The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes **Agricultural Development Advisory Board**

Thursday April 14, 2017 9:30 a.m. **Economic Development Boardroom** 180 Kent Street West, Lindsay

Minutes

Members

Chair Paul Brown Vice-Chair Rebecca Parker Past Chair Phil Callaghan **Edward Hilton** Member Member Matt Hollinger Member **Rob Bonis** Member Bruce McKeown Member Matt Pecoskie Member Tim Webster Member Shawn Westland Councillor Kathleen Seymour-Fagan

Councillor **Andrew Veale**

Ex-Officio

Mayor Andy Letham

Staff

Agriculture Development Officer Kelly Maloney

1.Call to Order & Welcome – P. Brown Called the meeting to order at 9:30 am and welcomed newly appointed member Rob Bonis and re-appointed members Phil Callaghan and Matt Pecoskie.

Present: Paul Brown, Rob Bonis, Phil Callaghan, Edward Hilton, Bruce McKeown, Rebecca Parker, Matt Pecoslkie, Tim Webster, Kathleen Seymour-Fagan, Andrew Veale.

Regrets: Matt Hollinger, Shawn Westland

Guests: Susan Hall, Robin Brown, Chris Marshall, Denise Williams.

2. Administrative Business

- 2.1. **Adoption of Agenda** Moved by T. Webster and seconded by R. Parker that the Agenda be adopted as circulated. Carried
- 2.2. **Declaration of Pecuniary Interest** none were declared

2.3. Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes from December 14, 2017 – Moved by R. Parker and seconded by E. Hilton that the minutes of the December 14, 2017 meeting be adopted. Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

- 3.1. Healthy Environment Plan Susan Hall from Lura attended and gave a presentation of the Healthy Environment Plan project that the City is currently undertaking. She outlined the baseline data report including contributions from all sources, as well as the provincial targets for reductions. They will be seeking public input through pop-up events. The Working Group will begin setting target in summer/fall, and so another consultation with ADAB may be helpful at that time.
- 3.2. Canadian Agricultural Partnership (CAP) Funding Robin Brown from Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association attended and gave a presentation about the new Canadaian Agricultural Partnership Funding. There are three pillars in the new funding, including: Economic Development; Protection and Assurance; and Environmental Stewardship.

Moved by K. Seymour-Fagan and seconded by E. Hilton to receive the two presentations. Carried.

4. Correspondence

None

5. New or Other Business

- 5.1. Committee Elections K. Maloney took the Chair to conduct the elections, and declared the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair vacant. Chair: Rebecca Parker was nominated by P. Brown and acclaimed. Vice-Chair: Tim Webster was nominated by P. Callaghan and acclaimed.
- 5.2. **VIP Agricultural Tour Committee Members** Moved by P. Brown and seconded by T. Webster that R. Parker, M. Pecoskie and B. McKeown be the ADAB representatives on the VIP Agricultural Tour Planning Committee for 2017. Carried.

Rebecca Parker assumed the Chair.

5.3. Emily 911 – Moved by P. Brown and seconded by B. McKeown that correspondence be sent to Council indicating ADAB's support of the Emily 911 project and that a copy of the correspondence be sent to the Kawartha Lakes Haliburton Federation of Agriculture. Carried.

6. Update from Economic Development Division

- 6.1. **East Central Farm Show Verbal Report** Committee members were thanked for their participation at the Farm Show booth.
- 6.2. **Kawartha Lakes Drainage Task Force** A verbal update on the progress of establishing the Task Force was provided.
- 6.3. **Kawartha Lakes Agricultural Awards Meeting** There will be a meeting of individuals interested in participating in the development of this program on Thursday, April 12, 2018 at 7:00 pm.
- 6.4. **Agriculture Development Officer Update** K. Maloney reported that the export development initiative planned with The DairyNews for 50 Russian dairy farmers and processors will be going ahead during the week of July 15-21, 2018 from Montreal to Niagara Falls. Stops are planned in Kawartha Lakes for Kawartha Dairy, Mariposa Dairy, Kawartha Holsteins and Green Tractors. The group will be staying at the Days Inn & Suites Lindsay for 2 nights.

7. News / Updates from members -

- 7.1. It has been a cold delayed spring for planting.
- 7.2. Bulk water rates have gone up in an attempt to assign cost recovery to the users of the water for the equipment related to the bulk use system.
- 7.3. Jersey Canada Annual General Meeting was hosted by the Kawartha Jersey Club in March. The program included an auction sale, barn tours, and annual meeting. Kawartha Lakes was thanked for it's sponsorship.
- 7.4. Victoria Soil & Crop Improvement Association will be holding a 5 day tour to the Farm Progress Show in late August, with stops on the way down and the way back. They are looking for input on locations to see enroute. They will be working with Stewart Tours in the planning.
- 7.5. Fleming College is looking at bringing back an agricultural program. Molly Westland at Fleming had reached out to Phil Callaghan to see what the interest is.
- 8. Next Meeting: June 14, 2018 9:30 am at the Economic Development Boardroom.
- 9. Adjournment The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 pm by the Chair.