

# NORWAY LAKE ASSOCIATION CONSTITUTION

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## PURPOSES AND AIMS

The Norway Lake Association (NLA) has been founded in 1973 for all property owners to work for their common good through the maintenance and enhancement of the quality of life by careful attention to such matters as water quality, shoreline development, boating and swimming safety, and other issues that arise from time to time.

The purposes and aims of the NLA shall include all matters of mutual concern to the membership as provided in the By-laws.

## NAME

The name of the organization shall be the "Norway Lake Association", hereinafter called the NLA.

## HEADQUARTERS

The headquarters of the NLA shall be the property of the elected President.

## EXECUTIVE

The affairs of the NLA shall be managed and conducted by the elected Executive of the Association in accordance with the Constitution and By-laws, which may be changed by vote of the members from time to time.

The Executive shall consist of four members, as stated in the By-laws and any number of directors as deemed necessary.

Half plus 1 of the members of the Executive shall constitute a quorum at any Executive meeting. All votes shall be passed **in the same manner** with the same majority.

The membership shall elect the President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer and four or more Directors in accordance with the By-laws of the Association, to hold office for such term as the By-laws provide.

## MEMBERSHIP

Membership in the NLA may be obtained by either of the following:

- (a) All property owners with property on Norway Lake.
- (b) One designate of the property owner, identified in writing by the owner, to the Executive.

Voting membership entitles each property to one vote only and no more than one vote per multi-property owners at any meeting of the NLA.

Members in good standing can attend any General Meeting and can vote on general motions arising from the meeting and can also vote for the election of Officers for the Executive.

Members in good standing shall be those who have paid membership fees to the Association. There is only one membership per property regardless of the number of people residing at the property.

Membership renewal fees should be paid by cash or cheque annually.

The membership year runs from the date of the Annual General Meeting to the following Annual General Meeting.

### GENERAL MEETINGS

An Annual General Meeting shall be held at a time and place and conducted in a manner stated in the By-laws of the Association, for the transaction of such business as may be brought before the meeting.

The Executive shall be nominated and elected at the Annual General Meeting. The term of office shall be for a length of time described in the By-laws.

Other General Meetings of the NLA may be convened and held as the By-laws provide.

A quorum shall consist of the number of the current members in attendance. Motions shall be passed by a majority.

## **BY-LAWS**

The Executive may from time to time pass new By-laws to carry out the purposes and aims of the Association. Every such By-law shall have force only until confirmed by vote at the next Annual General Meeting of the members of the Association, and in default of confirmation thereat, shall cease to have force.

Any By-law passed by the Executive may be repealed, amended or varied by the members of the Association at any Annual General Meeting or any General Meeting.

### EXEMPTIONS

Any activities such as boat races, picnics, fishing derbies, boat flotilla's, etc. shall not be sponsored under the name of the NLA, pending a decision on insurance.

The NLA does not assume any responsibility for verbal or written comments made by members, which pertain to local or township matters that have not been supported by the Executive.

Representations by the NLA must be supported by a majority of the Executive.

The NLA assumes no responsibility for any illegal activities carried out by any of its members.

In a case of conflict of interest in situations dealing with the NLA and a member of the Executive, that member shall not participate in any voting or representation on behalf of the

Association.