

RAISIN REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES  
September 19, 2024

COOPER MARSH VISITORS CENTRE  
20020 County Rd. 2, Summerstown, ON

PRESENT: Bryan McGillis, South Stormont, Chair  
Martin Lang, South Glengarry  
Lachlan McDonald, South Glengarry  
Adrian Bugelli, North Stormont  
Claude McIntosh, City of Cornwall  
Andrew Guindon, South Stormont

STAFF: Alison, McDonald, General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer  
Josianne Sabourin, Administrative Assistant  
Phil Barnes, Team Lead, Watershed Management  
Sandy Crites, Finance Officer  
Scott Braithwaite, Project Assistant  
Lissa Deslandes, Regulations Officer  
Colin Herrewynen, Watershed Planner  
Brendan Jacobs, Stewardship Specialist  
Matthew Levac, Planning & Regulations Officer  
Vincent Pilon, Communications Specialist  
Pete Sabourin, Team Lead, Field Operations  
Jason Symington, Resource Specialist

REGRETS: Jacques Massie, North Glengarry, Vice-Chair  
Carilyne Hebert, City of Cornwall

**CALL TO ORDER**

Bryan McGillis, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm

**LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

The Board of Directors acknowledged the gathering on traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee peoples, the Mohawks of Akwesasne, original keepers of this land, past and present.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

RESOLUTION #63/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli  
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

That the agenda be approved as presented.

CARRIED

**DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None

**DELEGATIONS / PRESENTATIONS**

Staff presented Project Updates through a PowerPoint presentation.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

RESOLUTION #64/24:

Moved by: Lachlan McDonald  
Seconded by: Claude McIntosh

THAT the minutes of the June 20, 2024, meeting of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority be approved.

CARRIED

**NEW BUSINESS**

**ADMIN BY-LAW AMENDMENTS**

RESOLUTION #65/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli  
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

THAT the Raisin Region Conservation Authority Administrative By-Law be amended to ensure clarity and alignment with recent amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act; and

THAT the Amended By-Law be posted on the Raisin Region Conservation Authority website.

CARRIED

**CITIZENS FOR MARSHLAND CONSERVATION – PARTNERSHIP UPDATE**

RESOLUTION #66/24:

Moved by: Lachlan McDonald  
Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors receives the Citizens for Marshland Conservation – Partnership Update.

CARRIED

UPDATE – DRAFT WATERSHED-BASED RESOURCE MANAGEMENT STRATEGY AND DRAFT CONSERVATION AREA STRATEGY

RESOLUTION #67/24

Moved by: Lachlan McDonald  
Seconded by: Adrian Bugelli

THAT the Board of Directors receive the RRCA's Draft Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy and Draft Conservation Area Strategy; and

FURTHER THAT the Board direct staff to proceed with public consultation.

CARRIED

NATIVE SEED MIX PURCHASE FOR ALUS ONTARIO EAST GRASSLAND PROJECTS

RESOLUTION #68/24

Moved by: Martin Lang  
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors approve the purchase of the following seed mixes:

- Water's Edge Seed Mix at \$150.00/kg from St. Williams Nursery to an upset limit of \$30,000.00 + tax and delivery;
- Wildlife Retention Basin Seeding Mix at \$180.00/kg from Ontario Seed Co. (OSC) to an upset limit \$15,000.00 + tax and delivery; and
- Marsh Wetland – Wet Meadows and Wetlands Mix at \$149.77/kg from DFL Pickseed to an upset limit of \$15,000.00 + tax and delivery.

CARRIED

REGULATION POLICY AND MAPPING UPDATES WORKPLAN

RESOLUTION #69/24:

Moved by: Andrew Guindon  
Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors receives the update on the Regulation Policy and Mapping Updates Workplan.

CARRIED

2025 CAMPING AND RECREATION FEES

RESOLUTION #70/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli  
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors approve RRCA Fee Schedule 6 and Fee Schedule 7, effective January 1, 2025, as presented.

CARRIED



**GRANT SUBMISSIONS**

RESOLUTION #71/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli  
Seconded by: Lachlan McDonald

THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$100,000 from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks to restore and enhance RRCA conservation lands;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting \$2,400 from the River Institute to support a fish habitat enhancement project downstream of the Moses-Saunders Power Dam;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve entering into an agreement with funders, as required.

CARRIED

**CONSERVATION AREAS UPDATE**

RESOLUTION #72/24:

Moved by: Martin Lang  
Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

THAT the Board of Directors receive the Conservation Areas update.

CARRIED

**STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS**

RESOLUTION #73/24:

Moved by: Andrew Guindon  
Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors receive the Statement of Operations report, as presented.

CARRIED

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

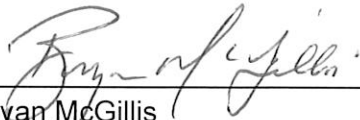
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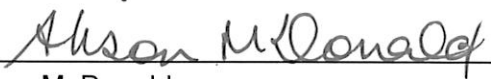
**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION #74/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli  
Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors meeting of September 19, 2024, be adjourned at 5:20 pm.

  
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Bryan McGillis  
Chair

  
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Alison McDonald  
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer