

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

No. BOD-02-20 – Friday, February 28, 2020

120 Bayview Parkway, Newmarket, ON

MINUTES

LSRCA Board Members Present:

Regional Chairman W. Emmerson, Chair

Councillor P. Ferragine, Vice Chair

Councillor K. Aylwin

Councillor A. Eek

Councillor W. Gaertner

Councillor R. Greenlaw

Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre

Mayor M. Quirk

Councillor C. Riepma

Regional Councillor T. Vegh

Councillor E. Yeo

Regrets:

Mayor D. Barton

Mayor D. Bath-Hadden

Mayor B. Drew

Councillor K. Ferdinands

Mayor V. Hackson

Councillor A. Waters

Township of Ramara

LSRCA Staff Present:

M. Walters, Chief Administrative Officer

R. Baldwin, GM Planning & Development

M. Critch, GM, Corporate and Financial Services

B. Kemp, GM, Conservation Lands

B. Longstaff, GM, Integrated Watershed Management

K. Christensen, Manager Human Resources

K. Yemm, Manager, Communications

T. Barnett, Coordinator, BOD/CAO

A. Brown, Acting Director, Regulations

A. Copeland, Climate Change Planning Assistant

T. Harvey, Hydrogeology Assistant

S. Jagminas, Senior Communications Advisor

K. Kennedy, Land Securement Officer

N. O'Dell, Communications Specialist

K. Read, Integrated Watershed Management Specialist

M. Rosato, Communications Specialist

C. Sharp, Restoration Program Coordinator

B. Thompson, Manager, Watershed Plans and Strategies

Guests:

R. Gilliland, Town of Aurora

S. Nastke, Town of Georgina

I. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None noted for this meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: P. Ferragine

Seconded by: C. Riepma

BOD-016-20 **RESOLVED THAT** the content of the Agenda for the February 28, 2020 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as presented. CARRIED

III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a) Board of Directors' Annual General Meeting – January 24, 2020

Moved by: T. Vegh Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

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BOD-017-20 **RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Annual General Meeting No. BOD- 01-20 held on Friday, January 24, 2020 be approved as circulated.** CARRIED

b) Conservation Ontario Council – December 9, 2019

Moved by: T. Vegh Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-018-20 RESOLVED THAT the minutes of Conservation Ontario Council Meeting #4/19 held on Monday, December 9, 2019 be received for information. CARRIED

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

a) CAO Mike Walters thanked the many Board members who attended the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks consultation held in Barrie on February 7th, noting it was a productive meeting and he was pleased to see that all presentations were supportive of the work of conservation authorities.

V. PRESENTATIONS

a) <u>Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority</u>

Integrated Watershed Management Specialist, Kaitlyn Read, provided an overview of the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, noting there is no doubt that our climate is changing, and we have the data to show it. To ensure LSRCA's approach to climate change adaptation is strategic and targeted, the development of a Climate Change Adaptation Strategy was identified as a priority action to achieve Goal 2 of LSRCA's 2016-2020 Strategic Plan – to improve knowledge and increase certainty through excellence in research and scientific knowledge. The Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for LSRCA forms part of a larger LSRCA initiative to address climate change, including a corporate Carbon Reduction Strategy and a Climate Change Mitigation Strategy for the watershed.

The Climate Change Adaptation Strategy was initiated in 2016 and involved a series of steps; including, downscaling the global climate projections to the Lake Simcoe watershed; reviewing LSRCA's monitoring data and technical reports to determine the vulnerability of the watershed to projected future climate; and identifying recommendations for action. All this material was compiled into the technical chapters in the Strategy. At the outset of the project, an internal working group was formed to guide the overall direction of the strategy, as well as to review technical content and assist in developing recommendations. This working group consisted of representatives from a number of LSRCA's departments, as well as external stakeholders from Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation, Ministry of Environment Conservation and Parks (MECP), Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Simcoe Muskoka District and York Region public health agencies, watershed municipalities, and neighbouring conservation authorities.

The overall objective of the strategy was to assess the potential impacts of a changing climate on watershed function and to recommend ways that LSRCA programs and services can adapt to ensure they remain effective at protecting the Lake Simcoe watershed in projected future climates. To achieve this, a total of 36 recommendations were developed, falling under the following four goals:

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- 1. To ensure that people, properties and communities remain sufficiently protected as climate conditions change.
- 2. To increase watershed resistance and resilience to climate change through conservation, restoration, and improvement of natural ecosystems.
- 3. To enhance knowledge of the watershed's natural environment and its response to a changing climate through science and monitoring for informed and adaptive decision-making; and
- 4. To facilitate partnerships and connect people to the watershed in order to build awareness and capacity to adapt to a changing climate in the Lake Simcoe watershed.

