



72nd Annual General Meeting

Board of Directors' Meeting No. BOD-01-23

Friday, January 27, 2023

Held at Old Town Hall Newmarket

Meeting Minutes

LSRCA Board Members Present

Regional Chairman W. Emmerson (Chair), Councillor P. Ferragine (Vice Chair), Mayor D. Barton, Councillor S. Bell, B. Drew, Councillor F. Drodge, Councillor A. Eek, K. Ferdinands, J. Gough, Mayor R. Greenlaw, Mayor V. Hackson, Councillor B Hamilton, Councillor D. Le Roy, Mayor I. Lovatt, Councillor S. Harrison-McIntyre, Councillor C. Pettingill, Mayor M. Quirk, Councillor C. Riepma, Deputy Mayor and Regional Councillor T. Vegh, Councillor E. Yeo

LSRCA Board Members Absent

K. Aylwin, Councillor W. Gaertner, Regional Councillor B. Garrod, Councillor M. Thompson, Councillor A. Waters

Guests in Attendance

R. Adams, S. Crons, R. Cronsberry, S. Donaldson, M. Geist, D. Genge, R. Gilliland, B. Johns, S. Kurtz, S. Lahey, T. Roy-DiClemente, B. Verkaik

I. Chair's Welcome and Introductions

Chair Emmerson welcomed everyone to the 72nd Annual General meeting of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and recognized a number of guests in attendance.

Roll Call – 2022 Board Members

The 2022 Board Members introduced themselves and advised which municipality they represent.

II. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and Conflict of Interest

None noted for the meeting.

III. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: D. Barton

Seconded by: B. Drew

BOD-001-23 **Resolved That** the content of the Agenda for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's 72nd Annual General Meeting held on Friday, January 27, 2023 be approved as presented. **Carried**

IV. Adoption of Minutes

a) Board of Directors

Moved by: C. Riepma

Seconded by: E. Yeo

BOD-002-23 **Resolved That** the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting No. BOD-10-22 held on Friday, December 16, 2022 be approved as circulated. **Carried**

V. Greetings

Chair Emmerson called upon some guests to bring greetings on behalf of their respective organizations. First up was Bonnie Fox of Conservation on behalf of General Manager Angela Coleman, and next Marvin Geist, President of the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors, brought greetings on behalf of the Foundation.

VI. Presentations

a) Transition through Continued Collaboration with the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD)

Mr. Jason Sheldon, Executive Vice President, Land at The Remington Group and Chair of the Building Industry and Land Development Board of Directors provided an overview of Building Industry and Land Development Association, noting their core mission is advocacy – advocacy for the home building and land development industry and for its customers, the purchasers of new homes. Mr. Sheldon stressed the importance of collaboration between the building and development industry, municipalities, and conservation authorities with province's new rules to increase housing supply over the next decade, stressing that new home construction can co-exist with environmental protection.

b) 2022 Year in Review

The Conservation Authority's Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin, congratulated staff on the many accomplishments of 2022 and shared a video showcasing the 2022 highlights and accomplishments. These accomplishments are also captured in the [2022 Year in Review Infographics](#). To view the video, please click this link: [2022 Year in Review Video](#)

Moved by: K. Ferdinands

Seconded by: J. Gough

BOD-003-23 **Resolved That** the presentations by Jason Sheldon and Rob Baldwin be received for information. **Carried**

VII. Presentation to Outgoing Board Members

Chair Emmerson recounted numerous accomplishments throughout the 2019 to 2022 Board of Directors' term. Chair Emmerson and CAO Baldwin thanked and recognized the following outgoing Board members for their support and contribution: former Barrie Councillor Keenan Aylwin, Uxbridge Mayor Dave Barton, former Scugog Mayor Bobbie Drew, former Whitchurch-Stouffville Councillor Ken Ferdinands, Aurora Councillor Wendy Gaertner, and former Ramara Deputy Mayor Joe Gough.

VIII. 2022 Business is Concluded

Chair Emmerson concluded the business of 2022 and deemed the Chair vacant.

Moved by: B. Drew

Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-004-23 **Resolved That** the Board of Directors conclude the business of 2022; and **Further That** the Chair be declared vacant. **Carried**

IX. 2023 Business

After a short break, the 2023 Business portion of the meeting was called to order by the Conservation Authority's Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin.

Roll Call – 2023 Board Members

The 2023 Board Members introduced themselves and advised which municipality they represent.

X. Election of Officers

CAO Baldwin conducted the election of officers and outlined the general rules for election. He noted that positions are required for Chair and Vice Chair for 2023 and must be appointed members of the Board of Directors.

A. Appointment of Scrutineers

Moved by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

Seconded by: C. Pettingill

BOD-005-23 **Resolved that** in the event of a vote by ballot, Mr. Marvin Geist and Ms. Sarah Kurtz will act as scrutineers for the counting of ballots; and **Further that** all ballots will be destroyed after the election. **Carried**

B. Election of Officers – 2023

i. Chair of the Authority

Regional Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson was nominated for the position of Chair by Councillor Clare Riepma. Nominations were called for three times. No further nominations were put forward.

Moved by: P. Ferragine

Seconded by: V. Hackson

BOD-006-23 **Resolved that** the nominations for the position of Chair be closed. **Carried**

Regional Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson accepted the nomination for the position of Chair, and CAO Baldwin offered congratulations to Regional Chairman Wayne Emmerson as the 2023 Chair.

ii. Vice Chair of the Authority

Councillor Peter Ferragine was nominated for the position of Vice Chair by Councillor Shira Harrison-McIntyre. Nominations were called for three times and no further nominations were put forward.

