



## 2022 Temagami Municipal Election: Candidate Response to CALA questions

CALA Questions	1. Are you a permanent resident of Temagami?	2. How will you support and track the North Temagami Water treatment Plant and the South Temagami Water treatment plant and ensure the water released to Net Lake and Snake Lake is clean?	3. What is your position on the move from local Temagami Ambulance support to the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DSSAB) and how will this impact Ambulance and Medical service within Temagami and on the lakes?	4. What is your plan to build a stronger and more vibrant Temagami?	5. What is your position on forest harvesting and mining in the Temagami area?
<b>Margaret Youngs</b>	Yes, our family has been loving living in Temagami since 1989. We have lived on Lake Temagami and currently reside at Temagami North.	<p>The water in the Village of Temagami and at Temagami North being released from the South Water Tower and the North Water Tower, respectively; is tested weekly by OCWA (Ontario Clean Water Agency). The municipality is kept informed of this research and data weekly. This organization is the watchdog for water quality and safety issues, all over Ontario.</p> <p>Thanks to the teamwork of the current Mayor and Council and the Municipal Staff, a presentation of \$1.6m dollars was announced by the Federal government for Temagami, by our MP Anthony Rota, on Oct. 3/22. This \$1.6m is to be used for upgrading/repair/painting for the South Tower, in the Village. The Council is also seeking additional funding assistance from the government, for the upgrading/repair/maintenance of the</p>	DSSAB is now administering Temagami Ambulance and Medical service.	<p>It is essential in my view, to work with First Nation people and other cottage associations and groups here to find a co-operation and focus for an exciting and successful future for the next generation.</p> <p>In this term of Council we have all worked hard to have the best recommendations for where to direct our focus for the future success of our municipality.</p> <p>First, we commissioned a <u>Strategic Plan</u>, by consultants to give us direction. Then, a <u>Service Delivery Review</u>, and a <u>Waste Management Plan</u> based on data and research of our community and area. All of these documents (available on the municipal website <a href="http://www.temagami.ca">www.temagami.ca</a>), give a great blueprint of options and recommendations for progressing toward future success here.</p> <p>Choosing their advice to create an Economic Development Corp. for Temagami, has been started this year. I am hoping that the members of this Corp.(6-9 Board members), will be able to work to bring exciting new</p>	As there are currently timber harvesting operations continuously ongoing, with few jobs or revenue contributing to our community, I think resource extraction should be examined more seriously in regards to the future of our environment here. I support mining however, as the regulations regarding any future development of mining are overseen by government agencies like the Ministry of Energy, Northern Development; the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Ministry of the Environment. It is not like it has been in the past. In areas where there are no habitants, cottages, or residences, it would be acceptable in my view.

		North Water Tower, (located in the townsite).		businesses, events and opportunities for the municipality of Temagami! I would like to see a focus on ecotourism activities to bring people here to enjoy and respect this spectacular part of Ontario all year, such as: upgraded hiking trails, mountain biking trails, ATV guided tours, fishing tournaments, snowmobile trails, reviving <u>The Temagami Canoe Festival</u> and to creating more great events. The attraction of businesses and small businesses that do not contribute to pollution for our environment would be part of my plan also.	
<b>Robert Mills</b>	Yes, I am happy to say I am a permanent resident of Temagami.	The treatment plants have been getting a fair amount of work on them. About 4 million so far and we need to realize that this is very important for sustaining our lakes and fresh water for ourselves. This is unbelievably important and we need to keep on top of this	DSAAB has always been in control of the ambulance but had leased it to the town. In talking to the CEO, I understand that the service should be the same with maybe the ambulance working the Hwy a little more. But they will still be here for us	We need more housing and lots to build on but we need to lobby the government to help us to get started. If the government would help us with our infrastructure, I think we would be able to have our town move ahead	Controlled forestry harvesting would be a great thing as well as mining would sure go a long way in helping our economy grow again. I want everyone to know that I consider you to be my boss and you need to know that I will do anything for me with honesty and integrity and with transparency
<b>Wendell Gustavson</b>	I am a full-time resident of Temagami. I have lived and worked here for the past 22 years	Our water and treatment plants are maintained by OCWA as I'm sure you are aware. They are in our community at least twice a week monitoring what is happening at each plant. They have 24/7 remote monitoring of what each plant is doing. I would support them by making sure they have the funding needed to make repairs required and plan for upgrades that they know will be needed in the future. Any future growth in Temagami North will be done responsibly with the environment kept as a priority.	Ambulance service well I don't know all the ins and outs of what went on there. I think going to the DSSAB model as of right now is going to hurt our community as far as lake travel goes. I don't know all the details of the new policies and procedures that the DSSAB with implement but some changes also could be beneficial to our community i.e.: 24/7 on duty paramedics instead of on call.	I would support and encourage our local businesses and welcome new ideas to keep building a strong community. The haunted fire trail walk is an example of this. Its a new idea that if it goes well can be built upon. I will be out helping and participating in events and trying to lead by example. We need to keep a variety of community events to try and have a bit of something for everyone in our community within our resources that the municipality has	I would support the lumber and mining industries within our municipality and surrounding area. This has to be done in a responsible manner always keeping the environment and other local businesses as concern
<b>Carol Lowrey</b>	My name is Carol Lowrey and I have been a permanent resident	Normally, OCWA provides an annual report to Council regarding	I am quite worried that the Municipality has relinquished the	First, I believe our municipal government has to be strong	I support forest harvesting and mining in our area that complies

