

# GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

September 16, 2021 (via Zoom)

**GRCA 05/21**

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### 1. Welcome and Call to Order

The Chair called the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority (GRCA) Board of Directors meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Jeff Lees, Chair - Municipality of Port Hope  
Mark Lovshin, Vice Chair - Township of Hamilton  
Nicole Beatty – Town of Cobourg  
Greg Booth - Township of Alnwick/Haldimand  
Brian Darling - Town of Cobourg  
Vicki Mink - Municipality of Port Hope  
Jo Neal – Municipality of Clarington  
Tracy Richardson - City of Kawartha Lakes  
Margaret Zwart - Municipality of Clarington

**ALSO PRESENT:** Linda Laliberte, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer  
Cory Harris, Watershed Services Coordinator  
Ken Thajer, Planning and Regulations Coordinator  
Pam Tregunno, Conservation Lands Coordinator  
Ed Van Osch, Forest Recreation Technician  
Members of the Public

### **ABSENT WITH REGRETS:**

**ALSO ABSENT:** Tim Belch - Township of Cavan Monaghan

### 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None.

### 3. Minutes of Last Meeting

**GRCA 32/21**

**MOVED BY:** Nicole Beatty

**SECONDED BY:** Vicki Mink

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the minutes of the June 17, 2021 meeting.

**CARRIED.**

#### 4. Adoption of the Agenda

**GRCA 33/21**

**MOVED BY:** Vicki Mink  
**SECONDED BY:** Mark Lovshin

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority adopt the agenda.  
**CARRIED.**

Joe Neal and Margaret Zwart excused themselves from the meeting to attend a closed session of Clarington council.

#### 5. Delegations

None

#### 6. Presentations

a) Clean Water-Healthy Land Stewardship Program 2021 Updates

Staff presented an update of the 2021 Clean Water-Healthy Land Program. Updates were given on tree planting and the Trees for Rural Roads program. The presentation covered the funding for the Clean Water-Healthy Land Financial Assistance Program and the year to date success. Other initiatives were touched on such as the rain barrel sale, the Highway of Heroes Tree Campaign and the 2 Billion Tree Program Funding.

Brian Darling asked for a copy of the presentation.

**GRCA 34/21**

**MOVED BY:** Tracy Richardson  
**SECONDED BY:** Greg Booth

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

#### 7. Business Arising from Minutes

None

#### 8. Correspondence

a) 07/21 Minister David Piccini, MECP re: Thank you

**GRCA 35/21**

**MOVED BY:** Brian Darling  
**SECONDED BY:** Mark Lovshin

**THAT** the Board of Directors receive the correspondence for note and file.  
**CARRIED.**

#### 9. Applications under Ontario Regulation 168/06:

Permits approved by Executive:

**GRCA 36/21**

**MOVED BY:** Brian Darling  
**SECONDED BY:** Greg Booth

**THAT** the Board of Directors receive the permits for information.  
**CARRIED.**

Permit Application requiring Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority Board of Directors discussion:  
None

10. Committee Reports:

a) Ganaraska Forest Recreation Users Committee – September 2, 2021  
Tracy Richardson provided an overview of the meeting for the members of the Board.

**GRCA 37/21**

**MOVED BY:** Mark Lovshin  
**SECONDED BY:** Vicki Mink

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority direct staff to pursue municipal support for the appointment of GRCA Provincial Offences Officers with the powers to enforce municipal parking bylaws on GRCA owned lands.  
**CARRIED.**

**GRCA 38/21**

**MOVED BY:** Greg Booth  
**SECONDED BY:** Tracy Richardson

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receive the Ganaraska Forest Recreational Users Committee minutes for information.  
**CARRIED.**

11. New Business:

a) Updated Employment Policy

**GRCA 39/21**

**MOVED BY:** Vicki Mink  
**SECONDED BY:** Brian Darling

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the updates to the Employment Policy dated September 16, 2021 effective immediately.  
**CARRIED.**

b) Compensation Plan

**GRCA 40/21**

**MOVED BY:** Nicole Beatty  
**SECONDED BY:** Vicki Mink

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the plan to move forward with an update of the Compensation and Pay Equity Plans.

**CARRIED.**

c) 2021 Budget Criteria

**GRCA 41/21**

**MOVED BY:** Greg Booth

**SECONDED BY:** Tracy Richardson

**THAT** the Board of Directors direct staff to prepare the preliminary budget based on the criteria contained in the staff report dated September 16, 2021 and the preliminary budget be prepared for the October 21, 2021 meeting.

**CARRIED.**

12. Other Business

None.

13. In Camera

None.

14. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m. on a motion by Nicole Beatty.

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**CHAIR**

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**CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER**