

Landscape Ontario Horticultural Trades Association Annual General Meeting

Wednesday, January 10, 2024 @ 10:00 AM
Delta Hotel - Cohen Ballroom

All Landscape Ontario members are invited to attend the AGM but only Active and Honourary Life members can make a motion and vote.

MINUTES

Agenda Item	Whom
<p>1. President's Call to Order and Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Welcome to the 50th AGM for Landscape Ontario Horticultural Trades Association. We're so glad you could join us. My name is Lindsay Drake Nightingale and I am your Landscape Ontario President. ● Calling the Landscape Ontario AGM to order. ● I would like to start with a moment of silence to remember those members who have passed away this year. 	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>
<p>2. Introduction of the Landscape Ontario Board of Directors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● I would like to introduce the board and thank them for their service. ● Executive/Finance Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Dave Wright - Past President ○ Lindsay Drake Nightingale - President ○ Ed Hansen - 1st Vice President ○ Lindsey Ross - 2nd Vice President ○ Jeff Olsen - Treasurer ● Members at Large <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ David Milne ○ Rohan Harrison ● Chapter Board Representatives <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Jon Agg - Durham ○ Teresa Matamoros - Georgian Lakelands 	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>



- Fran MacKenzie - Golden Horseshoe
- Pam Cook - London
- Steve Neumann - Ottawa
- Jonas Spring - Toronto
- Terry Childs - Upper Canada
- Jason Dietrich - Waterloo
- Liana Desmarais - Windsor

- **Industry Sector Group Representatives**

- Beth Edney - Landscape Designers
- Art Vanden Enden - Garden Centres
- Sarah Beckon - Grounds Management
- Nick Winkelmolen - Growers
- Steve Macartney - Irrigation
- Peter Guinane - Landscape Contractors
- Jamie Riddell- Lighting
- Jon Agg - Snow and Ice Management
- Alan White - Turfgrass Management

- **Past Presidents of Landscape Ontario**

I would like to acknowledge the Past Presidents of Landscape Ontario. They made a foundation for the success of the Association. The legacy of their continued support is appreciated.

- 1973 Glenn Peister
- 1974 Casey van Maris (Honourable Mention)
- 1975 Marc Thiebaud (Honourable Mention)
- 1976 Gord Shuttleworth
- 1977 John Van Staveren
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- 1979 Karl Stensson
- 1980 Frank Kearney
- 1981 Barry Benjamin
- 1982 Harold Deenen
- 1983 Jim McCracken
- 1984 Doug Taylor (Honourable Mention)
- 1985 Bob Allen
- 1986 Peter Olsen (Honourable Mention)
- 1987 Monica Van Maris
- 1988, 1989 Neil Vanderkruk (Honourable Mention)
- 1990, 1991, 1992 John Peets
- 1993 Linda Sheely/Frans Peters
- 1994, 1995 Frans Peters



