



**Minutes**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**July 23, 2023**

**Attendance:** See attached list

**Staff in Attendance:** Carter Dorscht, Corinne Wilkerson, John Spry, Sarah Jones, Amy Carlson

**Welcome: Richard Warren, President:** Dick welcomed everyone to our AGM and began the meeting with a land acknowledgement of Indigenous peoples.

Dick highlighted the achievements over the past year, including a wealth of activities and the acquisition of a new boat, the TKC Heron, and recognized the important role that volunteers play in the success of the organization. He noted that the introduction of Zoom meetings allowed board members to be more engaged throughout the year. He thanked Sarah Vincenzo, who is leaving the board. A founding member of the TKC, Sarah was chair of the Policy Committee and produced many publications, including the annual reports. Dick also acknowledged John Hollingsworth, chair of the Land Securement Committee, who is leaving the board after ten years.

Dick recognized the late David Hofmann, a former board member and member of the Legacy Circle, for his generous gifts to TKC.

**Minutes of the July 24, 2022 meeting:**

**Motion:** That the minutes of the July 24, 2022 Annual General Meeting be accepted as presented.

**Moved by:** Deke Welles **2<sup>nd</sup> By:** Alice Hill **Motion Carried**

**Treasurer's Report:** Tom Dalton highlighted the financial information contained in the Annual Report (available on-line and distributed at the meeting). He thanked members for their donations and emphasized the need for continued support to cover staff salaries and ongoing operational expenses.

**Motion:** To retain Priddle-Luck Professional Corporation for audit next fiscal year.

**Moved by:** Betsy Kingery **2<sup>nd</sup> By:** Alden Meyer      **Motion Carried**

**Nominating Committee Report:** Susan Lang filled in for Terry Haight.

She introduced the proposed Slate of Directors for this year. List attached.

**Motion:** To elect the list of board members as proposed by the Nominating Committee.

**Moved By:** Susan Lang **2<sup>nd</sup> By:** Tom Dalton      **Motion Carried**

**Development Committee Report:** Alden Meyer reviewed the highlights from the past year, including the raising of stewardship funds for the Gravel Point Preserve and thanked Betsy and Bill Kingery for their leadership on the project. He noted that membership is growing and that the goal was met for the annual fundraising campaign. Alden also outlined the importance of the Legacy Circle and noted some of the things that TCK has been able to do with legacy gifts. He also acknowledged the important role of development committee members and staff in fundraising and grant proposals.

**Executive Director's Report:** Carter Dorscht thanked members, donors, board members and volunteers for their support and introduced TKC staff members.

Amy Carlson provided updates on the bat monitoring program.

Corinne Wilkerson highlighted some of the activities from the past year, including wildlife monitoring programs in partnership with Sault College, Algoma University, the Invasive Species Centre and a number of other organizations, as well as summer programs, guided hikes and paddles and the webinar series.

Carter expressed his appreciation for the staff. He highlighted TKC's involvement in an OLTA working group focused on community engagement and a partnership with the Invasive Species, RAIN and the Central Algoma Freshwater Coalition to create Lake Huron North, a network of organizations working to improve water quality in the St. Mary's River and North Channel.

**Land Securement Committee:** Carter filled in for John Hollingsworth.

He thanked John for his leadership and the Kingerys for their role in the creation of the Gravel Point Preserve. He also announced that Bowen Island is being donated to TKC by the Meyer family. A fundraising campaign has already raised most of the stewardship funds that will be needed for this property.

Carter also spoke about TKC's role in the federal government's goal to protect 30% of Canada's lands by 2030 and the province's Great Lakes Heritage Coast initiative.

Alice Hill congratulated Carter for being recognized as an exceptional young professional and winning an Algoma Visionary Award presented by the Strive Young Professionals Group.

**Motion:** To adjourn

**Moved By:** Alden Meyer **2<sup>nd</sup> By:** Tom Dalton **Motion Carried**

Meeting Adjourned.

Attachment #1  
AGM Attendance

Richard Warren	Ann Moore
Alice Hill	Chuck McKay
Jim Hill	Jill McKay
Kathleen McFadden	Dave Moule
David Euler	Besty Kingery
Susan Lang	Bill Kingery
Laurie Greenhough	Ron Wetteroth
Jamie Greenhough	Hunter Welles
Alex Bell	Ashleigh Snell
Brady Irwin	Hope Welles
Marty Swift	Deke Welles
Willis Swift	Laurie Ellis Bruckmann
Sarah Vincenzo	Alden Meyer
Keith Swift	Carter Dorscht - staff
Sally Cohen	Corinne Wilkerson - staff
Tom Dalton	Amy Carlson - staff
Kathy Smith	John Spry - staff
Peter Welles	Sarah Jones - staff

Attachment #2

**Proposed Slate of Directors**

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**UP FOR ELECTION FOR A THREE-YEAR TERM**

**Jane Karhi**

**Brady Irwin**

**Bess Celio**

**Tom Dalton**

**Libby Haight O'Connell**

**Susan Lang**

**Phil Murray**

**COMPLETED YEAR ONE OF THREE-YEAR TERM**

**Kathleen McFadden**

**Richard Warren**

**COMPLETED YEAR TWO OF THREE-YEAR TERM**

**Terry Haight**

**Nancy Schrank**

**Hope Welles**

**Alden Meyer**