



GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 16, 2023

The Chair called the 2022 annual meeting to order at 7:20 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mark Lovshin, Chair – Township of Hamilton
Randy Barber - Town of Cobourg
Bruce Buttar – Agricultural Representative
Lance Nachoff – Township of Cavan Monaghan
Vicki Mink – Municipality of Port Hope
Miriam Mutton - Town of Cobourg
Adam Pearson – Municipality of Port Hope
Tracy Richardson – City of Kawartha Lakes
Willie Woo – Municipality of Clarington
Margaret Zwart – Municipality of Clarington

ALSO PRESENT: STAFF: Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer
Cory Harris, Watershed Services Coordinator
Ken Thajer, Planning & Regulations Coordinator

OTHERS PRESENT: Glenn Tozer, Lynch Rutherford Tozer

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Joan Stover – Township of Alnwick/Haldimand

ALSO ABSENT:

Land Acknowledgement

The Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority respectfully acknowledges that the land on which we gather is situated within the traditional and treaty territory of the Mississauga's and Chippewa's of the Anishinabek, known today as the Williams Treaties First Nations. Our work on these lands acknowledges their resilience and their longstanding contribution to the area. We are thankful for the opportunity to live, learn and share with mutual respect and appreciation.

2. Disclosure of Interest:

Mark Lovshin declared a conflict of interest on item 9.

3. Minutes of 2022 Annual Meeting:

MOVED BY: Vicki Mink
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the minutes of the February 17, 2022 Annual Meeting be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

4. Reports:

i) Presentation of the 2022 Annual Report
Mark Lovshin presented the 2022 Annual Report.

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the Chair's report on the 2022 Annual Report be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

ii) Presentation of the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer's Report
Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, presented her report to the members. She thanked staff for their continued hard work and dedication. She thanked the members and Chair on behalf of the staff for their support and encouragement throughout the year.

MOVED BY: Miriam Mutton
SECONDED BY: Tracy Richardson

THAT the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer's report be received as presented and,
FURTHER THAT all action by staff be approved.
CARRIED.

iii) Presentation of 2022 Financial Statements
Glenn Tozer representing Lynch Rutherford Tozer accounting firm and Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer presented the 2022 Financial Statements. Miriam Mutton asked for clarification of the budgeted (\$362,500). Staff explained that it had been budgeted to removed funds from the capital asset reserve for the gym, a new truck and furnace to name a few items. This did not happen so there was no withdrawal. It was also explained that any projects that were not completed, the funds would be deferred ito 2023.

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Randy Barber

THAT the 2022 Financial Statements be adopted as presented.
CARRIED.

Mark Lovshin stepped away as Chair.

5. Election of Officers for 2023

MOVED BY: Vicki Mink
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT Glenn Tozer be appointed the Election Chair.
CARRIED.

MOVED BY: Miriam Mutton
SECONDED BY: Bruce Buttar

THAT in the event of an election, Linda Laliberte be appointed as scrutineer for paper ballots and for on line ballots, a confidential poll will be conducted by the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer.
CARRIED.

MOVED BY: Vicki Mink
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT Mark Lovshin be nominated for the office of Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023.

Mark Lovshin accepted the nomination.

Nominations were called for second, third and final time.

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Vicki Mink

THAT nominations for the position of Chair be closed.
CARRIED.

Mark Lovshin was declared Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023.

MOVED BY: Mark Lovshin
SECONDED BY: Tracy Robinson

THAT Vicki Mink be nominated for the office of Vice-Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023.

Vicki Mink accepted the nomination.

Nominations were called for second, third and final time.

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Bruce Buttar

THAT nominations for the position of Vice-Chair be closed.
CARRIED.

Vicki Mink was declared Vice-Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023.

6. Appointment of Banking Institution and Signing Officers:

MOVED BY: Margaret Zwart
SECONDED BY: Willie Woo

****As attached to the agenda****
CARRIED.

7. 2023 Borrowing Resolution - General Operating

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Tracy Richardson

****As attached to the agenda****
CARRIED.

8. Appointment of Authority Solicitors:

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Margaret Zwart

THAT the firm Mann McCracken & Associates, Port Hope, be appointed as the solicitor for the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023 regarding general administrative and land matters.
CARRIED.

9. Appointment of Authority Auditors:

MOVED BY: Tracy Richardson
SECONDED BY: Margaret Zwart

THAT the firm Lynch Rutherford Tozer, Port Hope, be appointed as the auditor for the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2023.
CARRIED.

10. Appointment of Conservation Ontario Voting Delegate and Alternate:

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Willie Woo

THAT the Chair be appointed the Conservation Ontario voting representative and the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer serve as the alternate.
CARRIED.

11. Appointment of Board Member to the Recreational Users Committee:

MOVED BY: Miriam Mutton
SECONDED BY: Bruce Buttar

THAT Lance Nachoff be appointed as the Board of Directors representative on the Ganaraska Forest Recreational Users Committee.
CARRIED.

12. 2023 Meeting Schedule

MOVED BY: Tracy Richardson
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the GRCA receive the 2023 Meeting Schedule staff report for information purposes.
CARRIED.

13. Presentations:

a) Ganaraska Forest Update

Staff provided an update on the Ganaraska Forest. Gus Saurer reported on the salvage operations and thinning operations are complete and this would be his last update. Ed Van Osch updated that the ski trails are open. He also reported contractor quotes are being received to clear single track trails as well as a call for volunteers is going out to assist with picking up debris.

MOVED BY: Tracy Richardson
SECONDED BY: Willie Woo

THAT the Board of Directors receive the presentation for information.
CARRIED.

14. Other Business:

a) Application to WECI Program for Funds to Complete Engineering Assessment of Garden Hill Dam

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Vicki Mink

THAT the GANARASKA Region Conservation Authority support the application to the WECI program for funding to complete an engineering assessment of the Garden Hill Dam.
CARRIED.

11. Adjourn:

MOVED BY: Vicki Mink
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the 2022 business of the Annual Meeting be concluded and the meeting adjourn.
CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 8:30 p.m.

CHAIR



CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER