

GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 20, 2025 (Hybrid)

GRCA 01/25

1. Welcome, Land Acknowledgement and Call to Order

The Chair called the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority (GRCA) Board of Directors meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Mink, Chair - Municipality of Port Hope
Randy Barber, Vice-Chair - Town of Cobourg
Bruce Buttar - Agricultural Representative
Mark Lovshin - Township of Hamilton Miriam
Mutton - Town of Cobourg
Adam Pearson - Municipality of Port Hope
Tracy Richardson - City of Kawartha Lakes
Joan Stover - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand
Margaret Zwart - Municipality of Clarington

ALSO PRESENT: Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer
Cory Harris, Watershed Services Coordinator
Ken Thajer, Planning and Regulations Coordinator
Pam Lancaster, Conservation Lands Coordinator

**ABSENT WITH
REGRETS:**

ALSO ABSENT: Lance Nachoff - Township of Cavan Monaghan
Willie Woo - Municipality of Clarington

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 Pecuniary Interest

None.

3. Minutes of Last Meeting

GRCA 02/25

MOVED BY: Tracy Richardson

SECONDED BY: Mark Lovshin

THAT the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the minutes of the November 28, 2024 meeting.

CARRIED.

4. Adoption of the Agenda

GRCA 03/25

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority adopt the agenda.

CARRIED.

5. Business Arising from Minutes:

None.

6. Delegations

None.

7. Presentations

None.

8. Correspondence

None.

9. Applications under Ontario Regulation 41/24 and *Conservation Authorities Act*:

Permits approved by Executive:

Miriam Mutton asked a question with regards to routine maintenance of the Cobourg harbour and the dredge material to be removed. Staff responded that the work being done is within the policy guidelines.

GRCA 04/25

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Joan Stover

THAT the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receive the permits for information.

CARRIED.

Permit Application requiring Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors discussion:

None.

10. Committee Reports:

None.

11. New Business:

a) Recreational Users Committee Terms of Reference Update

Joan Stover asked a question with regards to the required members for quorum. Staff explained that quorum has been 50% of the members on the committee. Clarification was also asked with regards to voting privileges.

GRCA 05/25**MOVED BY:** Adam Pearson**SECONDED BY:** Randy Barber

THAT the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the updates to the Recreational Users Committee Terms of Reference.

CARRIED.

b) Ganaraska Forest Centre Liquor License

GRCA 06/25**MOVED BY:** Randy Barber**SECONDED BY:** Tracy Richardson

THAT the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approves the application for a 4-year liquor license for the Ganaraska Forest Centre;

AND FURTHER THAT the necessary measures be implemented to ensure compliance with all relevant regulations and to promote responsible alcohol service.

CARRIED.

c) 2024 Timeline Report for Section 28.1 Application

GRCA 07/25**MOVED BY:** Bruce Buttar**SECONDED BY:** Joan Stover

THAT the GRCA Board of Directors receive the Staff Report regarding 2024 Timeline Report for Section 28.1 Applications for information.

CARRIED.

12. Other Business

Mark Lovshin asked about the Ministry of Transportation (MTO) work that is taking place next to the administrative office. Staff stated the land is owned by MTO and they are clearing the land to use as a staging area for the bridge expansion that will be taking place over the next several years.

13. Public Question Period

None.

14. In Camera

None.

15. Adjourn

GRCA 08/25

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

CARRIED.

CHAIR

CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER