



**LONG POINT REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS – MINUTES of August 2, 2017  
Approved September 6, 2017**

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Members in attendance: Leroy Bartlett, Dave Beres, Doug Brunton, Robert Chambers, Michael Columbus, Roger Geysens, Craig Grice, Noel Haydt, David Hayes, John Scholten and Tom Southwick

Staff in attendance: C. Evanitski, J. Maxwell, L. Minshall, P. Walther-Mabee, J. Stefek and D. McLachlan

Regrets: none

The LPRCA Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm Wednesday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 in the Tillsonburg Administration Office Boardroom.

**ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

**MOTION A-179/17**                      moved: M. Columbus                      seconded: J. Scholten

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors add a Property Matter and “Teeterville Dam Update” under Closed Session as item 11(c) and New Business as item 10 (E) respectively to the August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 agenda.*

**CARRIED**

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

None

R. Geysens joined the meeting.

**DEPUTATIONS**

None

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

No questions or comments

**MOTION A-180/17**                      moved: R. Geysens                      seconded: J. Scholten

*THAT the minutes of the LPRCA Board of Directors Regular Meeting held July 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

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## **BUSINESS ARISING**

### **a) Bill 139 – Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Act, 2017**

The GM noted that Bill 139 is an omnibus Bill that includes proposed changes to the Conservation Authorities Act. The Bill has passed first reading and the second and third readings are expected this fall. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION A-181/17**                      moved: D. Brunton                      seconded: D. Hayes

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Bill 139: Building Better Communities and Conserving Watersheds Report as information.*

**CARRIED**

### **b) Waterford North Gatehouse**

Staff reported that the current gatehouse at Waterford is located within the park away from the point of entry and creates the potential for lost revenue. Staff provided three options to correct the issue noting that the preferred option would be to locate the gate at the south end of the entry road and funneling vehicles through by narrowing the road entrance. Staff will research and review automated gates.

**MOTION A-182/17**                      moved: D. Brunton                      seconded: D. Hayes

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors accepts the Gatehouse report as information; AND THAT staff continues to explore options to be presented during the 2018 budget process.*

**CARRIED**

## **REVIEW OF COMMITTEE MINUTES**

No questions or comments.

**MOTION A-183/17**                      moved: J. Scholten                      seconded: R. Geysens

*THAT the minutes from the Backus Museum Committee meeting of May 25<sup>th</sup>, 2017 be received as information.*

**CARRIED**

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

Staff fielded questions from the Board.

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**MOTION A-184/17**

moved: D. Hayes

seconded: D. Brunton

*THAT the correspondence outlined in the Board of Director's Agenda of August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 be received as information.*

**CARRIED**

## **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

### **a) Staff Approved applications**

Staff approved 34 applications since the last meeting: LPRCA-14/17, LPRCA-126/17, LPRCA-130/17, LPRCA-132/17, LPRCA-133/17, LPRCA-137/17, LPRCA-141/17, LPRCA-134/17, LPRCA-135/17, LPRCA-142/17, LPRCA-145/17, LPRCA-146/17, LPRCA-148/17, LPRCA-149/17, LPRCA-151/17, LPRCA-152/17, LPRCA-153/17, LPRCA-154/17, LPRCA-155/17, LPRCA-156/17, LPRCA-157/17, LPRCA-158/17, LPRCA-159/17, LPRCA-160/17, LPRCA-161/17, LPRCA-162/17, LPRCA-163/17, LPRCA-164/17, LPRCA-167/17, LPRCA-168/17, LPRCA-169/17, LPRCA-171/17, LPRCA-177/17 and LPRCA-181/17.

No questions or comments.

**MOTION A-185/17**

moved: R. Geysens

seconded: J. Scholten

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Staff Approved Section 28 Regulation Applications report dated July, 2017 as information.*

**CARRIED**

### **b) New applications**

The Planning Department recommended approval for seven applications. Brian Duxbury, attorney for neighbouring landowners, spoke against recommending approval for applications LPRCA-85/17 and LPRCA-150/17 on Hastings Drive, Long Point. Mr. Duxbury listed a number of reasons for his request including:

- recent changes to the law derived from a recent court challenge;
- conservation authority decisions must be consistent with the Provincial Policy Statement;
- the structures addressed in the applications are over the size limit as per the Building Code;
- zoning on Hastings Drive is currently under appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board;
- the Norfolk County Official Plan states "No new development permitted on Hastings Drive;"
- the species at risk and the provincially significant wetland in the area; and
- public safety and perception.

