

CLEAR LAKE COTTAGERS' ASSOCIATION
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Tuesday 11 June 2026
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
(video conference)

1. Call to order at 6:30 p.m. – Howie Longfellow, Bob Jolley, Joyce Jolley, Catherine Bacque, Al Hardiman, Joel McGrory, Mary Dobson. Howie had to excuse himself from the meeting and asked Bob to act as chair.
2. Adoption of Agenda. Moved by Mary, seconded by Catherine that the agenda be approved. Approved by All.
3. Review of Minutes of Annual General Meeting 03 August 2025
4. Treasurer / Membership Reports. Joyce reported a July 31 2025 balance of \$2,255.66. With subsequent membership deposits of \$465.00 the existing balance is now \$2,720.66. Moved by Al , seconded by Joel that the report be accepted, .All in favour.

Membership - CLCA had 36 paid up members (2025-26). To date, 16 members have prepaid for 2026-27. New Membership forms will be posted on the website prior to the 2026 AGM. Membership numbers remain constant despite several ownership changes around the lake. Agreed that new residents should be approached and encouraged to join.
5. President's Report. In the absence of a report, Bob advised he would update members on CLCA work completed since the last AGM during the Old and New Business portions of the meeting.
6. Lake Partner Program – An update and report will be presented at the AGM.
7. Neighbourhood Watch - Sgt. Brunet, has confirmed that OPP did not respond to any major incidents around Clear Lake since the AGM 2025.
8. Spring Clean-up- Bob reported that turn out for the he 2026 was minimal. Fortunately Carole and Steve Friedrich keep Northshore Rd clear all year around. This summer, Carole Anne also set out two plastic chairs along Northshore Rd as rest stops for pedestrians. Peter Bain dropped by to report that he had cleaned the sides of Clear Lake Rd prior to the Spring clean up day.
9. ELECTIONS - Director positions presently held by Howie, Bob, Al Hardiman, Mary Dobson and Joel McGrory will be up for election at the AGM. All incumbents have agreed to stay on, if no other applicant is nominated.
10. OLD BUSINESS

Roadside Pickup Regular trash pickup is already available to residents, however Councillor Nicole advises that deliver of “blue boxes” has been deferred until Fall 2026.

Safety Signage Beach- Beach signage has not been upgraded since the 2025 AGM. Signs are missing, or covered by trees. Howie has made arrangements to meet a Public Works representative on 17 June 2026 to discuss signage. On a positive note it appears the floating dock was repaired since the AGM.

Short-term Rentals - West Nipissing is presently reviewing the 2024 Bylaw. Bob updated members on progress to date.

Short-Term Rental Bylaw - Bob reported the new bylaw is in place and already be ing reviewed by Council. Indications are compliance and enforcement are lacking.

Trailer By-Law - Council is reviewing the Zoning Bylaw to conform to the newly proposed Official Plan. Recreational trailers will be addressed. This is a controversial issue. Bob updated the members on council actions to date..

11. NEW BUSINESS

West Nipissing Official Plan - West Nipissing Council has been drafted and council is now in the process of amending the Zoning Bylaw to address Plan changes.

Potable Water - Joel raised issues with the new West Nipissing potable water program (Bridge St yard in Sturgeon Falls). The program , is designed primarily for recreational trailers. Cottagers must who require less water must still pay the minimum \$20.00 dispensing fee. He is addressing this with Councillor Nicole and will report back to the Board.

Clear Lake Beach Sign In 2025, CLCA volunteered to assist West Nipissing by helping to design and install a “picture sign” at the beach. West Nipissing is supportive and will meet Howie on 17 June 2026 to discuss project parameters.

Tree Project- Beach West Nipissing contacted CLCA to determine our interest in helping with shade tree planting at the beach. A local resident is donating trees. Howie will discuss this at the 17 June 2026 meeting.

Cogeco Fibre Project At the AGM, Mayor Thorne Rochon indicated this project was underway. Al suggested CLCA make inquiries on progress and update local residents at the 2026 AGM.

2026 Newsletter Bob will draft a Newsletter outlining West Nipissing's plans for regulatory control of Short-term Rentals, Additional Residential Units, storage with sea-cans, and use of Recreational Trailers on Shoreline lots.

12. Adjournment - Moved by Joyce that the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.
13. Next Meeting Date: Sunday, 02 August 2026