



BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING  
No. BOD-08-16 – Friday, September 23, 2016  
120 Bayview Parkway, Newmarket, ON

**MINUTES**

**LSRCA Board Members Present:**

Councillor R. Simpson, Vice Chair  
D. Bath  
Regional Councillor B. Drew  
Councillor A. Eek  
Councillor K. Ferdinands  
Councillor P. Ferragine  
Mayor V. Hackson  
Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre  
Councillor D. Kerwin  
Councillor S. Macpherson  
Deputy Mayor P. Molloy  
Deputy Mayor J. O'Donnell  
Mayor M. Quirk  
Councillor P. Silveira  
Councillor S. Strangway

**Regrets:**

Mayor G. Dawe, Chair  
J. Dolan  
Deputy Mayor/Regional Councillor D. Wheeler

**LSRCA Staff Present:**

M. Walters, Chief Administrative Officer  
R. Baldwin, GM, Planning & Development  
B. Kemp, GM, Conservation Lands  
R. Jarrett, GM, Communications & Education  
J. Lee, GM, Corporate & Financial Services  
B. Longstaff, GM, Integrated Watershed Management  
T. Barnett, Coordinator, BOD/CAO  
S. Auger, Stormwater Management Specialist  
S. Jagminas, Communications Program Coordinator  
N. Knight, Communications Specialist  
D. Lembcke, Manager, Environmental Science and Monitoring  
M. Leung, Communications Specialist

**Guests:**

R. Clark, RC Design  
H. Luscher, RC Design  
R. Tsangaris, RC Design

The meeting was chaired by Vice Chair Simpson.

**I. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None noted for this meeting.

**II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by: S. Strangway

Seconded by: V. Hackson

BOD-100-16

**RESOLVED THAT the content of the Agenda for the September 23, 2016 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as presented. CARRIED**

**III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES**

a) Board of Directors Meeting – July 22, 2016

Moved by: D. Bath

Seconded by: S. Macpherson

BOD-101-16            **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-07-16 held on Friday, July 22, 2016 be approved as circulated. CARRIED**

**IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

*a) LSRCA Annual Report Award*

General Manager, Communications and Education, Reneé Jarrett, was very pleased to announce that [LSRCA's 2015 Annual Report](#) received recognition at the ARC Awards (an international competition that honours excellence in annual reports) by being chosen in the top 30 out of over 2,000 entries from 32 countries. Recognized at the Board meeting were members of [RC Design](#), LSRCA's graphic design firm for Annual Reports and other projects. GM Jarrett congratulated LSRCA's Communications team, Sue Jagminas as the project lead and lead writer/researcher; Melissa Rosato for her photography; and Kristen Yemm, for providing creative direction and empowering her team to be their best.

*b) Upcoming Stewardship Events*

Communications Specialist, Nancie Knight, provided Board members with a list of stewardship events planned around the watershed in October. For more information on these and other events or to find an event near you, please click the following link: [LSRCA Events Calendar](#) or contact Nancie Knight at [n.knight@lsrca.on.ca](mailto:n.knight@lsrca.on.ca) or 905-895-1281 ext 144.

*c) Handouts*

Board members received the latest copy of [Lake Simcoe Living](#) magazine, as well as Volume 12 of LSRCA's [Lake Simcoe Science Newsletter](#).

**V. DEPUTATIONS**

There were no deputations at this meeting.

**VI. HEARINGS**

There were no hearings at this meeting.

**VII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Items 1, 3, and 5 were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

**VIII. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Moved by:    B. Drew

Seconded by: P. Ferragine

BOD-102-16            **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-103-16           **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Items 1 a) and b) be received for information. CARRIED**

**3. Ontario Climate Change Action Plan**

BOD-104-16           **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 36-16-BOD regarding the Climate Change Action Plan be received for Information. CARRIED**

**5. Update on Feed-in-Tariff Program Application for a Renewable Energy Generation Contract**

BOD-105-16           **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 38-16-BOD regarding entering into a contract with the FIT Program to support the installation of a 37kW solar panel array at LSRCA's Administrative Offices be approved. CARRIED**

**IX. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

**2. Budget Status Report**

In response to a question by Deputy Mayor O'Donnell on what a Wildlife Passage Program is, General Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Ben Longstaff advised that this is an initiative within the subwatershed planning program that looks at improving habitat connectivity. He went on to note an example is the turtle passage pilot project, which aims to decrease vehicle-wildlife collisions by installing fencing to guide turtles through culverts and bridges to transfer from one habitat to another, thereby keeping them off the roads. He also noted that a presentation on the project is planned for an upcoming Board of Directors' meeting.

