glyphosate. The areas for spraying are;

- Ottertail 2 and 3– Directly east of the south access, approx. 25km
- Copper Creek – North east of Cassels North end approx. 30km and further north east

MNRF - Prescribed Burn Plan for Slash Pile Burning

The prescribed burn is to reduce the area covered in slash piles while increasing the area available for regeneration and reducing the fire hazard and is planned between Oct 1 and Dec 1. The sites near CALA are, just north of Temagami on the west side of Hwy 11 and just north of Martin River on the east side.

CALA Membership Report 2020

September 17, 2020

I realize all us would like to put 2020 behind us for good reason. I hope 2021 we bring us all a much better year.

Membership 2020 was approached 2 ways: via online registration and mail outs.

In February 2020, I mailed out approximately 87 membership forms.
I received 44 membership forms via mail. 50.5% percent vs online registration.

Cala has 52 properties. Of these, 46 properties or 88% have voting members compared to 6 properties or 11.5% have associate memberships. Goal is to have 100% voting members.

Total 109 members
62 voting members
33 Associate members
14 junior members

Thanks and stay safe. See you on the lake in 2021!

Greg , Georgina, Olivia, Sydney Feys

NAVIGATIONAL AIDS

REPORT TO CALA 2020 AGM

Even with Covid-19 in mind, maintenance on the CALA's ball markers has still been fairly high.

A large part of this was from re- setting the markers after vessels have tied up to them to fish. To reset these balls it will take 3 people and 3 hours in March. Several examples are:

- Rabbit Point Ball #34 Red
- Snake-Island-Cassels "4 markers" Ball #9 (3times): Reset post in spring and once more. The post was pulled over to 45 degree and the ball went missing.
- Snake-Island-Cassels "4 markers" Ball #12 went missing 2 times from the post being ripped out. A temporary ball is in place.

An awareness QuickNews e-mail, " DON'T TIE UP! Navigational Buoys on CALA Waters", was issued in August 2020 to the CALA email distribution list.

CALA has received correspondence from Craig Davidson that the Town of Temagami has approved inclusion of \$4000 in their annual budgets going forward. This will support procurement of new and replacement navigational aids and maintenance of these. Current work plans and approximate costs include:

- a lifting yard arm and hoist to be fabricated at TBL to fit the buoy maintenance boat (Dave Zimmerman's steel boat). ~\$450
- 13 new marker buoys at approximately \$200 each ~ \$2600 plus shipping and HST.
- Welding for "4 markers" ~\$200
- Some miscellaneous items gas etc.... \$210

There needs to be more awareness to prevent tying up to the markers. Plans include:

- Large laminated posters to put at TBL and the two town access points (Cassels Lake and South Rabbit Lake)
- small paper posters for individual boats and for handouts.

There are about 40 buoys on CALA waters. Red and green buoys, yellow hazard markers and "No Wake" markers. Maps of buoy locations have been uploaded to the CALA website at <https://tcala.com/navigational-aids/>

Many, many thanks to CALA member Dave Zimmerman who volunteers his time determining needed upgrades and to place and maintain the buoy system that helps to keep us all safely travelling our lakes!

Submitted by Director Debby Burrows

September 18, 2020

Water Quality Report September 20, 2020

Water quality testing was conducted August 30, 2020. Random samples were taken from Cala Lakes including Rabbit, Cassels, Snake and Net. Micro testing for total coliform and e coli bacteria was conducted. Results are posted below

All results from the 8 locations taken indicated bacteria levels well below the guidelines for recreational lakes in Ontario. It is important to note that low levels of E coli were identified in samples taken from Net Lake.

The Ministry of the Environment has previously mandated to the town of Temagami a need to upgrade the effluent disinfection system for the Temagami North Lagoon system. A summary of the disinfection upgrade project from the town is as follows.

The town consultants should have the tender documents ready later this fall for a 2021 tender call. In the meantime, in October they are scheduling a time to remove some of the sludge from the lagoon. We did this in the south lagoon last year and hope to duplicate the success we had last year. This should result in some reduced levels as the effluent can remain in the lagoon longer.

As part of the Amended Environmental Certificate of Approval for the north lagoon a more robust testing of Net Lake waters started this year. Tests are completed weekly instead of monthly. As well, there is now a requirement for annual testing of the dissolved oxygen at various levels in Net Lake which was not a requirement in the previous ECA.

Regards,

Chris D'Aoust , CALA Water Quality Director

ALS ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYTICAL REPORT

Sample Details/Parameters	Result	Qualifier*	D.L.	Units	Extracted	Analyzed	Batch
L2496386-1 #1 RABBIT LAKE SOUTH END Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	50	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-2 #2 RABBIT LAKE MOUSE POINT Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	270	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-3 #3 RABBIT LAKE UOT Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	40	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-4 #4 RABBIT POINT Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	40	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-5 #5 CASSELS Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	80	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-6 #6 SNAKE LAKE Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	0		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	20	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-7 #7 NET LAKE (DOCKS) Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	3		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	190	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441
L2496386-8 #8 NET LAKE (WEST OF #11) Sampled By: CLIENT on 30-AUG-20 @ 16:00 Matrix: WATER Bacteriological Tests							
E. Coli	2		0	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209436
Total Coliforms	210	DLM	10	CFU/100mL		31-AUG-20	R5209441

* Refer to Referenced Information for Qualifiers (if any) and Methodology.