

63rd Annual General Meeting Highlights – February 18th, 2022

On Friday, February 18th, 2022, the Board of Directors of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) held its 63rd Annual General Meeting electronically. Highlights from the meeting included:

NPCA Chair, Vice Chair and Committee Appointments

For 2022, the NPCA Board of Directors appointed Board Member Robert Foster to the position of NPCA Chair with Board Member John Metcalfe appointed to the position of NPCA Vice Chair. Chair Foster was then appointed as the voting delegate to Conservation Ontario with Vice Chair Metcalfe appointed as his designate.

The Board also carried a motion to appoint Member Diana Huson and re-appoint Member Donna Cridland to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Foundation for 2022. Additionally, the following Members were appointed to the Finance Committee: Stew Beattie, Bruce Mackenzie, Rick Brady, Brenda Johnson, and Malcolm Woodhouse. And for 2022, it was determined that the Governance Committee would be comprised of Bruce Mackenzie, Rick Brady, Brenda Johnson, John Ingrao and Malcom Woodhouse.

Conservation Authorities Act Regulatory and Policy Proposals (Phase 2) Environmental Registry of Ontario Posting (ERO #019-4610)

NPCA CAO Chandra Sharma updated the Board of Directors on proposed *Conservation Authorities Act* (CA Act) Phase 2 Regulatory and Policy Proposals and the implications to the NPCA. These updates came as a response to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks' (MECP) Regulatory and Policy Proposal Consultation Guide released on January 26, 2022. The Consultation Guide provided a description of the MECP's proposed regulations and gave conservation authorities the ability to provide feedback to be considered by the Ministry when developing the proposed regulations and associated policies. It was noted that the NPCA had provided comments to Conservation Ontario for response to the Province.

Conservation Authorities Act – Update on Inventory of Programs/Services

As required by amendments to the *Conservation Authorities Act*, the Board approved the NPCA's Inventory of Programs and Services as well as cost estimates to be submitted to MECP and member municipalities by February 28th, 2022. It was noted that the Final Programs and Services Inventory would be submitted to MECP at the end of the CA Act Transition period on January 1st, 2024, along with a copy of all municipal agreements.

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