Implementation of the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy will be achieved through the development of an implementation plan, which will identify actions, responsibilities and timelines. Adaptive management will also be applied to track the progress and effectiveness of recommendations and to modify as required. For additional information on the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for LSRCA, please contact Kaitlyn Read @ k.read@lsrca.on.ca or 905-895-1281 ext 148.

To view this presentation, please click this link: Climate Change Adaptation Strategy Presentation

To view the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, please click this link: Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for LSRCA

Moved by: W. Gaertner Seconded by: T. Vegh

BOD-019-20 RESOLVED THAT the presentation by Integrated Watershed Management Specialist, Kaitlyn Read, regarding the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be received for information. CARRIED

The Board approved Staff Report No. 02-20-BOD regarding the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority.

Moved by: W. Gaertner Seconded by: T. Vegh

BOD-020-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 02-20-BOD regarding Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be received; and

FURTHER THAT the Climate Change Adaptation Strategy for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be approved. 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

Item No. 2 was identified under items requiring separate discussion.

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items No. 1, 3, 4, 5, and 6 were identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

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

BOD-021-20 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

Correspondence

BOD-022-20 **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Items 1a) and 1b) be received for information.** CARRIED

3. <u>Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act:</u> Annual Statistical Report for 2019

- BOD-023-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 04-20-BOD regarding the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act 2019 Annual Statistical Report be received for information. CARRIED
- 4. Monitoring Report Planning and Development Applications for the period January 1 to December 31, 2019
- BOD-024-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 05-20-BOD regarding monitoring of planning and development applications for the period January 1 through December 31, 2019 be received for information. CARRIED
- 5. LSRCA's Land Disposition Policy for Municipal Infrastructure and Other Project Considerations
- BOD-025-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 06-20-BOD regarding LSRCA's Draft Land Disposition Policy for Municipal Infrastructure and Other Project Considerations be received for information; and

FURTHER THAT the recommendations and policies contained within this report be approved. CARRIED

6. Update on Pre-qualification of Restoration Consultants and Contractors

BOD-026-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 07-20-BOD regarding pre-qualification of Consultant and Construction Services for Low Impact Development Retrofit Projects, and for Natural Heritage Restoration Projects – Grasslands, Wetlands and Streams be approved; and

FURTHER THAT staff be directed to re-issue the Request for Expression of Interest for Consultant and Construction Services for Low Impact Development Retrofit Projects and Natural Heritage Restoration Projects – Wetlands, Stream and Grassland Restoration every two years; and

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> FURTHER THAT the current prequalified vendors remain on the list for a one-time fouryear term. CARRIED

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

2. Board Member Appointment to Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation

Chair Emmerson advised that he has scheduling conflicts with the 2020 Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation (LSCF) Board of Directors' meetings and asked for an alternate member to take his place. Regional Councillor Tom Vegh offered to sit on the LSCF Board of Directors.

Moved by: C. Riepma Seconded by: A. Eek

BOD-027-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 03-20-BOD regarding appointing a designate member to represent LSRCA on the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors on behalf of the Chair be received; and

FURTHER THAT Regional Councillor Tom Vegh be appointed to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors for 2020. CARRIED

XI. CLOSED SESSION

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

Moved by: S. Harrison-McIntyre Seconded by: R. Greenlaw

BOD-028-20 RESOLVED THAT the Board move to Closed Session to deal with confidential legal and human resources matters; and

FURTHER THAT the Chief Administrative Officer, members of the Executive Management Team, the Acting Director, Regulations, and the Coordinator BOD/CAO remain in the meeting for the discussion. CARRIED

Moved by: E. Yeo Seconded by: T. Vegh

BOD-029-20 RESOLVED THAT the Board rise from Closed Session and report findings. CARRIED

a) <u>Human Resources Matter</u>

Moved by: C. Riepma Seconded by: K. Aylwin

BOD-030-20 **RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 08-20-BOD regarding confidential human** resources matter be endorsed. CARRIED

b) <u>Legal Matter</u>

Moved by: C. Riepma Seconded by: K. Aylwin

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BOD-031-20 RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 09-20-BOD regarding a confidential legal matter be received for information. CARRIED

c) Legal Matter

Moved by: C. Riepma Seconded by: K. Aylwin

BOD-032-20 RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 10-20-BOD regarding a legal matter be received for information. CARRIED

d) Legal Matter

Moved by: C. Riepma Seconded by: K. Aylwin

BOD-033-20 RESOLVED THAT update on the Confidential legal matter be received for information.

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Michael Walters

CARRIED

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: R. Greenlaw Seconded by: M. Quirk

BOD-034-20 RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned @ 10:52 a.m. CARRIED

Regional Chairman W. Emmerson

Chair Chief Administrative Officer