

## **HALIBURTON HIGHLANDS LAND TRUST**

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Nov. 2001 - attendance by Ian Daniel at Ontario Land Trust Alliance Annual Conference.

2002-2003 - increased awareness by Environment Haliburton (EH!) Of the value of Land Trusts in protecting the environment.

Sept. 2003 - public forum called “Between the Lakes” organized by Environment Haliburton with 38 persons attending. Speakers and panelists included members of executives of other land trusts, biologists, foresters. Endorsement by those present of efforts to organize a land trust for Haliburton.

Nov. 2003 - Search committee formed by Environment Haliburton to find persons willing and able to serve as directors.

Jan 2004 - Seven persons agree to sit on first Board of Directors.

Feb. 2004 - First meeting of Board of Directors.

2004-2005 - Preparation of incorporating documents including objects and operating by-law. Ian Attridge engaged to work with board on this project.

Mar. 23 2005 - Incorporation of Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

2005 - Preparation of criteria for selection of properties.

May 26 2005 - Approval of Haliburton Highlands Land Trust as a registered charitable organization .

Oct. 13 2005 - Approval of Haliburton Highlands Land Trust as a potential recipient of gifts under the Ecogifts program of Environment Canada.

2004-2006 - Discussion with various property owners concerning possible donations or creation of conservation easements.

Dec. 2005 - March 2006 hiring of Brenda Van Sleeuwen as student intern to gather and organize data on the physical and environmental features of Haliburton County. Project led by Brent Wootton with assistance of Mary Anne Barkhouse. Funding obtained from Haliburton County Development Corporation.

March 2006 - June 2006 - Discussions with Mr. Bruce Carruthers and Kennisis Lake Cottage Owners Association (KLCOA) concerning the acquisition of Norah’s Island for the Haliburton Highlands Land Trust.

May 2006 - Support for Norah's Island project requested and obtained at Spring meeting of KLCOA

Feb. 2006 - June 2006 - creation of Web Site for HHLT by students from Fleming College under supervision of Brent Wootton.

May 2006 - Publication of first illustrated brochure outlining goals, activities and membership application. Project led by Mary Anne Barkhouse.

June 10 2006 - First Annual General Meeting of HHLT.

Ian Daniel, Chair, Board of Directors, Haliburton Highlands Land Trust