



ROUGE PARK ALLIANCE MINUTES - MEETING #3/08 - June 6, 2008

The Rouge Park Alliance met in the Canada Room, Town of Markham. Alan Wells, Chair, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 9:15 a.m.

PRESENT

Members:

Alan Wells, Chair, Rouge Park Alliance
Hon. Pauline Browes, Waterfront Regeneration Trust Corp.
Hon. Michael Chong, Government of Canada
Glenn De Baeremaeker, Save the Rouge Valley System Inc.
Robin Hale, Toronto Zoo
Markham Deputy Mayor Jack Heath, Region of York
Dr. Helena Jaczek, Province of Ontario
Regional Councillor Bonnie Littley, Region of Durham
Councillor Ron Moeser, City of Toronto
Gerri Lynn O'Connor, TRCA
Councillor Clyde Smith, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville

ABSENT

Members:

Councillor Paul Ainslie, City of Toronto
Councillor David Cohen, Town of Richmond Hill
Councillor Jennifer O'Connell, City of Pickering
Councillor Erin Shapero, Town of Markham

Staff:

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

Observers:

Tom Boudreault, City of Toronto Parks
Bryan Buttigieg, Chair, Rouge Watershed Task Force
Lilli Duoba, Town of Markham
Mike Fenning, TRCA
Don Ford, TRCA
Murray Johnston, Rouge Valley Foundation
Colin Lathe, Public Participant
Sheila Lathe, Public Participant

Alternates:

Ian Buchanan, Region of York
Brian Denney, Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
Ron Dewell, Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
Councillor Chin Lee, City of Toronto
Jim Robb, Save the Rouge Valley System Inc.

Alternates:

Councillor Raymond Cho, City of Toronto
Nestor Chornobay, Region of Durham
Mayor Wayne Emerson, Town of Whitchurch-Stouffville
Tom Farrell, Province of Ontario
Adele Freeman, Toronto & Region Conservation Authority
Mark Graham, Save the Rouge Valley System Inc.
Sue Gunton, Toronto Zoo
Audrey Hollasch, Town of Richmond Hill
Councillor Logan Kanapathi, Town of Markham
Keith Laushway, Waterfront Regeneration Trust Corp.
Tom Melymuk, City of Pickering
Tracy Smith, Province of Ontario
Carolyn Woodland, TRCA

Staff:

Vicki MacDonald, Biologist
Maryam Nassar, Manager, Interpretation & Culture
Sheryl Santos, Natural Heritage Field Assistant
Lewis Yeager, General Manager

Observers: Continued...

Andy McKinnon, Public Participant
Deborah Martin-Downs, TRCA
Sonya Meek, TRCA
Colin O'Neill, Friends of the Rouge Watershed
Lionel Purcell, Rouge Valley Foundation
Gord Weeden, Former Chair, Rouge Park Alliance
Tupper Wheatley, Milne Park Conservation Association

10. New Business

Councillor Ron Moeser would like to discuss the issues of dogs off leash and runners at the next Alliance meeting.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

MOTION: **Moved by: Glenn De Baeremaeker**
Res. #26/08 **Seconded by: Clyde Smith**

THAT the Rouge Park Alliance enter into "In-Camera" session.
..... **CARRIED**

MOTION: **Moved by: Jack Heath**
Res.#31/08 **Seconded by: Glenn De Baeremaeker**

THAT the Rouge Park Alliance rise from "In-Camera" session and report.
..... **CARRIED**

END OF IN-CAMERA SESSION

Resolutions #27/08, #28/08; #29/08 and #30/08, as a result of the In-Camera session, will be kept confidential and remain on file at the Rouge Park office.

Alan Wells, Chair, reported that the Rouge Park Alliance discussed the addition of two properties to the pool of priority land acquisition list, and that the Alliance was advised of the impending acquisition of a piece of land in the Rouge River watershed, subject to the availability of funding.

The Chair also reported that the Rouge Park Alliance discussed the potential use of some Rouge Park lands for the purposes of dealing with topsoil, and that staff has been asked to investigate the matter.

TERMINATION

ON MOTION, the meeting terminated at 12:45 p.m. on June 6, 2008.

Alan Wells
Chair, Rouge Park Alliance

Lewis Yeager
General Manager, Rouge Park