Lake Simcoe Region conservation authority

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

No. BOD-05-18 – Friday, May 25, 2018

120 Bayview Parkway, Newmarket, ON

MINUTES

LSRCA Board Members Present:
Mayor G. Dawe, Chair
Councillor R. Simpson, Vice Chair
Deputy Mayor/Regional Councillor N. Davison
Regional Councillor B. Drew
Councillor A. Eek
Councillor P. Ferragine
Mayor J. Grant
Mayor V. Hackson
Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre
Councillor D. Kerwin
Councillor S. Macpherson
Deputy Mayor P. Molloy
Mayor M. Quirk
Councillor S. Strangway

LSRCA Staff Present:
M. Walters, Chief Administrative Officer
R. Baldwin, GM, Planning & Development
M. Critch, GM, Corporate & Financial Services
B. Kemp, GM, Conservation Lands
B. Longstaff, GM, Integrated Watershed Management
K. Christensen, Manager, Human Resources
K. Yemm, Manager, Corporate Communications
T. Barnett, Coordinator, BOD/CAO
B. Booth, Manager, Regulations
P. Davies, Manager, Forestry and Stewardship
N. Hamley, Manager, Education
S. Jagminas, Communications Program Coordinator
T. Stevenson, Environmental Regulations Analyst

Regrets:
J. Dolan
Councillor K. Ferdinands
Councillor P. Silveira
Township of Ramara

I. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None noted for this meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: A. Eek Seconded by: S. Strangway

BOD-076-18 **RESOLVED THAT the content of the Agenda for the May 25, 2018 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as presented.** CARRIED

III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a) Board of Directors' Meeting – March 23, 2018

Moved by: V. Hackson Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-077-18 **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-03-18 held on Friday, March 23, 2018 be approved as circulated.** CARRIED

Chair Dawe brought forward for receipt at this time Correspondence Items 1b), an email dated May 4, 2018 from Town of Georgina Clerk and attached Georgina Council meeting minutes of March 22, 2018; and 1c), an email dated May 17, 2018 from Georgina Mayor Margaret Quirk concerning the March 23, 2018 LSRCA Board of Directors' meeting.

Mayor Quirk reiterated that the correspondence items noted above and specifically the resolution passed by Georgina Council at their March 22nd meeting requesting that LSRCA decline the Section 28 permit for Maple Lake Estates explained why she had recused herself from this item at the March 23rd LSRCA Board of Directors' meeting. Mayor Quirk thanked CAO Walters for his assistance in this matter.

Moved by: V. Hackson Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-078-18 **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Items 1b) and 1c) be received for information.** CARRIED

b) Board of Directors' Meeting – April 27, 2018

Moved by: V. Hackson Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-079-18 **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-04-18 held on Friday, April 27, 2018 be approved as circulated.** CARRIED

c) Conservation Ontario Council – April 16, 2018

Moved by: V. Hackson Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-080-18 **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Conservation Ontario Council meeting #01/18 held on Monday, April 16, 2018 be received for information.** CARRIED

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) CAO Walters reminded Board members that nominations for LSRCA's Annual Conservation Awards are now open for and will remain open until June 15th. Nominations can be made through the following link: Nominate-Environmental-Heroes or by contacting Katarina Zeppieri, Senior Administrative Assistant, Communications and Education, at 905-895-1281 x 116 or k.zeppieri@lsrca.on.ca

b) Councillor Macpherson was pleased to present a $10,000 cheque from the Barrie Colts to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation in support of its Annual Fundraising Dinner on June 13th.

V. PRESENTATIONS

a) Results of Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change Research

Manager, Forestry and Stewardship, Phil Davies, provided the Board with a presentation on the Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change Research Project, noting that while climate change is often discussed at the bigger level, LSRCA has undertaken some research in an effort to better understand the impacts of climate change on LSRCA's programs going forward.

The objectives of this project were to develop a revised list of tree and shrub species that may be used to improve the effectiveness and success of restoration, afforestation, Low Impact Development (LID) and stormwater management plans in the watershed; incorporate the changes into LSRCA programming; and transfer that knowledge to municipalities, conservation authorities and environmental non-government organizations (ENGOS) within the Lake Simcoe watershed and beyond.

An internal working group was formed, extensive literature was reviewed, stakeholder consultation meetings were held, after which a total of forty-four adaptation strategies were developed to mitigate the impacts of climate change on LSRCA's afforestation, silvicultural, tree risk management, urban restoration and watershed planning programs.

The most significant impacts for forested areas are extreme weather events and significant wind storms, coupled with their increase in frequency. Planning for storm recovery and protecting what we currently are just a couple of way we will see success in adapting to future. To view the full report, please click this link: LSRCA Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change Report

For more information on the study and the strategy, please contact Philip Davies, Manager, Forestry and Stewardship @ p.davies@lsrca.on.ca or 905895-1281 ext 321.

