

Executive
Horseshoe Falls Regional Council
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Wednesday, June 19, 2019, Ryerson Camp, Vittoria

Roster: Kate Young (President), John Hurst (Treasurer), Deborah Laforet (Past Chair), Margaret Blewett, Robert Lawson, Lorna McQueen, Lena Medeiros, Nancy Risto, Garry Van Bruchem

Staff Support: Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Executive Minister
Sue Duliban, Executive Assistant

Present: Kate Young, Margaret Blewett, John Hurst, Deborah Laforet, Robert Lawson, Lorna MacQueen, Lena Medeiros, Nancy Risto, Garry Van Bruchem, Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa, Sue Duliban

Regrets:

Welcome and Constitute Meeting: Kate welcomed all to the first meeting of the Executive and constituted the meeting, the bounds of which were the dining hall of Ryerson Camp.

1) Review of Mandate: Governance Handbook

Kate Young led a review of the Executive mandate & responsibilities (from the Horseshoe Falls Watershed Governance Handbook).

Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa noted that each commission has the authority to make decisions for the work of their commission and that commissions have the right to refer matters to the Executive if they so choose.

There was a question as to who provides staff oversight. Cheryl-Ann Stadelbauer-Sampa clarified that she is the supervisor for all the regional staff. The Executive is accountable for staff complement and position descriptions.

2) Authorization for search for .75 FTE Minister, Social Justice

MOTION by Margaret Blewett / John Hurst that the Executive of Horseshoe Falls Regional Council authorize the Executive Minister to initiate a search for a .75 FTE Minister, Social Justice to cover the balance of Diane Matheson-Jimenez's maternity leave, from September 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020; and that Rosemary Addison be a member of the interview team.

CARRIED

3. Meetings

a) Executive meetings

After discussion and review, it was agreed to hold Executive meetings on the following dates:

October 11: 9:30 – 2, Regional Office

November 21 & 22, Best Western Stoneridge, London (tentative, to be confirmed): Joint Executive Meeting with Horseshoe Falls and Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Executives

February 14: 9:30 – 3, via zoom

April 16: 3:30, via zoom

b) Fall gathering of Regional Council

The Executive agreed that fall gathering of the Regional Council would be beneficial. The gathering will be held November 9th, in the Niagara area. Location/time to be confirmed. The gathering will be for community building and to discuss financial plan for assets, budget 2020, covenant, self-assessment.

Deborah Laforet, Lorna MacQueen and Robert Lawson volunteered to serve as the planning committee for the November 9 gathering and the spring annual meeting.

c) Annual meeting

The President and a member of the planning committee will meet with the President and a representative from each of Antler River Watershed and Western Ontario Waterways Regional Council Executives to determine if a single or joint annual meeting will be held spring 2020.

4. Commission population

MOTION by Gary Van Bruchem / Nancy Risto that the following representatives be added to the Horseshoe Falls Regional Council Executive, Covenant Commission, Human Resources Commission and Mission & Discipleship Commission:

Executive: Thea Sheridan-Jonah (L)

Covenant Commission: Doug Mills

Human Resources Commission: Joanne Hedge (OM), Pat Tooley (L), Callie Archer (L)

Mission & Discipleship Commission: Irene Ty (OM)

CARRIED

Kate Young declared the meeting closed at 3:00 PM

Adjourned

Next Meeting: 10-11-2019 Regional Office, 9:30-2