

Board of Directors Meeting
September 15, 2023 at 9:00 AM
Ball's Falls Centre for Conservation
3292 Sixth Avenue, Jordan, ON
Minutes

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

Chair Foster called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

R. Foster (Chair)
S. Beattie
D. Cridland
B. Grant
P. O'Neill
D. Huson
J. Metcalfe
M. Seaborn
M. Tadeson
B. Clark

REGRETS:

OTHERS:

Lindsay Taylor, Sustainability Director, St. Catharines Downtown

STAFF PRESENT:

C. Sharma, CAO / Secretary – Treasurer
A. Christie, Director, Conservation Areas
D. Deluce, Senior Manager Environmental Planning & Policy
J. Diamond, Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting
T. Gaade, Program Coordinator, Watershed Strategies and Climate Research
L. Gagnon, Director, Corporate Services
N. Green, Manager, Climate Change and Special Programs
L. Lee-Yates, Director, Planning and Development
S. Miller, Senior Manager, Infrastructure Engineering & Asset Management
G. Shaule, Administrative Assistant
J. Sinibaldi, Manager, Strategic Business Planning and Public Relations
G. Verkade, Senior Manager Integrated Watershed Strategies

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Resolution No. FA-83-2023

Moved by Brad Clark

Seconded by Stew Beattie

THAT the agenda for the Full Authority Meeting dated September 15, 2023 **BE ADOPTED.**

CARRIED

2. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

3.1. Minutes of the Full Authority Meeting dated, July 21, 2023

Resolution No. FA-84-2023

Moved by Brian Grant

Seconded by Donna Cridland

THAT the Minutes of the Full Authority Meeting dated July 21,2023 **BE ADOPTED:**

CARRIED

4. CHAIR'S UPDATE

- 2 Billion Trees project- NPCA applications being advocated with local MP's and various MPP's.
- Attended Butterfly Pollinator opening in Thorold with Kerry Royer and Chandra Sharma in Memory of Mickey Di Fruscio
- Issues surrounding Great lakes and shoreline erosion was discussed with MP Badawey

5. CORRESPONDENCE

5.1. Correspondence dated August 18th, 2023, from Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation RE: Development of Lots 6-8, Con 6, City of Hamilton; and Lots 21-22, Con1, Town of Grimsby

Resolution No. FA-85-2023

Moved by Michelle Seaborne

Seconded by Diana Huson

THAT Correspondence from Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation RE: Development of Lots 6-8, Con 6, City of Hamilton; and Lots 21-22, Con1, Town of Grimsby **BE RECEIVED;**

AND FURTHER THAT NPCA staff and Chair Foster **TO CONSULT** with the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation

CARRIED

5.2. Correspondence dated Aug. 14, 2023 from the Town of Grimsby RE: Beamer Conservation Area

5.3. Correspondence dated July 21, 2023 from The Niagara Region RE: Proposed Provincial Planning Statement – Natural Heritage Policies

Resolution No. FA-86-2023

Moved by Patrick Oneil

Seconded by Mark Tadeson

THAT the following correspondence **BE RECEIVED**:

- Correspondence dated Aug. 14, 2023 from the Town of Grimsby RE: Beamer Conservation Area
- Correspondence dated July 21, 2023 from The Niagara Region RE: Proposed Provincial Planning Statement – Natural Heritage Policies

CARRIED

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1. Josh Diamond, Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting Re: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022. (This presentation is in conjunction with agenda Discussion item 9.2 Report No. FA-37-23 RE: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022)

Resolution No. FA-87-2023

Moved by John Metcalfe

Seconded by Brad Clark

THAT Presentation from Josh Diamond, Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting Re: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022 **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

7. DELEGATIONS

7.1. Lindsay Taylor, Sustainability Director, St. Catharines Downtown Association RE: Natural Asset Management (For Receipt- This presentation is in conjunction with agenda Discussion item 8.1 Report No. FA- 38-23 RE: Natural Asset Inventory and Management Initiative)

Resolution No. FA-88-2023

Moved by Stew Beattie

Seconded by Brian Grant

THAT Presentation from Lindsay Taylor, Sustainability Director, St. Catharines Downtown Association re: Natural Asset Management **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

8. CONSENT ITEMS

8.1 Report No. FA- 38-23 RE: Natural Assets Inventory and Management Initiative. – This item was brought forward to be addressed in conjunction with item 7.1. Presentation by Lindsay Taylor, Sustainability Director, St. Catharines Downtown Association RE: Natural Asset Management