Moved by: A. Eek Seconded by: P. Ferragine

BOD-081-18 **RESOLVED THAT the presentation by Manager, Forestry and Stewardship, Philip Davies regarding research on Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change be received for information.** CARRIED

Staff Report No. 19-18-BOD prepared by Manager, Forestry and Stewardship Philip Davies, regarding the results of research on Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change was included in the agenda.

Moved by: V. Hackson Seconded by: R. Simpson

BOD-082-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 19-18-BOD regarding an update on the Adapting Forestry Programs for Climate Change Research Project Summary Report be received for information.** CARRIED

b) LSRCA's Annual Operating Plan 2018

Chief Administrative Officer, Mike Walters, provided the Board with a presentation on LSRCA's Annual Operating Plan for 2018, noting that LSRCA's Strategic Plan 2016-2020 is at the half-way point and much progress has been made on the four major goals and 42 priority activities. He noted that staff continues to perform very well and have recently completed a new goal setting process.

The objectives of the goal setting process included aligning with the Strategic Plan Goals and Annual Operating Plan (AOP) to provide clear direction to all employees, empower sponsors of key initiatives, enhance collaboration among departments, improve accountability through involving and informing stakeholders, and to encourage continuous calibration/reporting of progress through staff meetings.

Along with the many business-as-usual activities, the AOP for 2018 has been defined as follows:

1. Harmonization
2. Enhance Collaboration with First Nations
3. Staff Engagement
4. Scanlon Creek Education Training Facility
5. Talent Management
6. Compensation Review
7. Land Acquisition/Disposition Strategy
8. Scanlon Creek Operations Renovation
9. Lake Simcoe Phosphorus Offsetting Program - Implementation
10. Asset Management Plan
11. Climate Change Adaptation/Mitigation
12. Salt Management Strategy

CAO Walters noted that Council deputations have been arranged over the next couple of months to present LSRCA's AOP 2018 to our municipal partners. To view this presentation, please click this link: LSRCA's Annual Operating Plan 2018

Moved by: S. Macpherson Seconded by: S. Strangway

BOD-083-18 **RESOLVED THAT the presentation by Chief Administrative Officer, Mike Walters, regarding LSRCA's Annual Operating Plan for 2018 be received for information.** CARRIED

VI. HEARINGS

There were no hearings at this meeting.

VII. DEPUTATIONS

There were no deputations at this meeting.

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

No items were identified as requiring separate discussion.

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 1b) and 1c) were received earlier in the meeting, leaving Items 1a), 2 and 3 remaining, all of which were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

Moved by: J. Grant Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-084-18 **RESOLVED THAT the following recommendations respecting the matters listed as "Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion" be adopted as submitted to the Board, and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same**. CARRIED

1. Correspondence

BOD-085-18 **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Item 1a) be received for information.** CARRIED

2. Update on LSRCA's Investment Strategy

BOD-086-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 20-18-BOD regarding an update on LSRCA investment options and a recommended investment strategy be approved.** CARRIED

3. Update on LSRCA's Administrative By-Laws

BOD-087-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 21-18-BOD regarding updating the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Administrative By-Laws be received; and**

FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary Treasurer be directed to table the draft Administrative By-Laws at the June and July 2018 Board of Directors' meetings with the intent to present a final version for approval at the September 28, 2018 meeting. CARRIED

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

There were no items requiring separate discussion.

XI. CLOSED SESSION

The Board moved to Closed Session to deal with confidential legal and human resources matters.

Moved by: S. Macpherson Seconded by: D. Kerwin

BOD-088-18 **RESOLVED THAT the Board move to Closed Session to deal with a confidential legal matter; and**

FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer, members of the Executive Management Team, the Manager, Regulations, the Environmental Regulations Analyst, and the Coordinator BOD/CAO remain in the meeting. CARRIED

The Board rose from Closed Session.

Moved by: N. Davison Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-089-18 **RESOLVED THAT the Board rise from Closed Session and report findings**. CARRIED

a) Legal Matter

The Board received Confidential Staff Report No. 22-18-BOD regarding a legal matter prior to the meeting.

Moved by: D. Kerwin Seconded by: B. Drew

BOD-090-18 **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 22-18-BOD regarding a confidential legal matter be received for information.** CARRIED

Moved by: P. Molloy Seconded by: R. Simpson

BOD-091-18 **RESOLVED THAT staff be directed to undertake enforcement activities and pursue necessary legal action to resolve issues outlined in Confidential Staff Report No. 22-18-BOD.** CARRIED

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

a) The next meeting will be held on Friday, June 22nd @ 9:00 a.m. at LSRCA's offices located at 120 Bayview Parkway in Newmarket.

b) Mayor Grant thanked LSRCA staff for their assistance at the May 12th Cannington Horticultural Society tree planting event, where LSRCA brought 200 trees and shrubs and participated in the tree planting event.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: R. Simpson Seconded by: P. Ferragine

BOD-092-18 **RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned @ 10:42 a.m.** CARRIED

Mayor Geoffrey Dawe
Chair

Michael Walters
Chief Administrative Officer