

BOD-175-18 **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-10-18 held on Friday, November 30, 2018 be approved as circulated. CARRIED**

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

- a) CAO Mike Walters referenced the latest edition of Lake Simcoe Living magazine, which was handed out to Board members, noting that staff prepared a great article on the impacts of plastic. He also noted that many staff, through the SWITCH Committee, had recently taken a plastics pledge in an effort to reduce the use of single-use plastic.
- b) CAO Walters referenced Bill 66, the proposed Restoring Ontario's Competitiveness Act, 2018, noting it is a very complex matter and that he would not be providing comments at this time; rather, LSRCA will be responding to the EBR posting, and a staff report will be prepared for the Board in February 2019.

V. PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations at this meeting.

VI. HEARINGS

There were no hearings at this meeting.

VII. DEPUTATIONS

There were no depositions at this meeting.

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 were identified under items requiring separate discussion.

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

No items were identified under items not requiring separate discussion.

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1. Correspondence

Councillor Ferragine thanked CAO Walters for sending the well-written letter to MECP regarding Ontario's Drinking Water Source Protection Program and asked if there has been a response. CAO Walters noted that a response had not been received. Subsequent to the meeting, thanks and acknowledgement was received from the Ministry's Corporate Correspondence Unit, noting that a reply will be sent as soon as possible.

Moved by: P. Ferragine

Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-176-18 **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Item 1a) be received for information. CARRIED**

2. Pangman Springs Conservation Area Restoration Project - Agreement for Completion of the Construction Phase

Councillor Ferragine asked for an explanation for the recommendation given the approximately \$50,000 difference between the recommended contractor and the contractor with the lowest quote. Restoration Program Coordinator, Christa Sharp, advised that the lower bidder did not have experience in wetlands or barrier removal, and the recommended contractor has experience with barrier removal in stream restoration projects and wetlands. CAO Walters went on to note that LSRCA has used contractors in the past with no experience and it has ended up costing us more to fix issues. He went on to note that this is one of the biggest projects we've done, it's a very complex project and we want it to be done properly.

Board members agreed that while it is good to question the selection, in this case the contractor's experience is critical to the success of the project, and the lower bidders can sometimes end up costing more money in the long run.

Moved by: P. Molloy

Seconded by: R. Simpson

BOD-177-18

RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 49-18-BOD regarding the Pangman Springs Conservation Area Restoration Project and the results of Tender No. RFT #RS-2018-PSCA-001 be received; and

FURTHER THAT staff's recommendation to award the tender (RFT #RS-2018-PSCA-001) to R&M Construction be approved. CARRIED

3. Single Source Professional Services Agreement Award – Emmons & Olivier Resources Canada, Inc.

Councillor Eek noted that while she very much appreciates and enjoys the relationship LSRCA has with agricultural community, she was wondering why Goodyear Farm is not paying full price for the project being done on their property. Restoration Program Coordinator, Christa Sharp, noted that the farm owner is paying a portion of the design and construction, and LSRCA is assisting with internal programs and resources and will assist in managing the project.

Moved by: J. Grant

Seconded by: A. Eek

BOD-178-18

RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 50-18-BOD regarding a Single Source Professional Services Agreement Award to Emmons & Olivier Resources Canada, Inc. for detailed design and construction administration for a restoration project to address agricultural surface runoff from Goodyear Farms in the Township of Brock at a cost of \$68,598 excluding taxes be approved. CARRIED

4. Water Balance Offsetting Policy

Councillor Ferragine asked for an explanation as to what this additional policy means for municipalities not currently within policy areas. General Manager, Planning & Development, Rob Baldwin noted that municipalities have been working with similar policy to address water quality for quite some time. This request is an expansion of the same offsetting concept used in source water protection regulation, only to address water balance. The policy is proactive and will "level the playing field" across the remainder of the

watershed. It is essential that water balance is maintained to mitigate future impacts to our ground water supplies and water sensitive natural heritage features, while working to accommodate development within plan approved growth areas. For example, lots contained within the secondary plan in south Barrie cannot achieve pre and post water balance; therefore, offsetting is an alternative to allow plan approved development to proceed while mitigating the impact. With the ability of finding an offset elsewhere within the municipality, we are able to achieve no net loss in water balance. The compensating offset with LSRCA is always the last option to be considered. Proponents must demonstrate that they cannot achieve onsite water balance and are given the option of providing their own for offset subject to LSRCA's approval. GM Baldwin noted that there is no opposition from the BILD industry, and that the LSRCA policy is a designated policy within the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan (LSPP).

Moved by: P. Ferragine

Seconded by: M. Quirk

BOD-179-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 51-18-BOD regarding the Water Balance Offsetting Policy be received; and**

FURTHER THAT the Water Balance Offsetting Policy be approved for implementation effective January 1, 2019. CARRIED

5. Scanlon Creek Conservation Area – Operations Centre Renovation Project Update

Councillor Ferragine noted that he is pleased to see this renovation project moving forward and asked about the original estimate and the additional items totaling \$576,000. General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp, advised that the initial estimate of \$1.4M was conceptual, and as the project progressed and more information became available, a Class A Estimate was completed based on the current state of the building, increasing the estimated cost to \$2.2M. There were still a number of additional considerations, such as; approvals, internet connectivity, parking lot development, and costs associated with staff displacement during the renovation, which are estimated to cost close to \$600,000. CAO Walters noted that the Class A Estimate was not completed prior to the timing of budget asks with our municipal partners. Had we waited on the Class A Estimate, we would have missed a full calendar year of budget and resulted in significantly delaying the project.

GM Kemp went on to note that ten firms submitted proposals for the prequalification and six were invited to bid on the renovation project. Staff would now like to continue to assess options including initiating discussions with W.S. Morgan Construction to work towards value engineering and reducing the project scope to bring the proposed expenditure within the budget envelope for 2019, and to report back to the Board.

Moved by: V. Hackson

Seconded by: J. Dolan

BOD-180-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 52-18-BOD regarding an update on the Scanlon Creek Operations Centre Renovation Project and the results of the recent Request for Tenders be received; and**

FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained within Staff Report No. 52-18-BOD be approved. CARRIED

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

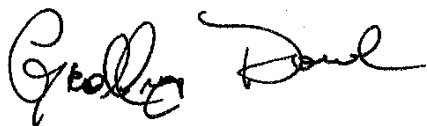
- a) Chair Dawe reminded members that LSRCA's AGM will take place on Friday, January 25, 2019 at Newmarket Old Town located at 460 Botsford Street @ 10:00 a.m.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: R. Simpson

Seconded by: S. Macpherson

BOD-184-18 **RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned @ 11:42 a.m. CARRIED**



Geoffrey Dawe
Chair



Michael Walters
Chief Administrative Officer