

Board Meeting Highlights

70th Annual General Meeting

January 22, 2021

Welcome and Greetings:

Chair Emmerson welcomed everyone to the Authority's 70th Annual General Meeting and recognized the many guests who participated in the virtual meeting from the Federal and Provincial governments, the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation, as well as municipal partners and many Authority staff members. Board members introduced themselves and Chair Emmerson called upon a few guests to bring greetings on behalf of their respective organizations. The Honourable Deb Schulte, Minister of Seniors and Federal Member of Parliament King-Vaughan brought greetings on behalf of the Government of Canada. Parliamentary Assistant to the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks and Member of Provincial Parliament Barrie-Innisfil Andrea Khanjin brought greetings on behalf of the Province of Ontario. Debbi Conzelmann, President of the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors, brought greetings on behalf of the Foundation Board. A former CAO of the Authority, Gayle Wood, brought greetings on behalf of the International Joint Commission's Great Lakes Water Quality Board.

Presentations:

a) 2020 Year in Review

Chair Emmerson was pleased to welcome the Authority's new Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin, to his first meeting as the CAO. CAO Baldwin introduced the Authority's Executive Leadership Team and reviewed the 2020 accomplishments, noting how pleased he is with how well staff adapted to the COVID-19 challenges and continued to care for the lake. CAO Baldwin shared a video showcasing the Authority's 2020 highlights and accomplishments. To view this video, please click this link: [2020, A Year in Review](#)

b) Lake Simcoe Tributary Health

Manager, Environmental Science and Monitoring, David Lembcke provided a presentation on the health of the Lake Simcoe tributaries. To view this presentation, please click this link: [Lake Simcoe Tributary Health](#)

c) Conservation Lands – 2020 Highlights and Trends

General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp provided a presentation on conservation area enhancements, greenspace trends, and future planned enhancements. To view this presentation, please click this link: [Conservation Areas 2020 Highlights](#)

d) Restoration Services – Top 10 Project of 2020

Manager, Restoration Services, Christa Sharp provided a presentation on restoration highlights and accomplishments. To view the top 10 restoration projects of 2020, please click this link: [Top 10 Restoration Projects of 2020](#)

Conclusion of 2020 Business:

Chair Emmerson concluded the Year 2020 business and deemed the Chair vacant.

2021 Business:

The 2021 Business portion of the meeting was called to order by the CAO Rob Baldwin, who served as Chair Pro Temp during the election of the Chair and Vice Chair for 2021.

Election of Officers for 2021:

Regional Municipality of York Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson was reappointed to the position of Chair for 2021 and Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Councillor Peter Ferragine was reappointed to the position of Vice Chair for 2021.



2021 Board of Directors' Meeting Schedule:

The Board approved the following meeting schedule for the remainder of 2021. Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will continue to be held virtually until further notice:

Friday, January 22nd

Friday, February 26th

Friday, March 26th

Friday, April 23rd

Friday, May 28th

Friday, June 25th

Friday, July 23rd

No meeting in August

Friday, September 24th

Friday, October 22nd

Friday, November 26th

Friday, December 17th

To view LSRCA's AGM media release, please click the following link:

<https://www.lsrca.on.ca/Pages/Conservation-Authority-succeeds-despite-2020-challenges.aspx>