Resolution No. FA-89-2023

Moved by Stew Beattie

Seconded by Brian Grant

THAT Report No. FA-38-23 RE: Natural Assets Inventory and Management Initiative **BE RECEIVED**

CARRIED

9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

9.1 Report No. FA 36-23 RE: Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) – Appointment of Regulations Officers

Resolution No. FA-90-2023

Moved by Donna Cridland

Seconded by Michelle Seaborn

THAT Report No. FA 36-23 RE: Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) – Appointment of Regulations Officers **BE RECEIVED**

AND THAT Marlo Ostapiak, **BE APPOINTED**, for the term of employment with the NPCA, as an Officer of the NPCA and Provincial Offences Officer.

CARRIED

9.2 Report No. FA-37-23 RE: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022 (For Approval-This report is in conjunction with agenda Presentation 6.1 Josh Diamond, Manager, Watershed Monitoring and Reporting RE: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022)

Resolution No. FA-91-2023

Moved by Diana Huson

Seconded by Patrick O'Neil

THAT Report No. FA 37-23 RE: Water Quality Monitoring Program Summary Report for the Year 2022 **BE RECEIVED**

THAT the actions highlighted in the report to inform municipalities, stakeholders, and the public about the report findings and best practices to improve local water quality **BE IMPLEMENTED**.

AND FURTHER THAT a copy of this report **BE CIRCULATED** to municipalities, 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).

CARRIED

9.3 Report No. FA-35-23 RE: 2023 NPCA Quarterly Progress Report #5 Required for Conservation Authorities Act Amendments: Transition Plan and Agreements (O. Reg. 687/21) and Request for Extension of Final Transition Date

Resolution No. FA-92-2023

Moved by Mark Tadeson

Seconded by John Metcalfe

THAT Report No. FA -35-23 RE: 2023 NPCA Quarterly Progress Report #5 Required for Conservation Authorities Act Amendments: Transition Plan and Agreements (O. Reg. 687/21) and Request for Extension of Final Transition Date **BE RECEIVED**

AND FURTHER THAT a request to the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry **BE SUBMITTED** to extend the transition deadline to April 30, 2024 for concluding the Category 3 cost apportioning agreements between the NPCA and its participating municipalities, and until the municipal budget process is concluded and Conservation Authority Levy has been approved by the participating municipalities.

CARRIED

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS

11. MOTIONS

12. NOTICES OF MOTION

13. NEW BUSINESS

13.1 Verbal update RE: Nagara Peninsula Conservation Foundation

D. Huson provided the following information:

- New staff: Sharon Pfeifer, Development and Investor Relations Officer was introduced
- NPCF and NPCA supported Chair Bradley's Golf Tournament
- Social media to strengthen NPCF, promotion of NPCF through Many Seeds
- Fundraising Campaign Committee has initiated their work
- Donation from Florence Foundation
- Enbridge Grant in the process

- \$10,000 Regional Chair donation is pending

14. CLOSED SESSION

14.1 A proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the NPCA Report No. FA-39-23 RE: Land Securement Update and Proposed Additions to the 2023 Priorities

14.2 Matter of a proposed or pending negotiation of leased property by the NPCA Report No. FA- 40-23 RE: Lease Negotiation.

Resolution No. FA-93-2023

Moved by Brad Clark

Seconded by Stew Beattie

THAT in accordance with Sections 10.1 of the NPCA Administrative By-law, the Board hereby **PROCEEDS** into closed session at 9:58 a.m. for the purpose of discussion on matters related to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land and for proposed or pending negotiation of leased property by the NPCA

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-94-2023

Moved by John Metcalfe

Seconded by Donna Cridland

THAT the meeting **RECONVENE** in open session at 10:54 a.m.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-95-2023

Moved by Brad Clark

Seconded by Brian Grant

THAT Report No. FA-39-23 RE: Land Securement Update and Proposed Additions to the 2023 Priorities **BE RECEIVED**.

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

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-96-2023

Moved by Diana Huson

Seconded by John Metcalfe

THAT Report No. FA-40-23 RE: Lease Negotiation **BE RECEIVED**.

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

15. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Foster called the Full Authority Board Meeting on September 15, 2023 to adjourn at 10:56 a.m.