

# Board Meeting Highlights

February 24, 2017

## **Presentations:**

### **Georgina Island Subwatershed Plan**

Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Bill Thompson, updated the Board regarding the Georgina Island subwatershed plan, noting it is the final plan and one that has been most interesting to work on. He noted it has been a partnership between LSRCA and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, and that cultural views and traditional knowledge were insightful and incorporated into the plan. Ecological evaluations, wetland evaluations, and littoral studies were conducted, and lots of new information was found on natural heritage features, swamp habitat, and a surprising number of interesting species. Seasonal watercourses and high levels of phosphorus in the tributaries were found, and elders raised concerns over the creeks drying up. He advised that Chippewas of Georgina Island will be responsible for the implementation of the plan, and noted that their Environmental/By-Law Coordinator, Kerry Ann Charles, had already used the plan to generate funding and with LSRCA's assistance, had restored the creek. Mr. Thompson noted that he was impressed with their ability to generate funds and get things done.

## **Correspondence and Staff Reports:**

### **Correspondence**

The Board received a copy of LSRCA's letter to the Honourable Bill Mauro, Minister of Municipal Affairs dated January 20, 2017.

### **Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act: Annual Statistical Report 2016**

The Board received Staff Report No. 04-17-BOD, prepared by Shelley Fogelman, Senior Administrative Assistant, Corporate & Financial Services, which provided the Board with a summary of Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act – Annual Statistical Report for 2016.

### **Year-end Monitoring Report - Planning and Development Applications for 2016**

The Board received Staff Report No. 05-17-BOD, prepared by Beverley Booth, Manager Regulations, which provided the Board with a summary of planning and development applications for the period January 1 through December 31, 2016.

### **Reserve Administration – Amalgamation of Deer Park and New Forest Endowment Fund Reserves**

The Board approved Staff Report No. 06-17-BOD, prepared by Katherine Toffan, Manager Finance, which provided the Board with a recommendation regarding the amalgamation of the conservation easement reserves for Deer Park and New Forest into one reserve, to be referred to as the Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve, within the Endowment Funds category.

*Delegation of Signing Authority for Minor Applications pursuant to Ontario Regulation 179/06*

The Board approved Staff Report No. 07-17-BOD, prepared by Beverley Booth, Manager Regulations, which requested signing authorization for the Senior Regulations Analyst for minor development applications made pursuant to Ontario Regulation 179/06.

*CAO/Secretary-Treasurer Signing Authority - Summary of 2016 Purchase Orders*

The Board received Staff Report No. 08-17-BOD, prepared by Michael Walters, Chief Administrative Officer, which provided the Board with a summary of purchase orders over \$25,000 signed by the Chief Administrative Officer during 2016.

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