

# White Lake Stewardship Plan – Steering Committee

MINUTES

OCTOBER 22, 2015

7-9 PM

DARLING WHITE LAKE  
COMMUNITY CENTRE

<b>MEETING CALLED BY</b>	White Lake Preservation Project, French Planning Services, Watersheds Canada
<b>TYPE OF MEETING</b>	Steering Committee
<b>FACILITATORS</b>	French Planning & Watersheds Canada
<b>NOTE TAKER</b>	Melissa Dakers
<b>TIMEKEEPER</b>	Randy French
<b>ATTENDEES</b>	Conrad Gregoire (White Lake Preservation Project –WLPP) Randy French & Gord Rodgers (French Planning Services Inc.) Barb King, Melissa Dakers & Brent MacDougall (Watersheds Canada) Dan Ryan (White Lake Property Owners Association – WLPOA) Steve Roberts (Lanark Highlands Township Councilor) Adam Pugh (Cedar Cove Resort) Walter & Elvira Geisser (Bayview Lodge) Andra Bettencourt (White Lake Marina) Jeff Ward & Elizabeth Holmes (Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry – MNRF) Matt Sully (White Lake Village)

## Agenda topics

15 MINS

### 1. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

CONRAD GREGOIRE

<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Welcome to second meeting</li> <li>Introductions &amp; affiliations</li> </ul>	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Request to participate received by Algonquin First Nations, waiting to find out how they will participate. Randy to follow up with Algonquin First Nations when State of the Lake Report is drafted.	Randy French	Fall 2015

10 MINS

### 2. MEETING BUSINESS

CONRAD GREGOIRE & RANDY FRENCH

<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Approval of Minutes from August 20, 2015</li> <li>Approval of Agenda</li> <li>Overview of Steering Committee Meeting #1 – Randy French</li> </ul>	
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Comments from all handouts to be sent to Melissa Dakers.	All	Oct.29, 2015
Handouts to be finalized and put on websites.	Watersheds Canada	Oct.30, 2015
Need to link WLPP & WLPOA websites.	Conrad Gregoire & Dan Ryan	Fall 2015

15 MINS

### 3. OVERVIEW OF PUBLIC WORKSHOP #1

RANDY FRENCH & GORD RODGERS

<b>DISCUSSION</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overview of Community Meeting #1 – held Oct.3/15 in Pakenham (handout) – 66 people attended.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Values, Issues &amp; Actions were identified by participants – Water Quality #1 for both value &amp; issue. Another issue identified – discrepancy between 4 townships.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 50 potential actions identified by participants.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Great success, next community meeting will be in spring once State of the Lake Report draft is released.</li> </ul>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Need to add Mississippi Mills Mayor’s quote to summary.	Randy French	Oct.30, 2015

40 MINS

**4. ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION – STEERING COMMITTEE**

**RANDY FRENCH & GORD RODGERS**

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Round table discussion on “What do Steering Committee Members want out of this process?” And “How do we best achieve it?”</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consensus – new development pressures, educating people on frozen lake etiquette, need to find and put out “spot fires” before they become major issues on lake.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A plan to protect the lake for future generations. Lake provides a livelihood for local people and they rely on the health of lake for income.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• People need to be informed. We need to focus on education to address the problems. And we need common sense actions to do.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Need a process to engage our municipal partners, especially on matters like natural shorelines and water quality, to harmonize our approach.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Explanation that French Planning &amp; Watersheds Canada are facilitators in process – they are the resource people to help the Steering Committee prepare the Lake Stewardship Plan. This is a community driven process, it is the community’s plan, not French Planning or Watersheds Canada.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Recent water quality results for 2015 shows a discrepancy between organizations (WLPP &amp; WLPOA), could have been a lab error, need to verify with MVCA results. This requires better collaboration between the two organizations.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• More enforcement is needed on lake – for regulations, both development, fisheries and boating.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MNRF, MOECC &amp; MVCA are here as Steering Committee Members and have resources available.</li> </ul>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
MVCA – obtain status on 2015 water quality sampling results.	Alyson Symon	Nov. 2015
Discuss water quality results with MOECC – Victor Castro.	Gord Rodgers	Nov. 2015

20 MINS

**5. REVIEW & DISCUSSION ON HANDOUTS**

**RANDY FRENCH & GORD RODGERS**

DISCUSSION		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work Plan – Randy gave overview, framework of 2 yr project, 4 or 5 meetings.</li> <li>• Steve Roberts – need to submit delegations to council, and not just present information for their interest. Must make a request for Council to vote and act on. (need to ask for something, i.e., an addendum to the official plan).</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Terms of Reference – overview given, noted that French Planning and Watersheds Canada are not members of Steering Committee, only facilitators. Need to invite other members such as Glenalee Campground, which has a large presence on lake. Also invite local Fish &amp; Game Clubs.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Framework for State of Lake Report – overview given, the draft will be completed and forwarded to the Steering Committee Members for review in January/February. The SOL Report will provide a snapshot of everything we know about the lake to date.</li> </ul>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Communications Strategy – overview given by Melissa Dakers – well received, looking for any comments or additions to document.</li> </ul>		
ACTION ITEMS	PERSON RESPONSIBLE	DEADLINE
Invite Glenalee Campground, Arnprior Fish & Game Club.	Melissa Dakers	Oct. 2015

Update Contact lists.	Melissa Dakers	Oct. 2015
All Steering Committee Members to provide final comments on handouts.	Steering Committee Members	Oct. 26, 2015
All minutes, documents will be posted on websites, including WLPP, WLPOA and Watersheds Canada.	Melissa Dakers	Fall 2015

**5 MINS**

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

**CONRAD GREGOIRE**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New page on WLPP.ca for Stewardship Plan info. – all documents will be placed on page, WLPOA can link to it.</li> </ul>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Send out updated documents to committee and Conrad to post on WLPP website.	Melissa Dakers	Oct.30, 2015

**5 MINS**

**7. NEXT STEPS**

**RANDY FRENCH**

<b>DISCUSSION</b>		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Next Steering Committee meeting will be held in February or March, when State of the Lake Report Draft is complete.</li> </ul>		
<b>ACTION ITEMS</b>	<b>PERSON RESPONSIBLE</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
Book DWLCC for next Steering Committee Meeting #3 for February or March, when date is announced.	Melissa Dakers	Jan. 2016

**Meeting adjourned at 9:00pm**