



ROUGE PARK ALLIANCE MINUTES - MEETING #1/08 - February 15, 2008

The Rouge Park Alliance met in the Main Boardroom of the Toronto Zoo. Alan Wells, Chair, welcomed everyone and thanked Robin Hale and Sue Gunton, Toronto Zoo, for hosting the meeting. The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

PRESENT

Members:

Alan Wells, Chair
Gord Weeden, Co-Chair
Hon. Pauline Browes, Waterfront Regeneration Trust Corp.
Councillor David Cohen, Town of Richmond Hill
Robin Hale, Toronto Zoo
Markham Deputy Mayor Jack Heath, Region of York
Derek Lee, MP, Government of Canada
Regional Councillor Bonnie Littley, Region of Durham
Councillor Ron Moeser, City of Toronto
Councillor Jennifer O'Connell, City of Pickering
Councillor Clyde Smith, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

Alternates:

Brian Denney, Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
Ron Dewell, TRCA
Sue Gunton, Toronto Zoo
Councillor Chin Lee, City of Toronto
Jim Robb, Save the Rouge Valley System
Tracy Smith, Province of Ontario
Carolyn Woodland, TRCA

ABSENT

Members:

Councillor Paul Ainslie, City of Toronto
Gerri Lynn O'Connor, TRCA
Councillor Erin Shapero, Town of Markham

Alternates:

Ian Buchanan, Region of York
Councillor Raymond Cho, City of Toronto
Nestor Chornobay, Region of Durham
Mayor Wayne Emmerson, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
Tom Farrell, Province of Ontario
Adele Freeman, TRCA
Audrey Hollasch, Town of Richmond Hill
Councillor Logan Kanapathi, Town of Markham
Keith Laushway, Waterfront Regeneration Trust Corp.
Hon. Dan McTeague, Government of Canada
Tom Melymuk, City of Pickering

Staff:

Bob Clay, Manager, Ecological Restoration
Barb Davies, Manager, Natural Heritage
Michelle Holmes, Communications Specialist
Doreen McCarty, Administrative Coordinator

Vicki MacDonald, Biologist
Maryam Nassar, Manager, Interpretation & Culture
Lewis Yeager, General Manager

Observers:

John Connolly, Transport Canada
Jim Dillane, TRCA
Lilli Duoba, Town of Markham
Andy McKinnon, Public Participant
Sheila Lathe, Public Participant

Observers: (Continued...)

Robb Ogilvie, Ogilvie, Ogilvie & Company
Colin O'Neill, Friends of the Rouge Watershed
Nicole Richards, Student
Rocco Sgambelluri, TRCA

9. Correspondence

MOTION: Moved by: Jack Heath
Res. #10/08: Seconded by: Clyde Smith

THAT the Rouge Park Alliance receive the following correspondence:

1. Letter dated December 4, 2007 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from Hon. Donna Cansfield, Minister of Natural Resources.
 2. Letter dated January 15, 2008 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from Hon. John Gerretsen, Minister of the Environment, re: Response to Rouge Park Alliance Letter of November 15, 2007 - Rouge Park and Watershed Ground Water Protection and Permits To Take Water (attached).
 3. Letter dated January 22, 2008 to Hon. Brad Duguid, Minister of Labour, from Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, re: Response to Letter dated December 18, 2007 from Hon. Brad Duguid - Resignation from the Alliance per Advice of the Integrity Commissioner (attached).
 4. Letter dated January 23, 2008 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from Sheila Birrell, Town of Markham, re: Final Draft Rouge River Watershed Plan.
 5. Letter dated January 24, 2008 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from Sheila Birrell, Town of Markham, re: Updated Cornell Secondary Plan - OP 06-114028 (10.4).
 6. Letter dated January 25, 2008 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from Raymond Cho, Chair, Board of Management, Toronto Zoo, re: Representatives on the Rouge Park Alliance.
 7. Letter dated January 25, 2008 to Gord Weeden, Rouge Park Alliance, from David Lynch, Chief Administrative Officer, Ministry of Natural Resources, re: agency Accountability Requirements.
- CARRIED

10. New Business

MOTION: Moved by: Brian Denney
Res. #11/08: Seconded by: Clyde Smith

THAT the Rouge Park Alliance extend our thanks to Gord Weeden for his services as Chair and wish him all the best on his retirement.
..... CARRIED

ACTION

- Staff to write letter.

TERMINATION

ON MOTION, the meeting terminated at 12:15 p.m. on February 15, 2008.

Alan Wells
Chair, Rouge Park Alliance

Lewis Yeager
General Manager, Rouge Park