Deputy Mayor O'Donnell asked what Watershed Health Monitoring includes. General Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Ben Longstaff advised that amongst other things, this expenditure includes hundreds of monitoring sites across the watershed that provide data for subwatershed plans, which require staff time to collect and assess the data. Other expenditures in this program, he explained, include the purchase of new research vessel, a data portal, which is a web-based system that allows the download of the data collected. GM Longstaff also noted that it is a very comprehensive program that includes flood warning management system, risk management, as well as valuable information for environmental assessments.

Moved by: D. Bath

Seconded by: P. Molloy

BOD-106-16           **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 35-16-BOD regarding LSRCA's Budget Status for the eight month period ending August 31, 2016 be received for information. CARRIED**

**4. Coordinated Land Use Planning Review**

On a question from Deputy Mayor O'Donnell regarding how the review of the plans will affect new development, General Manager, Planning and Development, Rob Baldwin advised that the language

currently does not mesh entirely throughout the various plans, and LSRCA is recommending clarification of the language and pushing for harmonization for infrastructures.

Mayor Quirk referred to the comment regarding Large Fill Operations and asked if the policies added cover all situations. GM Baldwin noted that the policies are general in nature and not quite what was hoped for; however, staff are pleased it has been recognized and are still working with MOECC on fill guidelines.

Moved by: A. Eek

Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-107-16            **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 37-16-BOD regarding the Coordinated Review of the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, Greenbelt Plan, Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, and Niagara Escarpment Plan be received; and**

**FURTHER THAT the letter contained herein, along with referenced attachments, be submitted to the province as LSRCA's formal response to the Coordinated Land Use Planning Review. CARRIED**

#### X. CLOSED SESSION

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

Moved by: B. Drew

Seconded by: P. Ferragine

BOD-108-16            **RESOLVED THAT the Board move to Closed Session to deal with confidential human resources matters, and**

**FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer, the Executive Management Team, the Manager of Communications, the Communications Specialist, and the Coordinator, BOD/CAO remain in the meeting for the discussion on Item a); and**

**FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer remain in the meeting for the discussion on Item b). CARRIED**

The Board rose from Closed Session.

Moved by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

Seconded by: S. Strangway

BOD-109-16            **RESOLVED THAT the Board rise from Closed Session and report findings. CARRIED**

a) Confidential Human Resources Matter

Confidential Staff Report No. 39-16-BOD was provided to Board members prior to the meeting.

Moved by: D. Bath

Seconded by: P. Silveira

BOD-110-16            **RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 39-16-BOD regarding a legal matter be received for information. CARRIED**

b) Confidential Human Resources Matter

A confidential human resources matter was discussed at the meeting.

Moved by:    V. Hackson

Seconded by:    S. Macpherson

BOD-111-16            **RESOLVED THAT the discussion regarding a confidential human resources matter be received for information. CARRIED**

## **XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

- a) Mayor Quirk noted that she receives phone calls from residents regarding weeds washing up in Georgina and wondered how she should respond. CAO Walters offered to have LSRCA's Limnologist, Brian Ginn, provide a presentation at the next meeting on aquatic plants. Mayor Quirk noted she would also like to get information out to the public, and CAO Walters agreed to work with staff and Mayor Quirk to hold a forum on aquatic plants in the near future.
- b) Mayor Quirk asked for follow up on violation notices, noting that Board members are copied on these notices; however, it would be good to know if matters are resolved. CAO Walters noted that staff will work on a solution to be discussed at a later date.
- c) Mayor Quirk asked if LSRCA permits can somehow be displayed on the property site, similar to building permits. General Manager, Planning and Development, Rob Baldwin advised that this has been looked into in the past, and privacy laws in the *Conservation Authorities Act* are very different from those of a municipality. CAO Walters advised that staff will see what can be done.
- d) The next meeting of the Board of Directors will be held on Friday, October 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 a.m. This meeting will be held at the offices of LSRCA located at 120 Bayview Parkway, Newmarket.

## **XII. PRESENTATIONS**

a) Walking Tour of LSRCA's Newly Renovated Administrative Offices Parking Lot

Stormwater Management Specialist, Steve Auger, took Board members on a walking tour of the Low Impact Development features installed in LSRCA's Administrative Offices Parking lot expansion and restoration project.

Moved by:    S. Harrison-McIntyre

Seconded by:    P. Ferragine

BOD-112-16            **RESOLVED THAT the presentation by Stormwater Management Specialist, Steve Auger, regarding the Walking Tour of LSRCA's Administrative Parking Lot Expansion Project be received for information. CARRIED**

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

Seconded by: S. Macpherson

BOD-113-16

**RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned @ 11:40 a.m. CARRIED**



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Councillor Richard Simpson  
Vice Chair



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Michael Walters  
Chief Administrative Officer