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 1996, 1997 Paul Olsen (Honourable Mention) ○ 1998, 1999 David Turnbull ○ 2000, 2001 Joan Johnston ○ 2002, 2003 Nick Solty ○ 2004, 2005 Gerald Boot ○ 2006, 2007 Bob Tubby (Honourable Mention) ○ 2008, 2009 Bob Adams ○ 2010, 2011 Tom Intven ○ 2012, 2013 Phil Charal ○ 2014, 2015 Dave Braun ○ 2016, 2017 Paul Brydges ○ 2018, 2019 Warren Patterson ○ 2020, 2021 Dave Wright <p>● Honorary Life Members Honorary Life Members “are distinguished individuals of outstanding accomplishment or contribution to the Horticultural Profession or the Association. I invite those members present to wave your hand in acknowledgement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Burke McNeill (Honourable mention) ○ Neil Vanderkruk (Honourable mention) ○ Marc Thiebaud (Honourable Mention) ○ Karl Stensson ○ Monica Van Maris ○ Casey van Maris (Honourable mention) ○ Harold Deenen ○ Paul Olsen (Honourable mention) ○ John Wright (Honourable Mention) ○ Hank Gelderman ○ Gerald Boot ○ Gord Shuttleworth ○ Bob Tubby (Honourable Mention) ○ Mark Cullen ○ Bob Allen ○ Jim Bauer (Honourable Mention) 	
<p>3. Recognition of Landscape Ontario's Milestone Membership</p> <p>The following are celebrating 25 years of membership with Landscape Ontario: (for those 25 years or more is closer to 400 members)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Adele Pierre Landscape Architect ● Botanical Designs & Installations Inc. 	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● CEC Mechanical Ltd. ● Classic Landscape Lighting ● Coldsprings Landscaping Ltd. ● DYC Properties ● Drimmie Property Maintenance ● Fleet Business Communications Ltd. ● Garden Glen Landscape Construction ● Goodalt Landscape Designers & Contractors Ltd. ● Hockley Landscape Services Inc. ● Integra Landscape Lighting ● Jamieson and Son Roofing Ltd. ● Lake Ridge Landscaping Ltd. ● Lakeridge Contracting Ltd. ● Lakeshore Landscaping ● Landscapes by Lucin ● Linde Truck and Trailer ● Lindsay Landscape Inc. ● Loadstar Trailers Inc. ● Matthew Behm Landscaping Ltd. ● Maxwell Stone ● McCague Landscape Construction ● NSS Holding Inc. ● Nor-Tech Power & Controls ● Paradise Decks and Landscape Design Inc. ● Pauls Services & Sales ● Pinnacle Quality Homes ● Pools for Home Design ● Pyramid Contracting Inc. ● Quiet Nature Ltd. ● Rock-Tech ● Rustic Pines Inc. ● Sheardown Property Management Inc. and/or Darren Sheardown ● Silverbel Landscaping & Snowplowing Ltd. ● Sunset Point Property Services Ltd. ● TankTek Environmental Services Ltd. ● Taylor & Son Construction ● Welwyn Wong Landscape Design 	
<p>4. CNLA Report - Bill Hardy & Dave Wright</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● <i>Little history CNLA 5 separate boards</i> ● <i>Refer to the CNLA as a group of companies</i> ● <i>Have communities in bloom - public outreach to the municipal sector</i> ● <i>Green cities foundation - started 5 yrs ago, projects coast to coast, have \$200k set aside, just approved another 80K for immediate future,</i> 	<p>Dave Wright (current CNLA Rep) (Alan White)</p>



<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Calculator they are developing ● CNCI - a separate board looking after plant health and trade issue ● COPF - looks after ● Active in the international front ● Board members AIGH ● Doing a lot of govt relation work with Ottawa, Dan Hill ● Last 3 yrs attending COPF conferences, 3 just got back from Dubai <p>I'd like to introduce Dave Wright. Dave is the Landscape Ontario representative on CNLA (Canadian Nursery Landscape Association). CNLA represents our national interests. As provincial associations we strive to align agendas and activities so that we advance our profession together.</p>	
<p>5. Procedural Announcements</p> <p>If a vote is required, only Active and Honorary Life Members of the Association can vote. Joe Sabatino and Joe Salemi will act as scrutineers.</p> <p>Voting Instructions: When a motion has been put forward, to second the motion please raise your voting card and state your name and the voting member company that you represent.</p> <p>At this time we require <u>Confirmation of a Quorum</u>: In accordance with By-law No 1, Article 11, Section 1, there must be 35 Members present to hold a meeting.</p> <p>Quorum to be confirmed by Joe Sabatino, Landscape Ontario's Controller.</p>	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>
<p>6. Additions to Agenda</p> <p>A copy of the Agenda was published and made available on the website. It has also been printed and made available as you entered.</p> <p>The Agenda is also on screen. At this time, I would ask if anyone has anything to add to the agenda under New Business. No additions to Agenda</p> <p>MOTION: TO APPROVE THE AGENDA FOR THE JANUARY 10, 2024 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AS PRESENTED.</p>	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>