	<p>of Temagami for over forty years. Prior to that, my family has cottaged on Lake Temagami since 1903 which I continue to do with my own family.</p>	<p>the performance of our two water treatment and distribution systems and our two sewage collection and treatment systems. Both our sewage systems discharge to either Net Lake or Snake Island Lake.</p> <p>There has been a long standing and intermittent discharging of e-coli into Net Lake that remains to this day. The recent efforts to</p> <p>reduce infiltration of ground water into the Temagami North sewage system will eliminate some of the dilution effect which could possibly exacerbate the releases of e-coli. The Municipality has responded with engineering studies and has applied for funding to correct this problem.</p> <p>I would assign a single Councillor to provide governance oversight for this project who would update Council at every Council meeting as to what progress has been made to achieve the goal of eliminating the discharge of e-coli to Net Lake. These reports would be made available to concerned area residents. This is a municipal priority that has languished and needs closer scrutiny by Councillors.</p>	<p>Temagami Ambulance license to the District Of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board. The licence holder decides how they will deliver ambulance services. They can decide whether or not they will go out on area lakes or fly into remote locations. In addition, they can decide to provide a roving ambulance service rather than a service headquartered in Temagami. This may completely change the service we presently receive.</p>	<p>financially with proper capital budgets to keep our infrastructure</p> <p>maintained and operating budgets that address our needs rather than our wants to order to keep taxes at a reasonable level. Secondly, our best asset going forward is our healthy natural environment and it needs to be protected in order for it to be enjoyed by future generations and to support our future economic growth in cottaging and tourism. I believe we should pivot towards the service sector in our local economy by building a facility to provide a higher level of care for our seniors to enable them to remain in our community and, also, by attracting institutions of learning for trades and outdoor education in order to create well paying year round jobs.</p>	<p>with the principles of sustainability described in Part A of our Official Plan. I support the creation of the new Temagami Forest Management Corporation that applies these principles in the creation of Forest Management Plans (FMP) that must comply with the Temagami Land Use Plan for crown land. The FMP must protect the aesthetic viewscales adjacent to canoe routes, boating lakes and recreation lakes. While I support mining in principle, no mining should occur in the viewscales surrounding area lakes and there should be no visual evidence of mining from the surface of area lakes.</p>
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<p><b>Jo-Anne Platts</b></p>	<p>Yes, my husband and I are Permanent Residents of Temagami and we live on Cassels Lake. I work three days a week in North Bay and my husband John travels weekly to York Region for work. We have been coming to Temagami for thirty years canoeing and fishing with our two sons. Five years ago we decided that this spectacular region was where we wanted to live and we now happily reside in Temagami on a permanent basis. We love the region of Temagami and this community and we’re planning to retire in the next few years!</p>	<p>Clear, clean water in Cassels, Net and adjoining lakes is essential to the health of the fishery and recreational use. “Phosphorus is the most important nutrient that regulates biological activity (algae growth). The addition of phosphorus to a lake ultimately leads to a deterioration of water quality. Increasing quantities of algae decrease water clarity and, upon decay, deplete the oxygen supplies needed to support fish populations.” (CALA Water Quality, for CALA Web Site, March 13, 2016) Provincial and Municipal governments are responsible for ensuring that both drinking and wastewater comply with regulations, operating and effluent standards. The Temagami Municipal Council, and by extension, all residents of Temagami receive quarterly operations reports for the Temagami North and South Water and Wastewater Systems from the Ontario Clean Water Agency (OCWA). My family and I fish and recreate in Cassels and surrounding lakes so I have a vested interest in the results of the OCWA reports regarding the component operations, system flow rates and effluent. I have been personally reviewing and monitoring quarterly</p>	<p>My understanding is that most small Municipalities, such as Temagami, do not have their own local ambulance and Paramedic service. The transfer of ambulance and Paramedic service is scheduled to occur on December 1, 2022. There should be no negative service delivery impact for the residents of Temagami, in aligning this service with others managed by the District of Nipissing Social Services Administration Board (DNSSAB). However, I do think it will be important to monitor and review future service delivery results to verify this.</p>	<p>Revitalizing downtown Temagami and creating a vibrant and financially resilient town, year-round, is beneficial to everyone, permanent and seasonal residents and our First Nation partners. At the ‘All Candidates’ meeting held on October 6, I mentioned that the Municipality of Temagami is in the process of creating an Economic Development Corporation that will use local knowledge and other expertise to create solutions that support new and existing businesses. The work of this Board will focus attention on creating an attractive, vibrant, resilient and sustainable community. As a Council and a community we need to support the work of this Board. We need to attract and retain youth and young families in the region. There are many innovative and creative ideas that have been tried in communities like Temagami, across North America. We need to do our research, explore possibilities and learn from others to create a vibrant, sustainable and financially resilient town, for all ages.</p>	<p>Tourism within the region of Temagami is our greatest economic strength. Tourist lodges, wilderness operators, recreational camps, etc. all bring important resources into the region, year-round. We need to ensure that they can continue to operate and attract and retain new customers and clients. This can’t happen without ensuring our greatest asset, the natural environment, is protected. However, a strong economically healthy region cannot rely solely on tourism in the long run to prosper. The region of Temagami needs a diverse mixed economy based on forestry, mining, manufacturing and services for visitors and seasonal and permanent residents, as well as tourism. A diverse economy will help Temagami manage volatility and provide a more stable path for growth and development, in the long term. Sustainable forestry and mining practices are essential in the Region of Temagami to balance the needs of the environment and wildlife while providing competitive incomes for community families. Our community can both profit from mining and the production and sale of timber and other forest products while protecting the health and longevity of our forests. Economic</p>
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