

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

No. BOD-07-20 – Friday, June 26, 2020

Virtual Meeting

MINUTES

LSRCA Board Members Present:	LSRCA Staff Present:	
Regional Chairman W. Emmerson, Chair	M. Walters, Chief Administrative Officer	
Councillor P. Ferragine, Vice Chair	R. Baldwin, GM Planning & Development	
Councillor K. Aylwin	M. Critch, GM, Corporate and Financial Services	
Mayor D. Barton	B. Kemp, GM, Conservation Lands	
Mayor D. Bath-Hadden	B. Longstaff, GM, Integrated Watershed Management	
Mayor B. Drew	K. Christensen, Director Human Resources	
Councillor A. Eek	C. Taylor, Executive Director, LSCF	
Councillor K. Ferdinands	K. Yemm, Director, Corporate Communications & Engagement	
Councillor W. Gaertner	T. Barnett, Coordinator, BOD/CAO	
Councillor R. Greenlaw	M. Bessey, Director, Planning	
Mayor V. Hackson	N. Hamley, Manager, Education	
Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre	C. Howson, Hydrogeologist	
Mayor M. Quirk	S. Jagminas, Senior Communications Advisor	
Councillor C. Riepma	K. Nesbitt, Administrative Assistant, Engineering	
Regional Councillor T. Vegh	N. O'Dell, Communications Specialist	
Councillor A. Waters	G. Peat, Manager, Director, Information Services & Technology	
	M. Rosato, Communications Specialist	
Regrets:	C. Sharp, Restoration Program Coordinator	
Councillor E. Voo		

Councillor E. Yeo Township of Ramara

I. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None noted for this meeting.

II. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: K. Ferdinands

Seconded by: M. Quirk

BOD-078-20 RESOLVED THAT the content of the Agenda for the June 26, 2020 meeting of the LSRCA Board of Directors be approved as circulated. CARRIED

III. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

a) Board of Directors' Meeting – May 22, 2020

Moved by: K. Aylwin

Seconded by: C. Riepma

BOD-079-20 RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-06-20 held on Friday, May 22, 2020 be approved as circulated. CARRIED

IV. ANNOUNCEMENTS

 a) Chair Emmerson noted that the Connect Campaign held a successful and well attended virtual meeting on June 24th to raise awareness of the need for a new Nature Centre at Scanlon Creek Conservation Area for LSRCA's Education Program.

V. PRESENTATIONS

a) LSRCA's 2020 Budget Companion Document

CAO Mike Walters provided Board members with a glimpse of LSRCA's 2020 Budget Companion Document, noting that the document talks about all LSRCA programs and services, providing an open and transparent picture of what we do, along with the costs to deliver services. Other details include outcomes for each program area, as well as workplans for 2020. CAO Walters proudly noted that this document is produced entirely inhouse by LSRCA's Communications department and that other conservation authorities have also begun producing their own budget companion document.

To view this document, please click this link: LSRCA's 2020 Budget Companion Document

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

BOD-080-20 RESOLVED THAT the presentation by CAO Mike Walters regarding LSRCA's 2020 Budget Companion Document be received for information. CARRIED

b) LSRCA Stories of Lake Simcoe: Science to Action

General Manager, Integrated Watershed Management, Ben Longstaff, noted that as Board members are aware, reporting on the health of Lake Simcoe, along with protecting and restoring the lake, is an important part of the work undertaken by LSRCA. It demonstrates our commitment and allows us to share results for residents and interested stakeholders. The need was identified to share this information with non-technical yet engaged groups, residents, municipal staff, etc., and a unique approach to story telling through on a web-based tool was created.

Communications Specialist, Nancie Knight, who led this initiative, shared this new product with Board members, noting this story series was created to inform, engage, and empower our local environmental groups and partners. This tool was selected so the already engaged audience could become more informed and use the information to take action in their own communities. The project team of GIS, Forestry, Restoration, Integrated Watershed Management and Communications worked collaboratively on this initiative. Ms. Knight took the Board through an online tour of the webpage.

To view this presentation, please click this link: Stories of Lake Simcoe: Science to Action

To access this tool on our website, please click this link: <u>https://www.lsrca.on.ca/watershed-health/stories-of-lake-simcoe</u>

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Moved by: A. Eek Seconded by: D. Barton

BOD-081-20 **RESOLVED THAT the presentation by Communications Specialist, Nancie Knight,** regarding LSRCA Stories of Lake Simcoe: Science to Action be received for information. CARRIED

c) Scanlon Creek Operations Centre Renovations Update

General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp, provided the Board with an update on the renovations at Scanlon Creek Operations Centre and was pleased to note that the renovations are very close to completion. He reviewed the project timelines, noting the project was tracking well at the beginning of 2020, then shut down for a month due to COVID-19. Construction recommenced May 19th and virtual site meetings were held every two weeks, and staff had constant daily contact with the contractors. The targeted project completion is July 6th. GM Kemp took the Board through a virtual tour of the renovated building, pointing out the many new features that now make this building fully accessible. He was pleased also to showcase the reuse of some emerald ash trees cut down due to the emerald ash borer, as well as the new watershed science workroom.

To view this presentation, please click this link: <u>Scanlon Creek Operations Centre Renovations Update</u>

Moved by:	P. Ferragine	Seconded by	: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-082-20 **RESOLVED THAT the presentation by General Manager, Conservation Lands, Brian Kemp** regarding an update on the renovations at Scanlon Creek Operations Centre 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

Items No. 1a) to 1d) were identified under items requiring separate discussion.

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Item No. 2 was identified as items not requiring separate discussion.

Moved by: B. Drew Seconded by: K. Ferdinands

BOD-083-20 **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

2. LSRCA Business Continuity and Operational Response to the COVID-19 Pandemic

BOD-084-20 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 28-20-BOD regarding the update in LSRCA's business continuity and operations in response to the COVID-19 pandemic be received for information. CARRIED

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

1. Correspondence

Mayor Quirk requested an update on the Pefferlaw Dam. CAO Walters advised that D.M. Wills Associated completed the inspection on May 22nd and their report is expected the first week of July. Once staff and the Town of Georgina have reviewed it, recommendations will be discussed and public consultation will follow. The Ownership issue remains unsolved. A report will be coming to the Board at their July meeting.

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

BOD-085-20 **RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed in the agenda as Items 1a) to 1d) be received for** information. CARRIED

XI. CLOSED SESSION

There were no Closed Session items for this meeting.

XII. OTHER BUSINESS

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by: K. Ferdinands

Seconded by: C. Riepma

BOD-086-20 RESOLVED THAT the meeting be adjourned @ 10:15 a.m. CARRIED

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Regional Chairman W. Emmerson Chair

Michael Walters Chief Administrative Officer