

Regrets:

#### **COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE MEETING**





Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 – 9:00 a.m. Meeting 01/21



























Present: Peggy Taylor, Chair, Communications Committee

Charles Armstrong, Public Citizen

Gary Barton, Public Citizen
Gerry Boyce, Public Citizen
Murray Inch, Public Citizen
Tim Jackson, Public Citizen
Gerrie Kautz, Board of Directors
Lawrence Levere, Public Citizen
Cindy Saucier, Councillor, Russell
Tom Van Dusen, Public Citizen
Byron Vienneau, Public Citizen

Bill Smirle, Board of Directors, Past Chair, ex-officio

George Darouze, Board of Directors, Chair, ex-officio

Pierre Leroux, Board of Directors, Vice Chair, ex-officio

Absent: Karen Switzer-Howse, Public Citizen

Fran Patenaude, Public Citizen

Staff: Taylor Campbell, Communications Specialist

John Mesman, Team Lead, Communications

Karen Paquette, Fisheries Technician

Kelsey Smith, Stewardship and Outreach Assistant

Carl Bickerdike,



#### **CHAIR'S REMARKS**

Peggy Taylor, Committee Chair, called the February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 Communications Committee meeting to order at 9:07 a.m.

## APPROVAL OF COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-001/21 Moved by: Bill Smirle

Seconded by: Tim Jackson

RESOLVED THAT: The Members approve the Communications

Committee agenda of February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2021 as

submitted.

**CARRIED** 

# **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no Declarations of Conflict of Interest.

#### COMMUNICATIONS PROJECT UPDATE: POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Staff presented project and program updates.

# **APPROVAL OF:**

# A. <u>COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE VIRTUAL MEETING MINUTES OF</u> SEPTEMBER 9<sup>TH</sup> AND 28<sup>TH</sup> 2020

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-002/21 Moved by: Byron Vienneau

Seconded by: Charles Armstrong

RESOLVED THAT: The Members approve the

Communications Committee virtual meeting minutes of September 9<sup>th</sup> and

28th, 2020 as submitted.

**CARRIED** 



### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **UPDATE: 2020 CONSERVATION AREA VISITOR REPORT**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-003/21 Moved by: Gerrie Kautz

Seconded by: Tim Jackson

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee receive and file the

2020 Conservation Areas Visitor Report Summary;

and

FURTHER THAT: The Communications Committee direct staff to create

an annual Conservation Area Monitoring Report for

the SNC Board of Directors.

**CARRIED** 

# **UPDATE: ART FOR TREES AUCTION PROCEEDS**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-004/21 Moved by: Tom Van Dusen

Seconded by: Byron Vienneau

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee receive and file an

update on the 2020 Art for Trees online art auction.

FURTHER THAT: The Communications Committee approve allocating

funds raised from the 2020 Art for Trees online art

auction to the 2021 Community Free Tree

Giveaways.

**CARRIED** 

## **UPDATE: OTTAWA AND ST. LAWRENCE RIVER VIRTUAL FIELD TRIP**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-005/21 Moved by: Murray Inch

Seconded by: Lawrence Levere

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee receives and files

Ottawa and St. Lawrence River Virtual Field Trip

report.

**CARRIED** 



#### REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: REVISED 2021 STREAM OF DREAMS PROGRAM

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-006/21 Moved by: Byron Vienneau

Seconded by: Gerrie Kautz

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee approve SNC's

revised program delivery for the 2021 Stream of Dreams Community Art and Environmental

Education Program; and

FURTHER THAT: The Communication's Committee recommend that

the Board of Directors approve the updated program

fee of \$15 per participant.

**CARRIED** 

Break at 10:10 a.m. Returned at 10:20 a.m.

### **REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: VISUAL IDENTITY GUIDELINES**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-.007/21 Moved by: Cindy Saucier

Seconded by: Gary Barton

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee approve South

Nation Conservation's updated Visual Identity

Guidelines.

**CARRIED** 

#### REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: MAPLE EDUCATION PROGRAM UPDATE

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-008/21 Moved by: Gerrie Kautz

Seconded by: Charles Armstrong

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee approve the revised

maple education outreach initiatives and

recommends that the Board of Directors approve postponing the on-site tours for the 2021 Maple Education Program at the Oschmann Forest

Conservation Area.

**CARRIED** 



# REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENTAL GRANTS PROGRAM UPDATE

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-009/21 Moved by: Byron Vienneau

Seconded by: Murray Inch

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee receive and file the

update on the 2020 Community Environmental

Grants Program; and

FURTHER THAT: The Communications Committee recommend that

the Board of Directors approve amendments to the Community Environmental Grants Program to allow applications for certain community

environmental projects in 2021.

**CARRIED** 

## **SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA**

#### **UPDATE: SNC SOCIAL MEDIA/WEBSITE STATISTICS**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-010/21 Moved by: Charles Armstrong

Seconded by: Tom Van Dusen

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications Committee receive and file

the 2020 Social Media and Website Overview

update.

**CARRIED** 

# **ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSION**

#### A. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

 Cindy has been recently elected to Eco East's Board of Directors and shared an update on some of the different citizen advisory groups available.
 An update was also provided on the tree planting collaboration between Eco East and SNC to plant an extra 1,000 trees in the Russell area.



- Bill has been meeting with the Township of North Dundas and has shared details on SNC's tree planting services, including the Municipal Tree Giveaway and the Ash Tree program.
- Byron mentioned a new covered building that was built by the river in Alfred Plantagenet that would work if we will be able to meet in person for the summer committee meeting.
- Gerry Boyce was looking for an update on the new Conservation Area coming in Augusta Township and what the next steps were. Staff hope to bring a Board Report in April with details, including approval for a preferred name: the Mill Run Conservation Area.
- Murray Inch mentioned that even though Oak Valley is not groomed in the
  winter, a neighbour has been keeping the trail clean for residents to take
  advantage of the park. This brought up that the Reveler Conservation Area
  parking lot will be plowed for residents later this week after many people
  have been walking the trails.
- Tom Van Dusen asked if the Art Auction was something that would be happening again, staff mentioned that it was a great success and something that will be done again in the future. However, SNC might focus a fall event solely on wood working this year.

#### B. RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 'FRIENDS OF SNC'

There were no recommendations for 'Friends of SNC' at this time.

# **DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2021

### **ADJOURNMENT:**

RESOLUTION NO. CMN-011/21	Moved by: Tom Van Dusen Seconded by: Bill Smirle
RESOLVED THAT:	The Communications Committee meeting of February 10 <sup>th</sup> , 2021 be adjourned at 11:15 a.m.
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Peggy Taylor,	John Mesman,
Committee Chair.	Team Lead, Communications