



BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Meeting No. 04/26
Thursday, April 9th, 2026 – 9:09 a.m.

Watershed Room, SNC



Directors Present:

Steve Densham, Stormont Dundas Glengarry, Second Vice Chair
Catherine Kitts, City of Ottawa, Vice Chair (*electronic participation*)
Genevieve Lajoie, Prescott Russell (*electronic participation*)
Matthew Luloff, City of Ottawa (*electronic participation*)
Linda Payant, City of Ottawa
Isabelle Skalski, City of Ottawa
Bill Smirle, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
Tom Smyth, Stormont Dundas Glengarry
François St. Amour, Prescott Russell
Mike Tarnowski, Prescott Russell
Deb Wilson, Leeds Grenville
Adrian Wynands, Leeds Grenville, Chair

Staff Present:

Carl Bickerdike, Chief Administrative Officer
Johanna Barkley, Director of Finance
Ronda Boutz, Secretary-Treasurer
Jennifer Boyer, Managing Director, Approvals
Michelle Cavanagh, Team Lead, Special Projects
Deborah Edwards, Accounting Assistant
James Holland, Senior Planner
Claire Lemay, Senior Planner, South Nation SPA
Sandra Mancini, Managing Director, Natural Hazards and Infrastructure
John Mesman, Managing Director, Property, Conservation Lands and Community Outreach
Eric McGill, Corporate Counsel
Gregory Payne, Permitting Officer
Pat Piitz, Team Lead, Property
Monique Sauvé, Chief Building Official Part 8 – Septic Systems
Katherine Watson, Coordinator - Early Warning Systems and Watershed Plans
Shahin Zand, Water Resources Engineer

Delegation:

Mr. Doyle Harrigan



TRADITIONAL LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Ronda Boutz, Secretary-Treasurer, read an Indigenous land acknowledgement.

CHAIRS REMARKS

Adrian Wynands, Chair, called the Board of Directors meeting of April 9th, 2026 to order at 9:09 a.m.

APPROVAL OF SNC BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. BD-056/26

Moved by: François St. Amour

Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the April 9th, 2026 Board of Directors meeting agenda and supplemental agenda with the following amendment:

- i. Supplemental Agenda Item 1 b. be moved to follow main agenda item 8 a.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None

DELEGATION: MR. DOYLE HARRIGAN

Mr. Harrigan presented information regarding erosion issues and municipal drain maintenance works at his farm property. Mr. Harrigan sought a letter of support from the Board of Directors in his application to the Ontario Drainage Tribunal regarding the municipal drain maintenance works at his property.

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 10:14 a.m.

The Board of Directors reconvened from break at 10:30 a.m.

APPROVAL OF:

A. BOARD OF DIRECTORS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING MINUTES OF MARCH 12th, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-057/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle

Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Members approve the Board of Directors Annual General Meeting Minutes of March 12th, as amended:



- ii. Add Isabelle Skalski, City of Ottawa, to 'Directors Present' for the meeting.

CARRIED

COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

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

RESOLUTION NO. BD058-/26

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

RESOLVED THAT:

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

- i. Grants Sub-Committee meeting minutes of March 9th, 2026.
- ii. Watershed Advisory Committee meeting minutes of March 24th, 2026.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

UPDATE: BILL 97 PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSERVATION AUTHORITIES ACT

RESOLUTION NO. BD-059/26

Moved by: Linda Payant
Seconded by: Tom Smyth

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the update on Bill 97, Plan to Protect Ontario Act (Budget Measures), 2026 and proposed amendments to the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

CARRIED

ST. LAWRENCE RIVER REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY – BACKGROUND INFORMATION (VERBAL)

RESOLUTION NO. BD-060/26

Moved by: Steve Densham
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski



RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the verbal report on the St. Lawrence River Regional Conservation Authority – Background Information.

CARRIED

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: 2026 SNC INSURANCE

RESOLUTION NO. BD-061/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve the renewal of the Authority's insurance with Marsh Canada at approximately \$145,831.28 including taxes.

CARRIED

Genevieve Lajoie left the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: WISKI MOU WITH QUINTE CONSERVATION

RESOLUTION NO. BD-062/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Linda Payant

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors approve signing a five-year Memorandum of Understanding with Quinte Conservation for the Eastern Ontario Water Information System by Kisters (WISKI) hub collaborative.

CARRIED

UPDATE: 2025 LAND ACQUISITIONS

RESOLUTION NO. BD-063/26

Moved by: Bill Smirle
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the 2025 Land Acquisitions update.

CARRIED



REQUEST FOR APPROVAL: MONIES RECEIVED AND DISBURSEMENT REGISTER FOR MARCH 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-064/26

Moved by: François St. Amour
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the monies received report for March 2026; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Board approve the Disbursement Register of \$951,126.34 for March 2026.

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-065/26

Moved by: Mike Tarnowski
Seconded by: Steve Densham

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Planning Activity for the following updates for March 2026:

- 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 MARCH 31st, 2026

RESOLUTION NO. BD-066/26

Moved by: François St. Amour
Seconded by: Deb Wilson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors receive and file the Estimated Statement of Operations for the year ending December 31st, 2026, as of March 31st, 2026 update.

CARRIED



CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Minister’s letter RE: Consolidation of Conservation Authorities
- b. Minister’s Direction RE: Fee Freeze Effective March 10th, 2026 to February 28, 2027.

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

- May 14th, 2026
- June 11th, 2026
- July – no scheduled meeting
- August 13th, 2026

Note: The Board of Directors meeting for October was moved to October 15, 2026 to accommodate the 2027 budget schedule.

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

None.

CLOSED SESSION

None.

ADJOURNMENT

RESOLUTION NO. BD-067/26

Moved by: Deb Wilson
Seconded by: Mike Tarnowski

RESOLVED THAT:

The Board of Directors Meeting of April 9th, 2026
be adjourned at 11:48 a.m.

CARRIED

Adrian Wynands,
Chair.

Carl Bickerdike,
Chief Administrative Officer.

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