<p>Motion by: Peter Guinane Seconded by: David Milne Discussion: None Vote: carried All in favor</p>	
<p>7. Acceptance of Minutes from AGM, JANUARY 11, 2023</p> <p>MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2023 AGM AS PRESENTED</p> <p>Motion by: Paul Doornbos Seconded by: Phil Charral Discussion: None Vote: carried All in favor</p>	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>
<p>8. Business Arising from JANUARY 2023 AGM Minutes</p> <p>List of action items from last year's meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Membership committee going through review and re-write - bylaws ● Coming up with ways to include supplier members 	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>
<p>9. Reports</p> <p>a) President's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Defining the future ii) Definitely come to fruition, pleasure watching this organization grow how board enhances chapter engagement iii) GROW program has helped with labour and workforce development, training onboarding, moving people to our passionate industry iv) Opportunities for networking at Landscape Ontario v) Lots of programs growing with Apprenticeship, creates the backbone of our profession, defines our future as well vi) Lovely opportunity to work with our board <p>b) Executive Director's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Significant amount of work around govt relations, working with city of Burlington ii) CNLA introduced this year Plants Love You campaign - An ingredient brand iii) GROW Program - Can sponsor staff of your own company, \$2000 covered by the govt, iv) Landscape Ontario the hiring hub for the profession in Ontario, thank goodness to funding 	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale Joe Salemi Jeff Olsen</p> <p>Jeff Olsen</p> <p>Jeff Olsen</p>

<p>c) Budgets & Finance Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Copies of the Audited Financial statements were included in the Annual Report that was published and made available on the website. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Joe Sabatino is available to answer any questions ○ Lindsey's report ○ As a matter of protocol, I will be presenting 4 motions dealing with the financial statements and budgets <p>September, 2022 – August, 2023 Financial Statement</p> <p>MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER, 2022 TO AUGUST, 2023 Motion by: Jeff Olsen - David Turnbull Seconded by: Beth Edney Discussion: None Vote: carried None opposed</p> <p>September, 2023 – August, 2024 Proposed Budget</p> <p>MOTION: TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSED BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR SEPTEMBER, 2024 to AUGUST, 2025 Motion by: Jeff Olsen - Treasurer Blake Tubby Seconded By: Phil Charal Discussion: None Vote: carried All in favor</p> <p>Appointment of Auditors</p> <p>MOTION: TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF SMITH, CHAPPELL, MARSH, VILANDER AS AUDITORS FOR SEPTEMBER, 2023 to AUGUST, 2024. Motion by: Sally Harvey Seconded By: Brian Cocks Discussion: None Vote: carried All in favor</p>	<p>Jeff Olsen</p> <p>Jeff Olsen</p> <p>Jeff Olsen</p>
<p>10. 2024 Directors Positions & Representations The current Board of Directors has just completed their two year term. At the Board of Directors Meeting in November 2024, all</p>	<p>Lindsay Drake Nightingale</p>



positions were declared vacant and the Board voted on each new member.

Past President: Lindsay Drake Nightingale

President: Ed Hansen

1st Vice President: Lindsey Ross

2nd Vice President: Jeff Olsen

Treasurer: Pam Cook

The Chapter and Sector Groups appoint their own representatives. Here are the new representatives for 2024

- **Chapter Board Representative 2024**

- Rob Havery - Durham
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a) **New President Address to the Members** - Ed Hansen

i) Theme: We are stronger together!

b) Election of 2 Members-at-Large to serve on the Provincial Board of Directors

Ed Hansen

All positions on the Board of Directors are appointed by the Chapters and Sector Groups except for 2 Members at Large positions which are voted on at the AGM. Last year the Members at Large were Rohan Harrison and David Milne.

Lindsay Drake Nightingale



<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Please provide an update on the salt (snow liability issues) - Marc Green	
12. Announcements - related to Congress	Lindsay Drake Nightingale
13. Meeting Adjourned 11:16am	Lindsay Drake Nightingale