

# GANARASKA REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

## MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

June 20, 2024 (Hybrid)

### GRCA 04/24

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#### 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  
Willie Woo, Vice-Chair - Municipality of Clarington  
Randy Barber - Town of Cobourg  
Mark Lovshin, Chair - Township of Hamilton  
Miriam Mutton - Town of Cobourg  
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:** Adam Pearson - Municipality of Port Hope  
Tracy Richardson - City of Kawartha Lakes

**ALSO ABSENT:** Bruce Buttar - Agricultural Representative  
Lance Nachoff - Township of Cavan Monaghan

#### 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 29/24**

**MOVED BY:** Randy Barber

**SECONDED BY:** Willie Woo

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority approve the minutes of the May 16, 2024 meeting.

**CARRIED.**

4. Adoption of the Agenda

**GRCA 30/24**

**MOVED BY:** Miram Mutton

**SECONDED BY:** Mark Lovshin

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

**CARRIED.**

5. Business Arising from Minutes:

None.

6. Delegations

None.

7. Presentations

a) Clean Water-Healthy Land Stewardship Program Update

Miriam Mutton asked about Cobourg's participation to which staff responded that participation was through Lakefront Utilities. Members asked about purchasing trees and the size of the trees as well as the survival rate. A copy of the presentation will be sent to the board members.

**GRCA 31/24**

**MOVED BY:** Joan Stover

**SECONDED BY:** Randy Barber

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receives the Clean Water-Healthy Land Stewardship Program, 2024 Update presentation for information.

**CARRIED.**

8. Correspondence

None.

9. Applications under Ontario Regulation 168/06 and *Conservation Authorities Act*:

Permits approved by Executive:

**GRCA 32/24**

**MOVED BY:** Joan Stover

**SECONDED BY:** Margaret Zwart

**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:

a) Ganaraska Forest Recreational Users Committee minutes – June 6, 2024

**GRCA 33/24**

**MOVED BY:** Randy Barber

**SECONDED BY:** Mark Lovshin

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receives the Ganaraska Forest Recreational Users Committee minutes of June 6, 2024 for information.

**CARRIED.**

11. New Business:

a) Draft Conservation Lands Strategy

The Board commented about the planning process and balancing the need to manage lands. Members congratulated staff on a well-done report.

**GRCA 34/24**

**MOVED BY:** Miriam Mutton

**SECONDED BY:** Joan Stover

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receives the Draft Conservation Land Strategy staff report for information;

**FURTHER THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receives the Draft Conservation Land Strategy document for information and review; and

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority directs staff to begin public consultation.

**CARRIED.**

b) Bill 168 – *Stormwater Flood Prevention Act, 2024*

Miriam Mutton asked about whether the municipalities could move the initiative forward.

**GRCA 35/24**

**MOVED BY:** Miriam Mutton

**SECONDED BY:** Mark Lovshin

**THAT** the Ganaraska Region Conservation Authority receives the staff report regarding Bill 168 for information.

**CARRIED.**

12. Other Business

None.

13. Public Question Period

None.

14. In Camera

None.

15. Adjourn

**GRCA 36/24**

**MOVED BY:** Joan Stover

**THAT** the meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

**CARRIED.**

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**CHAIR**

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**CAO/SECRETARY-TREASURER**