



Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 24, 2023 at 9:00 AM
Ball's Falls Centre for Conservation
3292 Sixth Avenue, Jordan, ON

NOTE: The archived recorded meeting is available on the NPCA website. The recorded video of the Full Authority meeting is not considered the official record of that meeting. The official record of the Full Authority meeting shall consist solely of the Minutes approved by the Full Authority Board. *NPCA Administrative By-law*

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Metcalfe called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m..

Members Present: J. Metcalfe (Vice Chair)
D. Cridland
B. Grant
D. Huson
P. O'Neill
M. Seaborn
M. Tadeson

Members Absent: B. Clark
R. Foster (Chair)

Staff Present: C. Sharma, CAO / Secretary – Treasurer
G. Bivol, Clerk
A. Christie, Director, Land Operations
J. Diamond, Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting
E. Gervais, Manager, Corporate Support Services
N. Green, Manager, Climate Change and Special Programs
L. Lee-Yates, Director, Watershed Management
S. Miller, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Engineering and Asset Management

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. FA-21-2023

Moved by Member Huson

Seconded by Member Cridland

THAT the Agenda **BE ADOPTED** with the addition of the following items included under 5.
Correspondence:

- Correspondence from Don McLean dated March 18, 2023 RE: Action Required for Ontario Wetland Evaluation System;
- Correspondence from Marie Covert dated March 20, 2023 RE: Letters to the Federal Government; and
- Correspondence from Ellen Tolmie dated March 20, 2023 RE: Protecting Ontario's Wetlands.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Minutes of the Annual General Meeting dated February 17, 2023

Resolution No. FA-22-2023

Moved by Member O'Neill

Seconded by Member Grant

THAT the minutes of the Annual General Meeting dated February 17, 2023 **BE ADOPTED.**

CARRIED

4. CHAIR'S UPDATE

None provided.

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Correspondence dated February 24, 2023 from Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, Niagara Region, RE: Appointment of Public Member to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board

5.2 Correspondence from Don McLean dated March 18, 2023 RE: Action Required for Ontario Wetland Evaluation System

5.3 Correspondence from Marie Covert dated March 20, 2023 RE: Letters to the Federal Government

5.4 Correspondence from Ellen Tolmie dated March 20, 2023 RE: Protecting Ontario's Wetlands

Resolution No. FA-23-2023

Moved by Member Grant

Seconded by Member Seaborn

THAT the following documents **BE RECEIVED:**

- Correspondence dated February 24, 2023 from Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk, Niagara Region, RE: Appointment of Public Member to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board;
- Correspondence from Don McLean dated March 18, 2023 RE: Action Required for Ontario Wetland Evaluation System;
- Correspondence from Marie Covert dated March 20, 2023 RE: Letters to the Federal Government; and
- Correspondence from Ellen Tolmie dated March 20, 2023 RE: Protecting Ontario's Wetlands.

CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1. Joshua Diamond Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting RE: NPCA Watershed Report Card

Resolution No. FA-24-2023

Moved by Member Grant

Seconded by Member Huson

THAT the PowerPoint presentation by Joshua Diamond Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting RE: NPCA Watershed Report Card **BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

6.2. Chandra Sharma, C.A.O. RE: NPCA Progress on Strategic Plan KPI's and 2023 Service Area Priorities

Resolution No. FA-25-2023

Moved by Member Tadeson

Seconded by Member Seaborn

THAT the PowerPoint presentation by Chandra Sharma, C.A.O. RE: NPCA Progress on Strategic Plan KPI's and 2023 Service Area Priorities **BE RECEIVED.**

CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS

None

8. CONSENT ITEMS

None

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1. Report No. FA-06-23 RE: NPCA Watershed Report Card

Resolution No. FA-26-2023

Moved by Member Grant
Seconded by Member Huson

1. **THAT** Report No. FA-06-23 RE: 2023 NPCA Watershed Report Card **BE RECEIVED**.
2. **THAT** a copy of the 2023 NPCA Watershed Report Card as distributed to member municipalities **BE CIRCULATED** additionally to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF), Ministry of the Environment and Parks (MECP) and the Federal Ministry of Environment and Climate Change Canada (ECCC).
3. **AND FURTHER THAT** the 2023 NPCA Watershed Report Card **BE SHARED** with the watershed community and stakeholders through the Communication Strategy.

CARRIED

9.2. Report No. FA-07-23 RE: Wainfleet Bog Committee Terms of Reference

Resolution No. FA-27-2023

Moved by Member Grant
Seconded by Member Huson

1. **THAT** Report No. FA-07-23 RE: Updated Wainfleet Bog Committee Terms of Reference **BE APPROVED**.
2. **THAT** NPCA 2022 Board appointee Jack Hellinga **BE DESIGNATED** to serve as a citizen member on the Wainfleet Bog Committee for the 2022-2026 term of the Committee.
3. **THAT** the updated Wainfleet Bog Committee Terms of Reference **BE CIRCULATED** to Committee members for information and to support future committee member recruitment as needed.
4. **AND FURTHER THAT** the NPCA Administrative By-Law **BE UPDATED**, as appropriate.

CARRIED

9.3. Report No. FA-09-23 RE: Official Re-Designation of Beach Closings Beneficial Use Impairment

Resolution No. FA-28-2023

Moved by Member Tadeson
Seconded by Member O'Neill

1. **THAT** Report No. FA-09-23 RE: Official Status Re-designation of Niagara River 'Beach Closings' Beneficial Use Impairment (BUI) **BE RECEIVED**.
2. **THAT** a letter **BE WRITTEN** to the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake thanking them for their collaborative efforts with the NPCA to improve the Niagara River's water quality and ecosystem health as part of the Niagara River Remedial Action Plan program.
3. **AND THAT** Report No. FA-09-23 **BE CIRCULATED** to the watershed municipalities and the Niagara Parks Commission.

CARRIED

9.4. Report No. FA-10-23 RE: Member Appointment to NPCF, Governance and Finance Committees

Resolution No. FA-29-2023

Moved by Member Grant

Seconded by Member Huson

1. **THAT** Report No. FA-10-23 RE: Member Appointment to the NPCF, Governance and Finance Committees **BE RECEIVED**.
2. **THAT** Donna Cridland **BE APPOINTED** to the Governance and Finance Committees of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority for 2023.
3. **THAT** Donna Cridland **BE APPOINTED** to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Foundation Board of Directors for 2023.

CARRIED

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

None

11. MOTIONS

None

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

None

13. NEW BUSINESS

Member Cridland spoke on the Lakewide Action Plan and Member Huson commented on the Trees For All initiative.

14. CLOSED SESSION

14.1. A Proposed or Pending Acquisition or Disposition of Land by the NPCA

Resolution No. FA-30-2023

Moved by Member Cridland

Seconded by Member Grant

THAT in accordance with Sections 10.1 of the NPCA Administrative By-law, the Board hereby **PROCEEDS** into closed session at 9:55 a.m. for the purpose of discussion on matters related to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-31-2023

Moved by Member Grant

Seconded by Member Huson

THAT the meeting **RECONVENE** in open session at 10:30 am..

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-32-2023

Moved by Member Grant

Seconded by Member Seaborn

THAT staff **BE INSTRUCTED** to proceed as directed in Closed Session.

CARRIED

15. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution No. FA-33-2023

Moved by Member Huson

Seconded by Member Cridland

THAT the proceedings **BE ADJOURNED** at 10:35 am..

CARRIED

Robert Foster, Chair
Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

Chandra Sharma, MCIP, RPP
Chief Administrative Officer / Secretary-
Treasurer,
Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority