



GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING
FEBRUARY 20, 2025

The Chair called the 2024 annual meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and welcomed all in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Vicki Mink, Chair – Municipality of Port Hope
Randy Barber - Town of Cobourg
Bruce Buttar – Agricultural Representative
Mark Lovshin – Township of Hamilton
Lance Nachoff – Township of Cavan Monaghan
Miriam Mutton - Town of Cobourg
Adam Pearson – Municipality of Port Hope
Tracy Richardson – City of Kawartha Lakes
Joan Stover – Township of Alwick/Haldimand

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:

ALSO ABSENT: Willie Woo, Vice Chair – Municipality of Clarington
Margaret Zwart – 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 Interest:

Mark Lovshin declared a conflict of interest on item 5.

3. Minutes of 2024 Annual Meeting:

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Mark Lovshin

THAT the minutes of the February 15, 2024 Annual Meeting be approved as circulated.
CARRIED.

4. Reports:

i) Presentation of the 2024 Annual Report

Vicki Mink presented the 2024 Annual Report.

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

SECONDED BY: Tracy Richardson

THAT the Chair's report on the 2024 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.

Miriam Mutton question receiving a verbal report stating she did not feel comfortable voting.

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

SECONDED BY: Joan Stover

THAT the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer's report be received as presented and,

FURTHER THAT all action by staff be approved.

CARRIED.

iii) Presentation of 2024 Financial Statements

Glenn Tozer representing Lynch Rutherford Tozer accounting firm and Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer presented the 2024 Financial Statements.

MOVED BY: Mark Lovshin

SECONDED BY: Tracy Richardson

THAT the 2024 Financial Statements be adopted as presented.

CARRIED.

Conclusion of 2024 Business

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

SECONDED BY: Bruce Buttar

THAT the 2024 business of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority be concluded and that the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED.

2025 Business

All positions were declared open.

2. Appointment of Banking Institution and Signing Officers:

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson
SECONDED BY: Joan Stover

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

3. 2025 Borrowing Resolution - General Operating

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Lance Nachoff

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

4. Appointment of Authority Solicitors:

MOVED BY: Mark Lovshin
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT the firm Mann McCracken & Associates, Port Hope, be appointed as the solicitor for the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025 regarding general administrative and land matters.
CARRIED.

5. Appointment of Authority Auditors:

Mark Lovshin did not vote.

MOVED BY: Bruce Buttar
SECONDED BY: Tracy Richardson

THAT the firm Lynch Rutherford Tozer, Port Hope, be appointed as the auditor for the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025.
CARRIED.

6. Appointment of Conservation Ontario Voting Delegate and Alternate:

MOVED BY: Joan Stover
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

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

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

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

1. Election of Officers for 2025

MOVED BY: Miriam Mutton
SECONDED BY: Joan Stover

THAT Glenn Tozer be appointed the Election Chair.
CARRIED.

MOVED BY: Randy Barber
SECONDED BY: Lance Nachoff

THAT in the event of an election, Linda Laliberte and Cory Harris 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: Tracy Richardson

THAT Vicki Mink be nominated for the office of Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025.

Vicki Mink accepted the nomination.

Nominations were called for second, third and final time.

MOVED BY: Mark Lovshin
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

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

Vicki Mink was declared Chair of Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025.

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

THAT Randy Barber be nominated for the office of Vice-Chair of the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025.

Randy Barber accepted the nomination.

Nominations were called for second, third and final time.

MOVED BY: Vicki Mink
SECONDED BY: Adam Pearson

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

Randy Barber was declared Vice-Chair of Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority for 2025.

SECONDED BY: Mark Lovshin

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

CARRIED.

8. 2025 Meeting Schedule

MOVED BY: Adam Pearson

SECONDED BY: Joan Stover

THAT the GRCA receive the 2025 Meeting Schedule staff report for information purposes.

CARRIED.

9. Other Business:

a) Policies & Guidelines for the Administration & Implementation of the Conservations Authorities Act and Ontario Regulation 41/24.

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MOVED BY: Randy Barber

SECONDED BY: Miriam Mutton

THAT the Policies & Guidelines for the Administration & Implementation of the Conservations Authorities Act and Ontario Regulation 41/24 be approved by the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority board.

CARRIED.

10. In Camera:

None.

11. Adjourn:

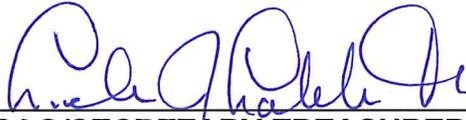
MOVED BY: Mark Lovshin

THAT the 2025 business of the Annual Meeting be concluded and the meeting adjourn.

CARRIED.

The meeting adjourned at 4:38 p.m.

CHAIR



CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER