

PRESENT: Anna-Louise Richardson, Chair
Justin Leung, Vice Chair
Sue Arndt
Sue Bartleman
Christina Cicconetti
Jane Darragh
Katie Doreen
Chris Fonseca
Kayla Hayden
Tony Iacobelli
Marlaine Koehler
Scott Lister
Lisa MacTavish
Amber Morley
Jennifer Ogradnick
Dhara Parsania
David Pickles
Mario Russo
Deborah Schulte
Vamika Sharma
Gord Shreeve
Don Sinclair
Natalija Vojno

ABSENT: Itala Abreu
Markelle Morphet
Leah Taylor Roy
Peter Welsh
Charmaine Williams

1. CALL TO ORDER

Regional Watershed Alliance Meeting #1/24 was held via video conference, on Wednesday, February 28, 2024 pursuant to section C.12 of the TRCA's Board of Directors Administrative By-Law. The Chair, Anna-Louise Richardson, called the meeting to order at 6:38 p.m.

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF INDIGENOUS TERRITORY

The Chair recited the Acknowledgement of Indigenous Territory.

3. WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Victoria Kramkowski, Senior Manager, Government & Community Relations thanked departing RWA members, Lucia Piccinni, Evergreen Canada and Regional Councillor Gurpartap Singh Toor, Region of Peel. Katie Doreen, York Region, Humber River Watershed, Regional Councillor Mario Russo, Region of Peel, and former MP Deb Schulte, public appointee from York Region, were welcomed as new RWA members.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND THE GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MEETING #4/23, HELD ON NOVEMBER 15, 2023

RES #R 1/24

Moved By: David Pickles

Seconded By: Gord Shreeve

THAT the Minutes of Meeting #4/23, held on November 15, 2023, be approved.

Carried

6. PRESENTATIONS

6.1 YOUTH COUNCIL 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

RES #R 2/24

Moved By: Deborah Schulte

Seconded By: Mario Russo

THAT Youth Council 2023-2024 Annual Report and Membership Updates presentation, be received.

Carried

6.2 SPILL RESPONSE WITHIN TRCA JURISDICTION

RES #R 3/24

Moved By: Marlaine Koehler
Seconded By: Kayla Hayden

THAT Spill Response within TRCA Jurisdiction presentation, be received.

Carried

6.3 TRCA SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES UPDATE

RES #R 4/24

Moved By: Sue Bartleman
Seconded By: Natalija Vojno

THAT TRCA Sustainable Communities Update presentation, be received.

Carried

9. ITEMS FOR ALLIANCE INFORMATION

9.1 YOUTH COUNCIL 2023-2024 ANNUAL REPORT AND MEMBERSHIP UPDATES

RES #R 5/24

Moved By: Lisa MacTavish
Seconded By: David Pickles

WHEREAS TRCA's Youth Council has been active for five years with the 2023-2024 Youth Council Executive having completed their most recent one-year term;

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the Youth Council Executive's term be extended for an additional year in 2024-2025 for those members who are eligible and wish to continue;

THAT RWA endorses the recruitment of additional Youth Council Executives to fill vacant seats for the 2024-2025 term;

THAT RWA appoints two Youth Council Executives to fill Youth representative roles on RWA for 2024;

AND FURTHER THAT RWA accepts the Youth Council Annual Report, attached as Attachment 1, which summarizes the work completed and evaluates the Youth Council's 2023-2024 term.

Carried

9.2 SPILL RESPONSE WITHIN TRCA JURISIDICITION

RES #R 6/24

Moved By: Deborah Schulte

Seconded By: Justin Leung

THAT the Board of Directors receive the report on the Spill Response within TRCA's Jurisdiction, for information.

Carried

9.3 TRCA SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES UPDATE

RES #R 7/24

Moved By: Deborah Schulte

Seconded By: Chris Fonseca

WHEREAS TRCA delivers programs and services that foster and enable a climate resilient society;

AND WHEREAS TRCA's Sustainable Communities Business Unit offers services in this area that may be of interest to TRCA's Regional Watershed Alliance (RWA);

THEREFORE LET IT BE RESOLVED THAT the staff report on TRCA's Sustainable Communities' work be received;

AND THAT RWA members support Sustainable Communities work where feasible and appropriate;

Carried

10. NEW BUSINESS AND GOOD NEWS STORIES

Victoria Kramkowski, Senior Manager, Government & Community Relations reminded RWA members that communications sent through the membership listing are intended for RWA members only and not to be distributed or shared with others.

Victoria Kramkowski mentioned that a planting event will be taking place on Sunday, June 2 in memory of Michael White, former Regional Watershed Alliance member and TRCA volunteer.

Victoria Kramkowski reminded members of two upcoming tours, the first to the [Archetype Sustainable House](#) on Thursday, April 11 and the second to the [Meadoway](#) on Friday, August 23. Members are to RSVP to the meeting invitations in order to confirm attendance.

11. ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION from Mario Russo, the meeting was adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Anna-Louise Richardson,
Chair

Justin Leung,
Vice Chair