



THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF WAINFLEET APPLICATION FORM FOR CITIZEN REPRESENTATION

NIAGARA PENINSULA CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Please note: NPCA Board composition is currently under review.

NAME:

ADDRESS:

EMAIL:

TELEPHONE NO.:

1. Why are you interested in becoming a member of the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority?

2. Briefly describe your current and past community or volunteer involvement:

3. Briefly describe skills or experience relevant to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority:

4. What strengths will you bring to the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority?

5. Please affix a copy of your current resume to the application.

If the space provided is insufficient, please attach any applicable information to this sheet upon submission.

Deadline for Applications TBD

Meredith Ciuffetelli, Deputy Clerk at mciuffetelli@wainfleet.ca or 31940 Highway #3, Wainfleet ON L0S 1V0.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

APPLICATION TO BE SUBMITTED BY THOSE ELIGIBLE TO VOTE IN THE TOWNSHIP OF WAINFLEET

Information on this form is collected under the authority of the *Municipal Act* and is used to evaluate the qualifications of citizen appointees to Township of Wainfleet boards and commissions and will become part of the public record. Direct inquiries to the Clerk at the above noted address. By submitting this form, applicants consent to discussion of their personal information at open meetings of Council.

Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

Seeking: 1 Citizen Appointee

For the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority, the responsibility of appointing members belongs to the regional council. The past practice of regional council has been to appoint twelve members representing each of the twelve local municipalities.

For the Niagara Region, the appointment is offered in the following order:

1. At a meeting of Regional Council, the appointment is offered to the Regional Councillor or the Mayor of the local municipality at the meeting. For Wainfleet, the offer is made to the Mayor as the Township's sole representative at the Region.
2. If neither a Regional Councillor nor the Mayor seeks the appointment from a respective local municipality, the regional council contacts the local municipality for a recommendation. In the past, upon being notified of a recommendation by the regional municipality, the local municipality has first offered the opportunity to an elected member from their council. The local area municipal councillor is then recommended to the regional council for approval, and the appointment is made.
3. If no elected member of the local area council seeks the appointment, the local area municipality proceeds with the selection of a citizen residing in their local municipality. The citizen is then recommended to the regional council for approval, and the appointment is made.

Based on the NPCA selection process, the representative appointed by the municipality is not required to be a member of Council. If the Mayor declines the opportunity, the Township of Wainfleet Council may choose to consider an alternate individual for appointment to the Board.

In October 2018, Alderman Betty Konc provided a Notice of Motion to have a citizen appointee represent the Township of Wainfleet on the NPCA Board. Consideration of that motion was never returned for further consideration.

In September, 2018, the Office of the Auditor General of Ontario completed a special audit of the NPCA which reviewed a number of authority operations and practices and made a variety of recommendations to address organizational deficiencies. A copy of the Auditor General's report can be found here: http://www.auditor.on.ca/en/content/specialreports/specialreports/NPCA_en.pdf

Most recently, at the Inaugural Meeting of the Regional Municipality of Niagara, Regional Council enacted a motion appointing Members of Regional Council to sit on the NPCA Board for an interim period (to March, 2019). Additional direction will be forthcoming regarding permanent board appointments in the near future.

At this time, therefore, pending any final decision or direction regarding appointments to the NPCA Board of Directors, staff would recommend that the Township solicit applications from the public for potential appointment to the NPCA Board in the event that a final decision regarding composition of the board calls for citizen appointees. In this case, staff would emphasize that there is no certainty that any appointment to the NPCA board would be forthcoming, however, having a register of interested citizens available the Township could move quickly and effectively if it becomes necessary to recommend a citizen appointee.