

Hybrid Governance Committee Minutes

Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

September 15, 2023, 11 a.m.

192 Sixth Avenue, Jordan, ON

MEMBERS PRESENT: R. Foster
S. Beattie
B. Clark
D. Cridland
M. Seaborn, Governance Committee Chair
P. O'Neill

MEMBERS ABSENT: J. Metcalfe

STAFF PRESENT: C. Sharma, Chief Administrative Officer / Secretary - Treasurer
A. Christie, Director Conservation Areas
D. Deluce, Senior Manager, Planning and Development
M. Ferrusi, Manager, People and Performance
E. Gervais, Manager, Corporate Support Services

ALSO PRESENT: Elizabeth Hill – Managing Partner, Pesce & Associates

Chair Seaborn called the meeting to order at 11:04 a.m.

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. GC-07-2023
Moved by Stew Beattie
Seconded by Donna Cridland

THAT the Governance Committee agenda dated Thursday, September 15, 2023
BE APPROVED as presented.

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None declared.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Governance Committee Meeting dated June 16, 2023
Resolution No. GC-08-2023

Moved by Robert Foster
Seconded by Patrick O'Neill

THAT the minutes of the Governance Committee meeting dated June 16, 2023 **BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

5. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

6. DELEGATIONS

None.

7. CONSENT

7.1 Report No. GC-03-23 RE: Insurance Update- 2023

Resolution No. GC-09-2023

Moved by Donna Cridland
Seconded by Robert Foster

THAT Report No. GC-03-23 RE: Insurance Update- 2023 **BE APPROVED.**

CARRIED

8. DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

9. NEW BUSINESS

9.1 Chair Rotation and Exemption Request

Chair Foster briefed the Committee regarding his verbal discussion with the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) at the AMO Conference. Chair would like the Board to consider extension of his term for continuity on important NPCA initiatives currently underway. Discussion followed.

Resolution No. GC-10-2023

Moved by Donna Cridland
Seconded by John Metcalfe



THAT the CAO provide legislative background and options related to Chair rotation and exemption provisions after discussion with Conservation Ontario at the October 20, 2023 Full Authority Board Meeting.

CARRIED

9.2 Funding Land Acquisition

Chair Foster updated the committee regarding his discussion with the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNR) regarding land securement funding for conservation authorities. Discussion followed.

Resolution No. GC-10-2023

Moved by Donna Cridland

Seconded by John Metcalfe

THAT NPCA send correspondence to Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry requesting funding that CA's are able to access for land securement.

CARRIED

10. CLOSED SESSION

(Confidential Presentation by Pesce & Associates RE: Comprehensive Compensation Review & Assessment Update –will be circulated under separate cover.)

Resolution No. GC-11-2023

Moved by Patrick O'Neill

Seconded by Stew Beattie

THAT The Governance Committee **HEREBY PROCEEDS** into closed session at 11:46 a.m. for the purpose of discussion on matters related to Human Resources.

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

Governance Committee Meeting was adjourned at 12:27 p.m.