



LOWER TRENT CONSERVATION

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Board of Directors refers to the General Membership as set out in the Lower Trent Conservation Administrative By-Law No. 2023-01

REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

MEETING # 2026-05

DATE: June 11, 2026

TIME: 1:24 PM

LOCATION: Administration Office, 714 Murray Street, Trenton / Virtually

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

ON SITE		REMOTE SITE
Sherry Hamilton (Chair)	Jeff Wheeldon (Vice-Chair)	
Rick English	Eric Sandford	
Mike Ainsworth	Jim Alyea	
Lynda Reid	Eugene (Gene) Brahaney	

ABSENT/REGRETS: Bobbi Wright, Bob Mullin

STAFF: Rhonda Bateman, Chitra Gowda

GUESTS: None

1. Meeting called to order by the Chair

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hamilton at 1:24 p.m.

2. First Nations Acknowledgement

"This land is located on the traditional territories of the Anishnabek, Huron-Wendat, and Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) peoples. We acknowledge our shared responsibilities and obligations to preserve and protect the land, air and water. We are grateful to have the privilege to meet, explore, and connect here on these shared lands. In the spirit of friendship, peace and respect, we extend our thanks to all the generations that came before us and cared for these lands - for time immemorial."

3. Disclosure of pecuniary interests

There were no pecuniary interests declared.

4. Approval of the Agenda as amended

RES: G66/26

Moved by: Jeff Wheeldon

Seconded by: Jim Alyea

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

5. Delegations

There were no delegations received for this meeting.

6. Public Input (3 minutes per speaker)

There was no public input at this meeting.

7. Adoption of the Minutes:

RES: G67/26

Moved by: Eric Sandford

Seconded by: Mike Ainsworth

THAT the Regular and Closed Session Meeting minutes of May 14, 2026 be adopted.

Carried

8. Business arising from these minutes

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

9. Correspondence

None.

STAFF REPORTS

10. List of Monthly Payments Issued

RES: G68/26

Moved by: Jeff Wheeldon

Seconded by: Lynda Reid

THAT the list of payments issued in the total amount of 297,510.97 for the month of May 2026 be received as information.

Carried

11. Watershed Management, Planning and Regulations Update

RES: G69/26

Moved by: Jim Alyea

Seconded by: Rick English

THAT the Watershed Management, Planning and Regulations Update be received as information.

Carried

12. Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan Program

RES: G70/26

Moved by: Lynda Reid

Seconded by: Jeff Wheeldon

THAT the Bay of Quinte Remedial Action Plan Newsletter for May 2026 be received as information.

Carried

13. CAO's Report

Rhonda Bateman, CAO, provided an update. The eastern Lake Ontario CA CAOs met recently in preparation of the upcoming transition. The Ontario Provincial Conservation Agency (OPCA) has engaged EY as their consultant. EY began data gathering from CAs. Rhonda thanked LTC staff for helping to collect data. LTC has met the data requirements prior to EY's deadline. Rhonda noted that a transition 'playbook' by EY is anticipated to be ready by the end of July 2026; and that regional CA Project Executive positions are anticipated to be filled by mid-July 2026. Rhonda is participating in CO council and CAO meetings on June 22-23, 2026.

The Regulation and Enforcement Officer position is filled. The job advertisement for Development Officer closes very soon. Current staff are working together to prioritize permit files. Director Eric Sandford asked if the Board of Directors must meet certain requirements for permits and Rhonda responded that staff are doing everything they can.

Chair Sherry Hamilton noted that municipal councils dissolve in September 2026 in advance of the elections. The LTC draft budget would need to be circulated to municipalities for the required 30-day consultation period and be approved by the Board before September 2026. She added that the OPCA has indicated that the draft budget is to be circulated this year to current municipal members of CA boards; but for next year, the draft budget is to be circulated to the counties/upper tier and single tier municipalities. Rhonda Bateman added that the existing LTC Board members are in place until new members are appointed, likely by February 2027.

RES: G71/26

Moved by: Rick English

Seconded by: Jim Alyea

THAT the CAO's Report be received as information.

14. Closed Session

None.

15. Members Inquiries/Other Business

None.

16. Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

RES: G72/26

Moved by: Rick English


Seconded by: Jeff Wheeldon

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Carried

Time: 2:43 P.M.


Sherry Hamilton, Chair


Rhonda Bateman, CAO/ST