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Mr. Duxbury fielded questions from the Board.

No further questions were directed to staff.

**MOTION A-186/17** moved: M. Columbus seconded: D. Hayes

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the deputation by Brian Duxbury as information.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-187/17** moved: D. Hayes seconded: D. Beres

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the following Development Applications contained within the background section of the report:

- A. For Work under Section 28 Regulations, Development, Interference with Wetlands & Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulations (R.R.O. 1990 Reg. 178/06),

LPRCA-85/17  
LPRCA-147/17  
LPRCA-182/17

LPRCA-90/17  
LPRCA-150/17

LPRCA-107/17  
LPRCA-179/17

- B. That the designated officers of LPRCA be authorized to complete the approval process for this Development Application, as far as it relates to LPRCA's mandate and related Regulations.

**CARRIED**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **a) GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

No questions or comments.

**MOTION A-188/17** moved: R. Geysens seconded: J. Scholten

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the General Manager's Report for July 2017 as information.*

**CARRIED**

### **b) LPRCA MARKETING UPDATE**

Jarah Stefek introduced herself and provided information on her background and qualifications. Ms. Stefek presented the requirements for a website redesign and the

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outcome of a recent RFQ. Staff withdrew the recommendation for the website and requested that it be deferred until 2018 budget discussion. The Low Impact Development signage will be ready for installation the week of August 21<sup>st</sup>. Social media statistics were provided and upcoming projects detailed. Discussion ensued.

**MOTION A-189/17** moved: D. Beres seconded: D. Brunton

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Marketing Update as information.*

**CARRIED**

### **c) HALDIMAND HYDRO UPDATE**

Staff provided an update on the status of the 2017 Haldimand Hydro Capital project. The work completed was inspected and passed, but other issues have since arisen. To maintain compliance some trailers had to be moved and trees cut and some of the poles within the park will have to be replaced. Staff is meeting with the Hydro Safety Authority to help in producing a plan of action. A budget reallocation was requested.

**MOTION A-190/17** moved: J. Scholten seconded: R. Geysens

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors reallocates up to \$13,200 from the 2017 Capital Budget Waterford North CA Hydro Upgrade to the Haldimand CA for the necessary repairs to the hydro, water and septic systems.*

**CARRIED**

### **d) 2<sup>nd</sup> QUARTER FINANCIALS**

Staff reported a negative variance in seasonal revenues in comparison to the 2017 budget. The number of seasonal campers is down 41 sites from last year but the revenue is higher. Some expenses are currently tracking under at the parks.

Upon questions from the Board, staff indicated that the trail revitalization project at Backus is underway and will include accessibility access to some areas, bridge replacement to Backus Woods trails, stair replacement, widening of the Cottonwood trail and some interpretive signage placement. The project is expected to be completed by year-end. Staff plans to apply for funding to complete a phase 2. Further details were provided for the various capital projects including the upcoming Request for Proposals for the Sediment Management Plan at Teeterville Dam.

**MOTION A-191/17** moved: T. Southwick seconded: D. Beres

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Budget Performance Report as at June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017 as information.*

**CARRIED**

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**e) TEETERVILLE DAM**

The Legion has been notified that, as per the Board's decision, the stoplogs will remain as is - no logs will be added or removed. The GM offered to again speak with the Legion membership about the issues.

An abutting landowner had requested information as to how to irrigate at Teeterville. Information was forwarded by the GM.

**MOTION A-192/17** moved: T. Southwick seconded: D. Beres

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now enter into a closed session to discuss:*

- personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Conservation Authority employees*
- a proposed or pending acquisition or disposition of land by the Conservation Authority*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-193/17** moved: R. Geysens seconded: J. Scholten

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now adjourn from the closed session.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-194/17** moved: R. Geysens seconded: D. Beres

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the contract extension for Jarah Stefek as LPRCA's Marketing Coordinator to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2018, as per the GM's verbal closed session report.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-195/17** moved: D. Hayes seconded: J. Scholten

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the GM's closed session report regarding a property matter as information;  
AND THAT the matter be referred to the Strategic Plan Review Committee.*

**CARRIED**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:30pm.



Noel Haydt  
Chair



Dana McLachlan  
Administrative Assistant

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