

## **Agricultural Forest Cover Committee**

Meeting No. 2/17

Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017

1:00 pm

South Nation Conservation, Watershed Room

38 Victoria Street, Finch ON K0C 1K0

### **Present:**

Jacqueline Kelly Pemberton, President of Dundas Federation of Agriculture, Committee Chair

Alan Kruszel – Stormont Federation OF Agriculture

Bernie Van der Zweep – Dundas Federation of Agriculture

Ed Schouten – Ottawa Federation of Agriculture

Michel Dignard – Russell Federation of Agriculture, President and Policy Advisor Committee Member

Paul Vogel – Glengarry Federation of Agriculture, Director

Reg Presley – Prescott Federation of Agriculture, Vice-President

Brian Vandenburg – Christian Farmers Federation of Ontario (CFFO), Dundas County

Bernard Foley – National Farmers Union (NFU, Grenville County

Phillipe Etter – Union des cultivateurs franco-ontariens (UCFO), Prescott County

Alain Leduc – Stormont County, Farming Member

André Brisson – Russell Federation of Agriculture, Director

Brian Powell- Stormont County

Marcus Hearle – Farming Member

Tony Vogel – Glengarry County, Farming Member

Louis Prevost – United Counties of Prescott-Russell, Director of Planning and Forestry

Alison McDonald – United Counties of Stormont Dundas and Glengarry, Manager of Planning

Archie Mellan – South Nation Conservation, Director

### **Regrets:**

Adrian Wynands – Grenville Federaton of Agriculture, President

Terry Otto – Ottawa-Carleton, Federation of Agriculture, Policy Advisory Committee Member

### **Observers (Non-Voting)**

Danielle Lefebvre – Ontario Federation of Agriculture, Service Member Representative,  
Glengarry, Prescott, Russell and Stormont Counties

Normand Génier – Raisin River Conservation

John Mesman – South Nation Conservation

### **Administration Support:**

Elise Lefebvre – South Nation Conservation

### **CHAIR'S REMARKS**

Jacqueline Kelly Pemberton, Chair, called the Agricultural Forest Cover Committee meeting of February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2017 to order at 1:10 pm. Chair Kelly Pemberton welcomed all the attendees.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-001/17

Moved by: Michel Dignard

Seconded by: Alan Kruszel

RESOLVED THAT:

The Agricultural Forest Cover Committee approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF THE JANUARY 26<sup>TH</sup>, 2017 AGRICULTURAL FOREST COVER MEETING**

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-002/17

Moved by: Brian Powell

Seconded by: André Brisson

RESOLVED THAT:

The Agricultural Forest Cover Committee approve the minutes of the January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2017 meeting.

CARRIED

Alison McDonald thanked the Committee for inviting her to sit on the Agricultural Forest Cover Committee.

**APPROVAL OF COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE**

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-003/17

Moved by: Paul Vogel

Seconded by: Reg Presley

RESOLVED THAT:

The Agricultural Forest Cover Committee approve the Committee's Terms of Reference; and

FURTHER THAT:

The title should read Terms of Reference Agricultural Forest Cover Committee; and

FURTHER THAT:

The Agricultural Forest Cover Committee approve that Jacqueline Kelly-Pemberton be appointed chair; and

FURTHER THAT:

Jacqueline Kelly-Pemberton be the contact for media-related inquiries.

CARRIED

### **APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND APPROVAL**

Chair Kelly Pemberton informed the Committee on the list of members for the Agricultural Forest Cover Committee. Approved by consensus.

### **WORK PLAN REVIEW**

#### **DISCUSSION ON FACILITATOR**

Chair Kelly Pemberton reviewed the work plan and the possibility of having facilitator and the meeting.

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-004/17

Moved by: Archie Mellan

Seconded by: Tony Vogel

RESOLVED THAT:

The Committee accept the work plan and agree to a facilitator.

CARRIED

### **PRESENTATION OF FOREST COVER UPDATE DELIVERED TO MUNICIPAL COUNCILS**

Cheyene Brunet gave a PowerPoint presentation to the Committee on the Forest Cover update delivered to the municipal councils. An update was provided on current forestry-related grant programs.

**Committee recessed at 2:35 pm. Meeting resumed at 2:40 pm.**

John Mesman provided an update on the different causes of forest cover loss and a comparison to provincial and national averages.

### **PRESS RELEASE REVIEW**

John Mesman suggested the Committee consider issuing a press release to announce their formation and mandate.

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-005/17

Moved by: Reg Presley

Seconded by: Brian Powell

RESOLVED THAT:

No press releases be sent out until further notice.

CARRIED

### **SUB-COMMITTEE FOR PRESS RELEASES**

A sub-committee for all press releases was formed. Alan Kruszel, Alison McDonald and Bernard Foley will comprise this sub committee.

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-005/17

Moved by: Reg Presley  
Seconded by: Michel Dignard

RESOLVED THAT:

Alan Kruszel, Alison McDonald and Bernard Foley comprise the press releases sub-committee.

CARRIED

**REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL COUNCIL SURVEY ON FOREST COVER**

John Mesman informed the Committee on the review of a municipal council survey on forest cover. The Committee agreed that the survey should be sent out.

**DATE OF UPCOMING MEETING**

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2017. The time will be emailed to the Committee.

**ADJOURNMENT**

RESOLUTION NO. AFCC-005/17

Moved by: Alan Kruszel  
Seconded by: Alison McDonald

RESOLVED THAT:

The meeting of the Agricultural Forest Cover Committee be adjourned.

CARRIED

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Jacqueline Kelly-Pemberton  
Committee Chair