



SSMRCA February Board AGM

Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority
February 6, 2024, at 4:45 PM EST
1100 Fifth Line East / Zoom Meeting

Agenda

I. Call to Order

II. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

III. Adoption of Agenda

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the agenda be adopted as presented.

IV. Delegations

There are no requests for delegations received for this meeting.

V. Public Input (3 minutes per speaker)

None.

VI. 2023 Finance and Administration

A. Adoption of Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2023

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2023, be adopted.

B. Accounts Payable

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the list of accounts payable be received as information.

C. 2023 Final Budget Update

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the staff memo titled "2023 Final Budget Update" dated February 6, 2024, be received as information, be approved.

D. 2023 Final Property Inquiry Statistics

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the staff memo titled "2023 Final Property Inquiry Statistics" dated February 6, 2024, be received as information, be approved.

VII. 2023 Water & Related Land Management

A. Application Approvals: Section 28, Ontario Regulation 176/06, Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the summary of the site reports approved by staff pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 176/06*, be received as information, be approved.

VIII. Chair's Remarks on 2023

IX. 2024 Finance and Administration

A. Election of Officers

RECOMMENDED:

THAT Corrina Barrett and _____ be appointed as scrutineers for the 2024 election of Chair and Vice Chair be approved;

THAT _____ be appointed as Chair of the SSMRCA Board for 2024 be approved;

THAT _____ be appointed as Vice-Chair of the SSMRCA Board for 2024 be approved.

B. Appointments for 2024:

1. Banking Agents

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce be appointed as Banking Agents for 2024.

2. Signing Authority

Whereas two authorized signatures are required to bind the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority,

RECOMMENDED:

THAT Corrina Barrett, General Manager, _____, Board Chair, and _____, Board Vice Chair, be authorized to sign on behalf of the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority with any two of three signing together be approved.

3. Borrowing Arrangements

RECOMMENDED:

THAT subject to Conservation Authority Board approval of loan arrangements, during 2024 the Board Chair or Board Vice Chair and the General Manager be empowered to arrange any necessary borrowing of funds as required from time to time for approved Conservation Authority projects and programs, to a maximum amount of \$125,000,

And further THAT Corrina Barrett, General Manager, be authorized to apply payments to the operating loan on behalf of the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority, as funding allows be approved.

4. Appointment of Auditor

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the firm of BDO Canada LLP be appointed as Auditor for the year ending December 31, 2024, be approved.

5. Appointment of Legal Council

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the firm of Skeggs Paciocco Lawyers LLP be appointed as legal counsel for administrative matters for the year ending December 31, 2024, be approved.

6. CA Representatives on Conservation Ontario Council

RECOMMENDED:

THAT _____, _____ and Corrina Barrett be appointed as the Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority's representatives to Conservation Ontario, be approved.

C. January Health and Safety Meeting Minutes

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the Health & Safety Meeting Minutes of January 24, 2024, be received as information.

D. 2024 Meeting Schedule

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the proposed schedule for 2024 Sault Ste. Marie Region Conservation Authority Board meetings be approved as presented.

E. Code of Conduct

The Code of Conduct will be supplied in the Board package for each member's signature.

X. Correspondence

a) 2023-12-13 Minister's Direction on Fees

b) 2024-01-29 Final Submission to MECP – O. Reg. 687-21

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the correspondence to the Board as provided in the agenda package be received as information.

XI. 2024 Board Member Orientation Presentation

The GM will give an overview presentation of Board and SSMRCA responsibilities.

XII. 2024 New Business & Other

A. General Manager's Report

RECOMMENDED:

THAT the General Manager's Report of February 6, 2024, be received as information, be approved.

XIII. Adjournment

For members of the public interested in attending this meeting, please contact the General Manager, Corrina Barrett, at cbarrett@ssmrca.ca to make arrangements. Thank you in advance for your cooperation.