



LAKEHEAD REGION

CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

May LRCA Board Meeting Minutes
Lakehead Region Conservation Authority
May 25, 2022 at 4:30
130 Conservation Road/Microsoft Teams

Members Present:

Donna Blunt, Erwin Butikofer, Allan Vis

Members Present (Remote):

Grant Arnold, Rudy Buitenhuis, Andrew Foulds, Andrea Goold, Umed Panu

Also Present:

Tammy Cook, Chief Administrative Officer

Gail Willis, Watershed Manager

Ryne Gilliam, Lands Manager

Ryan Mackett, Communications Manager

Melanie O'Riley, Administrative Clerk/Receptionist, recorder of Minutes

Members Absent:

Joel Brown, Trevor Giertuga, Jim Vezina

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the Meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

THAT: the Agenda be adopted as published.

Motion: #67/22

Motion moved by Umed Panu and motion seconded by Erwin Butikofer. **CARRIED.**

3. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

4. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

THAT: the Minutes of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Fourth Regular Meeting held on April 27, 2022 be adopted as published.

Motion: #68/22

Motion moved by Rudy Buitenhuis and motion seconded by Andrea Goold. **CARRIED.**

5. IN-CAMERA AGENDA

No In-Camera meeting was held.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

None.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None.

8. STAFF REPORTS

None.

9. CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER'S REPORTS

9.1. Monthly Treasurer's Report

Members were provided with the monthly Financial Report for April's Administration and Capital.

9.2. *Conservation Authorities Act* Phase II Regulations

Members reviewed and discussed Staff Report CORP-07-2022: *Conservation Authorities Act* Phase 2 Regulations. It was noted that the new regulations would be incorporated into future budget processes, fee schedules and website updates.

It was noted that the CAO was scheduled to meet with MECP on May 26, 2022 to review LRCA's Inventory of Programs and Services and to obtain clarification on some aspects of the regulations.

THAT: Staff Report CORP-07-2022: Conservation Authorities Act Phase 2 Regulations be received.

Motion: #69/22

Motion moved by Allan Vis and motion seconded by Andrew Foulds. **CARRIED.**

9.2.1. Insurance Premium Increases

Members reviewed and discussed Staff Report FIN-09-2022 related to to Insurance Premium increases.

THAT: Staff Report FIN-09-2022: Insurance Premium Increases be received.

Motion: #70/22

Motion moved by Erwin Butikofer and motion seconded by Umed Panu. **CARRIED.**

10. PASSING OF ACCOUNTS

THAT: having examined the accounts for the period April 1, 2022 to April 30, 2022 cheque #2553 to #2574 for \$91,932.63 and preauthorized payments of \$159,322.35 for a total of \$251,254.98, we approve their payment.

Motion: #71/22

Motion moved by Rudy Buitenhuis and motion seconded by Andrea Goold. **CARRIED.**

11. REGULATORY ROLE

Members were provided with the summaries for the Plan Input and Review Program and Section 28 Permits issued since last meeting.

12. PROJECTS UPDATES

12.1. Communications Manager Projects Update

Members were provided with Project Updates from the Communications Manager Report. It was noted that ten classess (222 students) took part in the 2022 Arbour Week Complementary Education Program.

It was noted that the 2022 Wine Tasting and Dinner at Whitewater was successful in raising approximately \$7,465.00.

12.2. Lands Manager Projects Update

Members were provided with Project Updates from the Lands Manager.

It was noted that the 2022 Summer Field Staff have started their contracts.

It was noted that LRCA Staff are investigating a potential partnership with Black Sheep Mountain Bike Club regarding developing a mountain bike friendly destination at Wishart Forest.

12.3. Watershed Manager Projects Update

Members were provided with Project Updates from the Watershed Manager.

It was noted that the LRCA was successful in obtaining WECI Funding from the Ministry of Northern Development, Mines, Natural Resources and Forestry to fund 50% of the CPR Sediment Trap Dredging Project on the Neebing-McIntyre Floodway this year.

It was noted that on April 22nd and April 29th the LRCA issued Flood Watch messages. On May 3rd, a Water Safety Watershed Condition Statement was issued. On May 12th, a Flood Warning was issued. LRCA Staff participated in the City of Thunder Bay's Infrastructure and Operations Department's emergency response plan meetings in response to the flooding occurring.

It was noted that the May 15th snow surveys had no snow due to the heavy rains and higher temperatures early in May.

It was noted that the annual rain gauge inspection took place on May 4th and 5th.

13. NEW BUSINESS

None.

14. NEXT MEETING

It was the consensus of the Board to move the next meeting date from June 29, 2022 to June 22, 2022 at 4:30 p.m.

15. **ADJOURNMENT**

THAT: the time being 5.02 p.m. AND FURTHER THAT there being no further business we adjourn.

Motion: #72/22

Motion moved by Andrew Foulds and motion seconded by Allan Vis. **CARRIED.**



Chair



Chief Administrative Officer