RAISIN REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MINUTES May 16, 2024

Cooper Marsh Visitors Centre 20020 County Rd 2, Summerstown, ON

PRESENT: Bryan McGillis, South Stormont, Chair

Jacques Massie, North Glengarry, Vice-Chair

Martin Lang, South Glengarry Adrian Bugelli, North Stormont Andrew Guindon, South Stormont Carilyne Hebert, City of Cornwall Claude McIntosh, City of Cornwall

STAFF: Richard Pilon, General Manager

Josianne Sabourin, Administrative Assistant

Phil Barnes, Team Lead, Watershed Management

Scott Braithwaite, Project Assistant Lissa Deslandes, Regulations Officer

Laura Grant, Project Manager

Colin Herrewynen, Watershed Planner Jessica Herrington, Stewardship Coordinator Brendan Jacobs, Stewardship Specialist

Matthew Levac, Planning & Regulations Officer Vincent Pilon, Communications Specialist Pete Sabourin, Team Lead, Field Operations Jason Symington, Resource Specialist

Lisa Van De Ligt, Team Lead, Communications & Stewardship

REGRETS: Lachlan McDonald, South Glengarry

GUEST: Alison McDonald, South Nation Conservation

CALL TO ORDER

Bryan McGillis, Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:00 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 #48/24: Moved by: Carilyne Hebert Seconded by: Claude McIntosh

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 #49/24: Moved by: Andrew Guindon Seconded by: Adrian Bugelli

THAT the minutes of the April 18, 2024, meeting of the Raisin Region Conservation Authority be approved.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

UPDATED FLOOD HAZARD MAPPING - EASTMAN DRAIN

RESOLUTION #50/24: Moved by: Claude McIntosh Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors approve the updated flood hazard mapping along the Eastman Drain as documented in the following reports and maps:

- 1. "Eastman Drain Flood Hazard Mapping Project (Hydrology Report)", prepared by JFSA Canada Inc., January 31, 2024.
- 2. "Eastman Drain Flood Hazard Mapping Project (Hydraulics Report)", prepared by JFSA Canada Inc., January 31, 2024.
- 3. "Eastman Drain Flood Hazard Mapping Project (100-Year Flood Hazard Maps)", prepared by JFSA Canada Inc., January 31, 2024.

AND FURTHER, THAT the Board of Directors approve the updated regulated limit on the Eastman Drain, as the extent of the 100-Year Flood Hazard plus a 15-metre allowance

CARRIED

REGULATION POLICY AND MAPPING UPDATES WORKPLAN

RESOLUTION #51/24: Moved by: Jacques Massie

Seconded by: Andrew Guindon

THAT the Board of Directors receive and approve the Regulation Policy and Mapping Updates Workplan, as presented.

CARRIED

GRANT SUBMISSIONS

RESOLUTION #52/24: Moved by: Carilyne Hebert Seconded by: Martin Lang

THAT the Board of Directors retroactively approve requesting \$6,650 from TD Bank Group to host a TD Tree Days event;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$50,000 from the Invasive Species Centre to develop a phragmites management plan for RRCA conservation areas;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$140,000 from the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks to restore and enhance a provincially significant coastal wetland within the St. Lawerence River Area of Concern at Cornwall/Akwesasne;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$140,000 to support the development of a eutrophication strategy for the St. Lawrence River Area of Concern at Cornwall/Akwesasne;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$50,000 to support the status review of the St. Lawrence River Area of Concern at Cornwall/Akwesasne – Habitat Beneficial Use Impairment;

AND FURTHER THAT the Board of Directors approve requesting up to \$5,000 from South Nation Conservation to develop a road salt application and storage education and outreach campaign to protect municipal drinking water sources;

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

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence dated May 8, 2024 from the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry in response to our funding request for Hazardous Trees Management, was provided to the board.

FUTURE MEETINGS

RRCA Board of Directors – Jun 20th, Sep 19th, Oct 17th, Nov 21st

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION #53/24:

Moved by: Adrian Bugelli Seconded by: Jacques Massie

THAT the Board of Directors meeting of May 16, 2024, be adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Bryan McGillis

Chair

Richard Pilon

General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer