

## **LONG POINT REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**

### **BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES - August 7, 2013**

**(as approved at the Board of Directors Meeting held October 2, 2013)**

Members in attendance: L. Bartlett, D. Beres, R. Chambers, B. Chanyi, M. Columbus, R. Geysens, E. Ketchabaw, R. Sackrider and D. Travale.

Staff in attendance: C. Evanitski, J. Robertson, J. Maxwell, H. Surette, D. Holmes, B. Hodi, B. Bravener, K. Brown and D. McLachlan

Special Guests: T. Haskett, LBMMC Chair; Leighton and Betty Brown Scholarship Recipients and their families

Hearing attendees – T. Cline, LL.B QC; R. G. Inglis, LL.B, Mr. & Mrs. P. Smith

Regrets: C. Grice

The LPRCA Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm Wednesday, August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 in the Backus Heritage Education Centre Boardroom.

#### **ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS**

None

#### **DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

None

#### **PRESENTATION: LEIGHTON AND BETTY BROWN SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS**

Lee Brown Marsh Management Committee (LBMMC) Chair, T. Haskett gave a brief history of the Scholarship noting that it was established in 2006 through donations from hunting patrons to honour the former Marsh Manager and his wife. The first scholarships were awarded in 2007 and since that time 15 young watershed residents have each received \$1,000 to support their post secondary education in a conservation or environmental related course of study. Chair Haskett introduced this year's scholarship recipients, Emily Priester, Hannah Vanderpost, and Michael Kungl who expressed their gratitude to the Committee and Board in helping with their education. Emily will be attending the University of Guelph in the Plant Sciences program and hopes to become a botanist. Hannah will also be attending the University of Guelph majoring in Environmental Science. Mike will be attending Sir Sanford Fleming College in the Fish and Wildlife Technician Program.

#### **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

**MOTION A-123/13** moved: D, Travale                      seconded: D. Beres

*THAT the minutes of the LPRCA Board of Directors regular meeting held June 5<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be adopted as circulated.*

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**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-124/13** moved: D. Beres                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*THAT the minutes of the LPRCA Board of Directors Special Conference Call held June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2013 be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-125/13** moved: L Bartlett                      seconded: R. Sackrider

*THAT the LPRCA Mid-month Development Application approval minutes of June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be adopted as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

There were no questions or comments regarding the above minutes.

## **BUSINESS ARISING**

### **a) Backus Mill Repairs Update**

At the previous meeting staff reported that emergency repairs were needed to open the Mill for the 2013 season. As well, long-term repairs were identified. Staff has since completed the emergency repairs and is awaiting a report detailing the long-term repairs required and associated costs.

**MOTION A-126/13** moved: L Bartlett                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Field Superintendent's verbal report, Backus Mill Repairs Update, as information.*

**CARRIED**

## **REVIEW OF COMMITTEE MINUTES**

None

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

**MOTION A-127/13** moved: B. Chanyi                      seconded: D. Beres

*That correspondence outlined in the Board of Directors' Agenda of August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013 be received as information.*

**CARRIED**

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## **DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS**

### a) **Hearing re: Paul and Marlene Smith**

The Chair gave his opening remarks and reviewed the guidelines and process to be followed for this hearing.

H. Surette, Manager of Watershed Services reviewed the Ontario Regulation (O. Reg) 178/06 under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act. She then reviewed the subject property in relation to the regulation and noted the reasons for refusal.

There were no questions from the applicant. H. Surette responded to questions from the Board.

The applicant's legal council, T. Cline, presented the applicant's position in the matter.

There were no questions from LPRCA staff or their counsel. Mr. Cline responded to questions from the Board.

**MOTION A-128/13** moved by: B. Chanyi                      seconded: D. Beres

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now enter into an "In Camera" session to discuss:*

□ *a matter in respect of which a Conservation Authority may hold a closed meeting under another Act.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-129/13** moved by: D. Beres                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now adjourn from the "In Camera" session.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-130/13** moved by: D. Travale                      seconded: D. Beres

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors deny the permit application submitted by Mr. Paul Smith and Mrs. Marlene Smith dated January 14<sup>th</sup>, 2013 – to develop seasonal cottages on four proposed lots within Block A, Registered Plan 429, Long Point (former South Walsingham), Norfolk County, Ontario.*

**CARRIED**

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**b) Staff Approved applications – June and July, 2013**

Staff approved thirty-nine applications over the past two months: BA-7/13, HC-40/13, NC-44/13, NC-45/13-1, NC-48/13, HC-41/13, NC-50/13, NC-51/13-1, NC-52/13-1, NC-53/13, HC-42/13, NC-54/13, NC-55/13, NC-56/13-1, NC-57/13, HC-43/13, HC-44/13, NC-58/13, NC-59/13-1, NC-62/13-1, NC-63/13, NH-2/13-1, NC-64/13-1, NC-65/13-1, NC-67/13-1, NC-68/13-1, NC-69/13-1, NC-70/13, NC-72/13, TIL-3/13, NC-73/13, NC-71/13-1, BU-3/13, HC-46/13, NC-75/13, NC-76/13, NC-77/13, HC-47/13, NC-78/13. H. Surette clarified the permitted items in response to questions from the Board.

