



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Meeting No. 09/25

Thursday, October 16th, 2025 – 9:00 a.m.

Watershed Room, SNC

Directors Present:

Steve Densham, Stormont Dundas Glengarry, Chair
Linda Payant, City of Ottawa
Tom Smyth, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
Bill Smirle, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
François St. Amour, Prescott Russell
Mike Tarnowski, Prescott Russell
Deb Wilson, Leeds Grenville
Adrian Wynands, Leeds Grenville, Vice Chair

Regrets:

Catherine Kitts, City of Ottawa, Second Vice Chair
Genevieve Lajoie, Prescott Russell
Mathew Luloff, City of Ottawa
Isabelle Skalski, City of Ottawa

Staff Present:

Carl Bickerdike, Chief Administrative Officer
Johanna Barkley, Director of Finance
Ronda Boutz, Secretary-Treasurer
Jennifer Boyer, Managing Director, Approvals
Donna Ferguson, Accounting Technician
Sandra Mancini, Managing Director, Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands and Community Outreach
Eric McGill, Corporate Counsel
Pat Piitz, Team Lead, Property





TRADITIONAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

John Mesman, read the Indigenous land acknowledgement.

CHAIRS REMARKS

Steve Densham, Chair, called the SNC Board of Directors meeting of October 16th, 2025 to order at 9:00 a.m.

APPROVAL OF SNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AGENDA AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. BD-178/25

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the October 16th, 2025 main and supplemental agenda as amended:

- Supplemental Agenda Item 1c., be moved to precede main agenda item 7a.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

A. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. BD-179/25

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the Board of Directors meeting minutes of September 18th, 2025 as submitted.

CARRIED

B. REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: SNC COMMITTEES MEETING HIGHLIGHTS AND MINUTES OF:

- Watershed Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 23rd, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. BD-180/25

Moved by: Adrian Wynands
Seconded by: Bill Smirle



RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the actions and recommendations of the following Committees meetings:

- i. Watershed Advisory Committee meeting minutes of September 23rd, 2025.

CARRIED

SNC PROJECT UPDATE: POWERPOINT PRESENTATION

Staff presented the members with a PowerPoint presentation on project updates.

The Board of Directors recessed for a break at 10:15 a.m.

The Board of Directors reconvened from break at 10:26 a.m.

NEW BUSINESS

LAND SECUREMENT FUNDING DECISION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-181/25

Moved by: Tom Smyth
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the land securement funding decision report.

CARRIED

FOR REVIEW: PROPOSED 2026 LEVIES

RESOLUTION NO. BD-182/25

Moved by: Linda Payant
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RECOMMENDATION:

The Board of Directors receive the proposed 2026 general levy, at \$4,847,480, and the proposed capital levy of \$209,093, for review and comment; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors receive the following proposed 2025 City of Ottawa special levies for review and comment:

1. Ottawa Rural Clean Water Program: \$200,000
2. Ottawa Tree Replacement Program: \$200,000
3. Eastern Ontario Water Resource Program: \$50,000
4. Ottawa Baseline Monitoring Program: \$47,000

CARRIED



REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: ASSET MANAGEMENT PLAN [DRAFT]

RESOLUTION NO. BD-183/25

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski

Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Draft Asset Management Plan; and

FURTHER THAT:

Staff bring back an updated Draft Asset Management Plan, with financing options, to the November 2025 meeting.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: GROWING CANADA'S COMMUNITY CANOPIES FUNDING AGREEMENTS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-184/25

Moved by: Adrian Wynands

Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve entering into a multi-year agreement with the Federation of Canadian Municipalities – Green Municipal Fund – Growing Canada's Community Canopies program to receive \$372,400 in funding for the "Greening Community Spaces in the South Nation Conservation Jurisdiction: A Municipal Tree Planting Partnership"; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors approve entering into contribution agreements with municipal partners to undertake the "Greening Community Spaces in the South Nation Conservation Jurisdiction: A Municipal Tree Planting Partnership" project.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: FUNDING SUBMISSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-185/25

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski

Seconded by: Linda Payant

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approves the submission of a funding application to the Wetlands Conservation Partner Program requesting \$200,000 for the



restoration and enhancement of the Two Creeks Forest Conservation Area and Leitrim Wetland in 2026.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: WETLAND CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-186/25

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve hiring Contractor A to complete a wetland restoration project at the Snake Island Forest property at an approximate cost of \$70,000 plus HST; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board of Directors approve hiring Contractor E to complete a wetland restoration project at SNC Property 188 at an approximate cost of \$85,000 plus HST.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: MONIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSEMENT REGISTER FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

RESOLUTION NO. BD-187/25

Moved by: Tom Smyth
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the money received report for September 2025; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board approve the Disbursement Register of \$694,222.37 for September 2025.

CARRIED

MONTHLY UPDATES:

- i. **PLANNING ACTIVITY**
- ii. **ENGINEERING TECHNICAL REVIEWS**
- iii. **SECTION 28.1 PERMITS ISSUED**
- iv. **ENFORCEMENT OF PARTS VI AND VII OF THE ACT**
- v. **ON-SITE SEWAGE PERMITS RECEIVED**

RESOLUTION NO. BD-188/25

Moved by: Adrian Wynands
Seconded by: François St. Amour



RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the following updates for August 2025:

- i. Planning Activity;
- ii. Engineering Technical Reviews;
- iii. Permits issued under Section 28.1 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*;
- iv. Reported *Conservation Authorities Act* regulation concerns received; and
- v. On-site sewage permits received.

CARRIED

SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

UPDATE: ESTIMATED STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS FOR SEPTEMBER 30TH, 2025

RESOLUTION NO. BD-189/25

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Estimated Statement of Operations for the year ending December 31st, 2025, as of September 30th, 2025.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: HYDROMETRIC STATION INSTALLATION – EQUIPMENT PURCHASE

RESOLUTION NO. BD-190/25

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve purchasing hydrometric equipment for Water Response Programs to an upset limit of approximately \$50,000 plus HST.

CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

None



DATES OF UCOMING MEETINGS, THIRD THURSDAY, AT 9:00 A.M. UNLESS INDICATED OTHERWISE:

- November 20th, 2025 (2026 Draft Budget presentation)
- December 11th, 2025 (Note: second Thursday of the month)

FUTURE MOTIONS OF THE BOARD AND/OR DISCUSSION OF SNC ISSUES

None.

CLOSED SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-191/25

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors move into Closed Session for the following:
a. Update: Land Acquisition: 2025-OTT-03 [Ottawa] [verbal]
b. Update: Legal Matter [verbal]

CARRIED

The Board convened Closed Session at 11:49 a.m.

OPEN SESSION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-192/25

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Adrian Wynands

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors move into Open Session.

CARRIED

The Board reconvened in Open Session at 11:59 a.m.

UPDATE: LAND ACQUISITION: 2025-OTT-03 [OTTAWA] [VERBAL]

RESOLUTION NO. BD-193/25

Moved by: Tom Smyth
Seconded by: François St. Amour

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the verbal update on the Land Acquisitions 2025-OTT-03 [Ottawa].

CARRIED



UPDATE: LEGAL MATTER [VERBAL]

RESOLUTION NO. BD-194/25

Moved by: Tom Smyth
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the verbal update on the Land Acquisitions 2025-OTT-03 [Ottawa].

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. BD-195/25

Moved by: Deb Wilson
Seconded by: Bill Smirle

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors meeting of October 16th, 2025 be adjourned at 12:00 p.m.

CARRIED

Steve Densham,
Chair.

Carl Bickerdike,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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