

Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee Meeting

Minutes

Meeting FFPL2024-02

November 14, 2024

5:15 pm

Fenelon Falls Library

Members:

Councillor Perry

C. Handley

M. Barkwell

C. Appleton

C. Backman

B. Rump

A. Radey

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1. Call to Order

Chair Handley called the meeting to order at 5:17 p.m. Chair Handley, M. Barkwell, C. Appleton, and C. Backman attended. Also present was Director J. Johnson and Recording Secretary L. Donnelly. Absent was Councillor Perry, A. Radey, and B. Rump.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

FFPL2024-006

Moved By C. Appleton

Seconded By C. Backman

That the agenda for November 14, 2024, be adopted as amended.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There was no declaration of pecuniary interest.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes – April 25, 2024

FFPL2024-007

Moved By C. Backman

Seconded By C. Appleton

That the minutes for April 25, 2024, be adopted as circulated.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

There were no deputations/presentations.

4. Correspondence

4.1 Resignation of B. Rump

Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee Member B. Rump has submitted his resignation to the committee effective immediately. B. Rump has moved outside of the Fenelon Falls geographical boundary making him ineligible to remain a

member on the Committee as per the Terms of Reference. The Committee thanks B. Rump for his contribution over the years.

FFPL2024-008

Moved By M. Barkwell

Seconded By C. Backman

That the resignation of B. Rump be received.

Carried

5. New or Other Business

5.1 Report on the Trails Master Plan in Fenelon Falls

Director Johnson advised the short term recommendations within the Trails Master Plan for from 2023-2028 include wayfinding signage for East Cameron Lake. Twinning the trail along the lake is identified within the Master Plan as a long-term recommendation for 2039 and beyond. Staff are open to discussion on advancing this timeline to an earlier year.

5.2 Council Motion for Staff Report of Support for the Proposed Pedestrian Bridge

A letter of Council support from Mayor Elmslie has been received by the Powerlinks Committee. This will be included as needed alongside permit applications for various external agencies for the proposed pedestrian bridge. Nothing further is required from Council at this time.

5.3 Permitting Process

The Powerlinks Committee currently has a high-level design and concept that can be used to move forward with permit applications now. If more information is required, the Fenelon Falls Chamber of Commerce will facilitate the hiring of a consulting engineer.

Powerlinks members have met with City staff to discuss bridge design and the process required for a request for proposal for the bridge.

5.4 Broader Lower Gorge Considerations

Chair Handley has met with Hydro One to gage possibility of an agreement to use a portion of their property for a walking path. Hydro One is willing to discuss but is requesting a detailed outline of what we require. Chair Handley is currently working with Jakkett Construction to have this completed.

5.5 Committee Vacancies

With the resignation of B. Rump, the Committee has two vacant positions. Current members will canvass the community and refer interested applicants to the application process managed by the Clerks department.

5.6 Land Acquisition

Chair Handley suggested that the process and potential for land acquisitions be added to the Committee's list of priorities. Director Johnson requested that she be provided with a map detailing any properties the Committee would like to pursue, including details of intended use, and she will take to the City's Land Management Team. Chair Handley to provide.

Currently outstanding is a response from Mayor Elmslie on the status of the unauthorized boathouse and the need for its removal.

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Moved By C. Appleton

Seconded By M. Barkwell

That Director Johnson reach out to Mayor Elmslie to request an update on removal of the unauthorized boathouse.

Carried

5.7 Financial Update

Chair Handley provided an update on the financial status of the Powerlinks Reserve.

6. Next Meeting

Next meeting shall be held at the call of the Chair.

7. Adjournment

FFPL2024-010

Moved By M. Barkwell

Seconded By C. Appleton

That the Fenelon Falls Powerlinks Committee adjourn at 6:12 p.m.

Carried