Members in attendance: Dave Beres, Robert Chambers, Michael Columbus, Valerie Donnell, Roger Geysens, Ken Hewitt, Tom Masschaele, Stewart Patterson, John Scholten and Peter Ypma  
Staff in attendance: J. Maxwell, A. LeDuc, L. Minshall and D. McLachlan  
Regrets: Kristal Chopp  
*T. Masschaele arrived at 6:35pm.

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 pm Wednesday December 4, 2019 in the Tillsonburg Administration Office Boardroom.

ADDITIONAL AGENDA ITEMS

None

DECLARATION OF CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None

A-153/19 moved: P. Ypma seconded: V. Donnell

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors does now enter into a closed session to discuss:

☐ Advice that is subject to solicitor-client privilege

CARRIED

A-154/19 moved: P. Ypma seconded: R. Geysens

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors does now adjourn from the closed session.

CARRIED

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

No questions or comments.

A-155/19 moved: R. Chambers seconded: V. Donnell

THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Meeting held November 6, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

FULL AUTHORITY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Dave Beres, Robert Chambers, Kristal Chopp, Michael Columbus, Valerie Donnell, Roger Geysens, Ken Hewitt, Tom Masschaele, Stewart Patterson, John Scholten, Peter Ypma
A-156/19 moved: V. Donnell seconded: R. Chambers

THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors Budget Meeting held November 13, 2019 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

None

REVIEW OF COMMITTEE MINUTES

No questions or comments.

a) Backus Museum Committee Minutes – October 7, 2019

A-157/19 moved: R. Chambers seconded: D. Beres

THAT the minutes from the Backus Museum Committee meeting of October 7, 2019 be received as information.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

None

DEVELOPMENT APPLICATIONS

Staff Approved applications

Staff completed and permitted 13 applications over the past month. LPRCA-211/19, LPRCA-213/19, LPRCA-222/19, LPRCA-223/19, LPRCA-224/19, LPRCA-225/19, LPRCA-228-19, LPRCA-229/19, LPRCA-230/19, LPRCA-231/19, LPRCA-232/19, LPRCA-233/19, and LPRCA-235/19.

A-158/19 moved: T. Masschaele seconded: V. Donnell

That the Board of Directors receives the Staff Approved Section 28 Regulation Applications report dated November 25, 2019 as information.

CARRIED
a) **New applications**

The Planning Department recommended approval for one application.

A-159/19 moved: R. Geysens seconded: D. Beres

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the following Development Application contained within the background section of the report:

A. For Work under Section 28 Regulations, Development, Interference with Wetlands & Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulations (R.R.O. 1990 Reg. 178/06),

LPRCA-237/19

B. That the designated officers of LPRCA be authorized to complete the approval process for this Development Application, as far as it relates to LPRCA’s mandate and related Regulations.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

a) **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

The Conservation Authorities Act review meeting with Minister Yurek, MECP, three senior provincial policy members, MPP Toby Barrett, Haldimand-Norfolk, Mr. Barrett’s assistant, and Holly Follinger, Policy Advisor and Public Appointments Manager on December 2, 2019 went very well. The LPRCA delegation provided a 30 minute presentation and included the 2020 Draft LPRCA Consolidated Budget page. The Province is expected to announce a public consultation for the Conservation Authorities Regulation in January 2020.

Long Point Region Conservation Authority will be hosting a Public Information Centre at the LPRCA Administration Office on December 11th to discuss the Draft 20-year Forest Management Plan. Staff, along with forestry consultants, will be available to respond to questions and collect feedback.

A-160/19 moved: D. Beres seconded: R. Geysens

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the General Manager’s Report for November 2019 as information.

CARRIED

b) **SEASONAL STAFF APPRECIATION**

As in the past, senior staff requested approval to present LPRCA staff with a gift card in
appreciation of their work throughout the year and to mark the Christmas season. The expense was incorporated into the 2019 budget.

A-161/19 moved: R. Geysens seconded: D. Beres

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors authorizes the purchase of a $25 gift card for staff.

CARRIED

c) A.D. LATORNELL CONFERENCE UPDATED

This year, the GM, two board members, and two staff attended the A.D. Latornell Symposium on behalf of LPRCA and all reported that the breakout sessions were very informative and interesting, and recommended the event to others to attend if the opportunity is presented. As in the past, it was requested that there be more programming geared to board members as the majority of the sessions are very detailed and tailored for staff.

A-162/19 moved: T. Masschaele seconded: S. Patterson

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the verbal report on the A.D. Latornell Conference as information.

CARRIED

d) 2020 LPRCA MEETING AND EVENT SCHEDULE

The monthly board meetings continue to be held the first Wednesday of each month with the following exceptions: the January meeting will be held the second Wednesday; and, there is no meeting in March or August. The Annual General Meeting will be held February 28th, and the 2021 LPRCA Budget meeting is scheduled for November 12, 2020.

A-163/19 moved: S. Patterson seconded: T. Masschaele

THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors approves the proposed 2020 meeting and event schedule.

CARRIED

e) 2020 COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Committees will be appointed at the January 8, 2020 meeting after the Chair and Vice-Chair elections. Member appointments are required for the Land Acquisition, Lee Brown Marsh Management, Audit and Finance, and Backus Museum committees.
THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the 2020 LPRCA Committee Appointments Report as information.  

CARRIED

f) TIMBER TENDER – SMITH TRACT

Two bids were received by the deadline and the winning bid was within the expected range. Staff recommended the highest bid.

THAT the Board of Directors accepts the tender submitted by Townsend Lumber Ltd. for marked standing timber at the Smith Tract – LP-320-19 for a total tendered price of $46,250.

CARRIED

g) TIMBER TENDERS – PHIPPS AND DAWES (FAIRFIELD PLAINS) TRACTS

Two bids were received by the December 2nd deadline and the winning bids were within the expected range. Staff recommended approval.

THAT the Board of Directors accepts the tender submitted by Springwater Mills for marked standing timber at the Fairfield Plains Tract – LP-321-19 for a total tendered price of $44,000, and the marked standing timber at the Phipps Tract – LP-322-19 for a total tendered price of $7,500

CARRIED

h) FLOOD EVENT REPORT – NOVEMBER 27, 2019

The Manager of Watershed Services reviewed the latest high wind/surge event that occurred November 27th. While not as high as the event on October 31st, flooding and damage was reported in Haldimand and the bay in Long Point similar to the event of October 27th. LPRCA staff were able to notify the municipal flood coordinators to the possibility of flooding four days prior to the event. A Flood Watch was issued November 26th and a Flood Warning was issued the morning of November 27th as flooding was expected in the late afternoon.

The recently released December lake levels forecast is predicting that lake levels will most likely remain high throughout the winter and the spring.
THAT the LPRCA Board of Directors receives the November 27, 2019 Flood Event and Watershed Conditions Update report as information.

CARRIED

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:00pm.

Michael Columbus
Chair

Dana McLachlan
Administrative Assistant