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**Memorandum**  
Councillor's Office

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**Re:** Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority  
Board Meeting Highlights of January 27, 2023

**To:** Mayor and Members of Council

**From:** Councillor Michael Thompson

**Date:** March 7, 2023

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## **Recommendation**

- 1. That the memorandum regarding Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of January 27, 2023, be received for information.**

## **Attachments**

Attachment 1 – Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Board Meeting Highlights of January 27, 2023

## Board Meeting Highlights

### 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General Meeting

January 27, 2023

#### **Welcome and Greetings:**

Chair Emmerson welcomed everyone to the 72<sup>nd</sup> Annual General meeting of the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and recognized a number of guests in attendance, including municipal partners, the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation, as well as other partners and many staff members. Board members introduced themselves and Chair Emmerson called upon a couple of guests to bring greetings on behalf of their respective organizations. Bonnie Fox of Conservation Ontario brought greeting on behalf of General Manager Angela Coleman, and Marvin Geist, President of the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation Board of Directors, brought greetings on behalf of the Foundation.

#### **Presentations:**

##### **a) Transition through Continued Collaboration with the Building Industry and Land Development Association (BILD)**

Mr. Jason Sheldon, Executive Vice President, Land at The Remington Group and Chair of the Building Industry and Land Development Board of Directors provided an overview of Building Industry and Land Development Association, noting their core mission is advocacy – advocacy for the home building and land development industry and for its customers, the purchasers of new homes. Mr. Sheldon stressed the importance of collaboration between the building and development industry, municipalities, and conservation authorities with province's new rules to increase housing supply over the next decade, stressing that new home construction can co-exist with environmental protection.

##### **b) 2022 Year in Review**

Chief Administrative Officer, Rob Baldwin, congratulated staff on the many accomplishments of 2022 and shared a video showcasing the 2022 highlights and accomplishments. These accomplishments are also captured in the [2022 Year in Review Infographics](#). To view the video, please click this link: [2022 Year in Review Video](#)

#### **Presentation to Outgoing Board Members**

Chair Emmerson recounted numerous accomplishments throughout the 2019 to 2022 Board of Directors' term. Chair Emmerson and CAO Baldwin thanked and recognized the following outgoing Board members for their support and contribution: former Barrie Councillor Keenan Aylwin, Uxbridge Mayor Dave Barton, former Scugog Mayor Bobbie Drew, former Whitchurch-

Stouffville Councillor Ken Ferdinands, Aurora Councillor Wendy Gaertner, and former Ramara Deputy Mayor Joe Gough

### **Conclusion of 2022 Business:**

Chair Emmerson concluded the Year 2022 business and deemed the Chair vacant.

### **2023 Business:**

The 2023 Business portion of the meeting was called to order by the CAO Rob Baldwin, who served as Chair Pro Temp during the election of the Chair and Vice Chair for 2023.

### **Election of Officers for 2023:**

Regional Municipality of York Chairman and CEO Wayne Emmerson was reappointed to the position of Chair for 2023, and Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Councillor Peter Ferragine was reappointed to the position of Vice Chair for 2023.



### **2023 Board of Directors' Meeting Schedule:**

The Board approved the meeting schedule for the remainder of 2023. Meetings will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will be held in person at the Conservation Authority's Newmarket offices.

Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>

Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup>

Friday, May 26<sup>th</sup>

Friday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>

Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup>

No meeting in August

Friday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>

Friday, October 27<sup>th</sup>

Friday, November 24<sup>th</sup>

Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup>

To view the meeting's media release, please click the following link:

<https://www.lsrca.on.ca/Pages/Collaboration-key-to-environmental-protection.aspx>