Moved by: A. Eek

Seconded by: E. Yeo

BOD-007-23 **Resolved that** the nominations for the position of Vice Chair be closed. **Carried**

Councillor Ferragine accepted the nomination for the position of Vice Chair, and CAO Baldwin congratulated Councillor Ferragine as the 2023 Vice Chair.

Chair Emmerson chaired the remainder of the meeting.

C. Appointment of the Regulations Sub-committee for 2023

In the event of a Hearing by the Board of Directors, a Regulations Sub-Committee is formed in order to review the circumstances of the Hearing and report to the Board. This sub-committee normally consists of the Chair, the Vice Chair, and the Member representing the local municipality in which the application under Ontario Regulation 179/06 is received.

Moved by: E. Yeo

Seconded by: I. Lovatt

BOD-008-23 **Resolved that** the Chair and Vice Chair, along with the Member representing the local municipality in which the application under Ontario Regulation 179/06 is received, shall be members of the sub-committee to review applications and report to the Board of Directors. **Carried**

D. Appointment to Conservation Ontario for 2023

It is the practice for the Chair, or his/her designate, and the Chief Administrative Officer to represent the Conservation Authority on Conservation Ontario's Council. Chair Emmerson asked Vice Chair Ferragine, who agreed, to represent the Conservation Authority for 2023.

Moved by: R. Greenlaw

Seconded by: S. Harrison-McIntyre

BOD-009-23 **Resolved that** the 2023 Vice Chair be appointed as the Conservation Authority's voting delegate to Conservation Ontario; and

Further that the Chief Administrative Officer be the alternate delegate. **Carried**

E. Appointment to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors for 2023

Chair Emmerson explained that the Chair and Vice Chair typically serve on the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors. Chair Emmerson requested that Vice Chair Ferragine and Deputy Mayor/Regional Councillor Tom Vegh serve on the Foundation Board of Directors for 2023.

Moved by: V. Hackson

Seconded by: M. Quirk

BOD-010-23 **Resolved that** the Vice Chair, Councillor Peter Ferragine and Deputy Mayor/Regional Councillor Tom Vegh be appointed to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation for 2023. **Carried**

F. Appointment of Solicitors for 2023

The Conservation Authority wishes to continue utilizing the services of five (5) legal firms of: Stiver Vale for general administrative advice and land management; Hicks Morley for employment and labour related matters; HHL Law Firm (formerly Hill Hunter Losell) for floodplain regulation advice; Barriston LLP for general administrative and regulations advice; and Beard Winter for floodplain regulation advice and litigation.

Moved by: D. Le Roy

Seconded by: C. Pettingill

BOD-011-23 **Resolved that** Stiver Vale, Hicks Morley, HHL Law Firm, Barriston Law and Beard Winter be appointed as Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's legal firms for 2023. **Carried**

XI. Signing Officers for 2023

Each year the Conservation Authority appoints four signing officers: namely, the Chair and the Vice Chair, along with the Chief Administrative Officer and the General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services.

Moved by: T. Vegh

Seconded by: A. Eek

BOD-012-23 **Resolved that** an account in the name of Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority (hereinafter called the "Organization") be kept at the Bank of Nova Scotia (hereinafter called the "Bank"; and

Further that the Authority's Chair, Vice Chair, the Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer, and the General Manager, Corporate and Financial Services/CFO, or any two of them are hereby authorized to sign, make, draw, accept, endorse and deliver cheques, promissory notes, bills of exchange, orders for the payment of money and such agreements and instruments as may be necessary or useful in connection with the operation of the said account; and

Further that any one of the above-mentioned officers is hereby authorized for and in the name of the Organization to endorse and transfer to the Bank for deposit or discount with or collection by the Bank (but for the credit of the Organization only) cheques, promissory notes, bills of exchange, orders for the payment of money and other instruments, to arrange, settle, balance and certify all books and accounts with the Bank and to sign receipts for vouchers. **Carried**

XII. Borrowing Resolution

The borrowing resolution authorizes the Conservation Authority to borrow an amount up to \$500,000.

Moved by: B. Hamilton

Seconded by: S. Bell

BOD-013-23 **Resolved that** signing officers for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority be empowered to borrow up to \$500,000 on an Operating Loan Agreement, as required, for administration and/or capital expenditures. **Carried**

XIII. Meeting Schedule

The Board approved Staff Report No. 01-23-BOD, which outlined the Board of Director's 2023 meeting schedule.

Moved by: S. Bell

Seconded by: F. Drodge

BOD-014-23 **Resolved that** Staff Report No. 01-23-BOD regarding the 2023 Board of Directors' meeting schedule be received; and

Further that the proposed schedule be approved. **Carried**

XIV. Closing Remarks

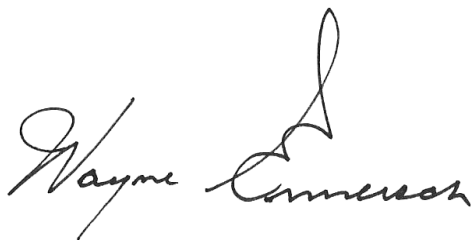
Vice Chair Ferragine and Chair Emmerson thanked the Board of Directors for their trust and confidence in them, and both noted they look forward to serving once again in their respective roles.

XV. Adjournment

Moved by: C. Riepma

Seconded by: R. Greenlaw

BOD-015-23 Resolved that the meeting be adjourned @ 11:25 a.m. **Carried**



Regional Chairman Wayne Emmerson
Chair



Rob Baldwin
Chief Administrative Officer