**MOTION A-131/13** moved: D. Travale                      seconded: D. Beres

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Staff Approved Section 28 Regulation Applications report dated July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 as information.*

**CARRIED**

**c) New Applications**

The Planning Department sought approval for a total of three applications. H. Surette responded to questions.

**MOTION A-132/13** moved: D. Beres                      seconded: D. Travale

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the following Development Applications contained within the background section of this 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),*

*NC-79/13*

*NC-80/13*

*NC-81/13-1*

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

**CARRIED**

**NEW BUSINESS**

**a) CALENDAR REVIEW**

The calendar covers the next two months as there is no Board Meeting in September.

A reminder was given regarding the Watershed Tour scheduled to depart Port Dover at

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11am on Friday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, the ALUS Tour is scheduled for Wednesday, August 28<sup>th</sup> and the Memorial Forest Dedication Service will occur Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>.

**MOTION A-133/13** moved: R. Sackrider                      seconded: D. Travale

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the August/September Calendar Review Report as information.*

**CARRIED**

**b) GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT**

The GM stated that his time over the past two months has focused on planning issues. As part of the ongoing trend to work with various municipal partners and neighbouring CAs for expertise and to create efficiencies, LPRCA staff toured Long Point with staff from GRCA to review development issues.

The Tarcza Barn demolition has been completed and R. Sackrider reported that the material has been recycled into a new two-storey barn.

**MOTION A-134/13** moved: B. Chanyi                      seconded: L. Bartlett

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the General Manager's Report for June and July 2013 as information.*

**CARRIED**

**c) 2013 LPRCA WATERSHED TOUR**

The annual LPRCA Watershed will be held on August 23, via boat travelling on Lake Erie from Port Dover to Turkey Point. While on board, guests will be updated on shoreline issues by staff and local experts. Members were advised to RSVP quickly as only 48 seats are available.

**MOTION A-135/13** moved: D. Beres                      seconded: L. Bartlett

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the 2013 Watershed Tour Report as information.*

**CARRIED**

**d) A.D. LATORNELL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

The Annual A.D. Latornell conference is growing in size. Originally the conference was attended by approximately 200 people; however, in recent years that number has grown to over 1,000. LPRCA has budgeted for 3 staff and 2 board members to attend the 2013 conference.

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**MOTION A-136/13** moved by: L. Bartlett                      seconded: R. Sackrider

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the attendance of the General Manager, Manager of Watershed Services, Watershed Services staff and 2 Board members for the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual A.D. Latornell Conference.*

**CARRIED**

**e) 2ND QUARTER FINANCIALS/CAPITAL PROGRAM UPDATE**

The Manager of Corporate Services reported that LPRCA is currently on target to the budget. She reviewed all of the capital projects noting, the progress of each project and which projects had not yet been started and the reason.

**MOTION A-137/13** moved: R. Sackrider                      seconded: L. Bartlett

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Budget Performance Report as of June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2013 for information.*

**CARRIED**

**f) FSC CERTIFICATION UPDATE**

The Field Superintendent outlined the process of receiving FSC certification to date. He received an email today from another Conservation Authority interested in joining the group and he will follow up with them tomorrow. He will arrange for a presentation to be made to the Board of Directors at the October meeting, and the presentation will include cost estimations based on who is included and the total size of property. SCOR was acknowledged for their assistance in procuring funding.

**MOTION A-138/13** moved: B. Chanyi                      seconded: D. Beres

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the FSC report dated July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2013 for information.*

**CARRIED**

**g) LPRCA STRATEGIC PLAN UPDATE**

The draft Strategic Plan has now been reviewed by the Strategic Plan Review Committee and Senior Staff. After a four year process, the Plan is ready for Member comment. Members were asked to provide comments to the Committee members within the next three weeks. The final draft will be brought to the October meeting for approval

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**MOTION A-139/13** moved: D. Beres                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the Draft Strategic Plan Report Update for information.*

**CARRIED**

**h) ECOLOGICAL INVENTORIES 2013/2014**

This year Mr. B. Draper has been asked to focus more on protected species rather than provincially rare species. The properties include the Landen Tract, half of the Fisher's Glen Tract and Backus.

**MOTION A-140/13** moved by: L. Bartlett                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors retains Bill Draper of EcoPlans Limited to conduct ecological inventories of three identified Conservation Authority properties for a total submitted bid of \$11,470, which includes all applicable taxes and disbursements, as part of the 2013/2014 Forest Management Operating Plan..*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-141/13** moved by: D. Beres                      seconded: B. Chanyi

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now enter into an "In Camera" 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;*
- litigation or potential litigation, including matters affecting the Conservation Authority.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-142/13** moved by: R. Sackrider                      seconded: D. Travale

*That the LPRCA Board of Directors does now adjourn from the "In Camera" session.*

**CARRIED**

**MOTION A-143/13** moved by: B. Chanyi                      seconded: D. Beres

*THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the verbal report regarding Hay Creek as information.*

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**CARRIED**

The Chairman adjourned the meeting at 10:10pm.

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Roger Geysens  
Chairman

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Dana McLachlan  
Administrative Assistant

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