

## VIRTUAL MEETING

**April 17, 2020**  
**9:30 am – 1:30 pm**

### MINUTES

#### **PRESENT:**

Chair Allan Thompson, Mayor, Town of Caledon (Zone 4)

#### **Zone and AMO Rural Caucus Representatives**

Dennis Crevits, Councillor, Municipality of Central Elgin (Zone 1)

Chris White, 1st Vice Chair, Mayor, Township of Guelph-Eramosa (Zone 2)

Lloyd Ferguson, Councillor, City of Hamilton (Zone 3)

Pam Sayne, Councillor, Township of Minden Hills (Zone 5)

Kim Love, Mayor, Township of Madawaska Valley (Zone 6)

Cameron Wales, Councillor, City of Brockville (Zone 7)

Eli El-Chantiry, 2nd Vice Chair, Councillor, City of Ottawa (Zone 8)

Bill Vrebosch, Councillor, City of North Bay (Zone 9 and AMO Rural Caucus)

Kevin Holland, Mayor, Township of Conmee (Zone 10)

Peter Emon, Reeve, Town of Renfrew (AMO Rural Caucus)

Jan O'Neill, Mayor, Municipality of Marmora and Lake (AMO Rural Caucus)

Chris Wray, CAO/Clerk, Township of Johnson (AMO Rural Caucus)

Robin Jones, Mayor, Village of Westport (AMO Rural Caucus)

#### **Staff:**

Brian Rosborough, Executive Director

Afshin Majidi, Executive Treasurer

Petra Wolfbeiss, Director, Membership Centre

Brittany Ardiel, Administrative Assistant

Cathie Brown, Senior Advisor

Amber Crawford, Policy Advisor

Craig Reid, Senior Advisor

Victoria Van Veen, Conference Consultant

Stef Lach, Redbrick Communications

Brian Lambie, Redbrick Communications

#### **Early Departures:**

None

#### **Regrets:**

None

1. Chair's Welcome and Introductions – ROMA Chair, Allan Thompson

Chair Allan Thompson welcomed Board members and staff to the meeting.

2. Declaration

- Pecuniary interest – None Declared
- Early departure - None Identified

**ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

3. Approval of March 13, 2020 ROMA Board Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed draft minutes of March 13, 2020. Some corrections were noted.

*“That the Minutes of the March 13, 2020 ROMA Board Meeting be approved as amended.”*

**Moved By: Robin Jones**

**Seconded By: Chris Wray**

**CARRIED**

4. Approval of April 6, 2020 ROMA Board Meeting Minutes

The Board reviewed draft minutes of April 6, 2020, no corrections noted.

*“That the Minutes of the April 6, 2020 ROMA Board Meeting be approved as circulated.”*

**Moved By: Robin Jones**

**Seconded By: Chris Wray**

**CARRIED**

5. Executive-Treasurer – Afshin Majidi, Executive Treasurer

- Financial Statements – March 2020
- Balance Sheet March 31, 2020
- 2020-03 ROMA Income Statement Summary
- 2020-03 ROMA Income Statement
- ROMA Conference Income Statement

Afshin Majidi presented the March 31, 2020 Financial Statements and reviewed the Balance Sheet and Statement of Revenue and Expenses noting that the 2020 ROMA Conference has been highly successful resulting in overall higher revenue and lower expenditures than originally anticipated.

**“That the March 2020 Financial Statements be accepted as presented.”**

**Moved By: Eli El-Chantry**

**Seconded By: Chris White**

## **CARRIED**

### **TIMED ITEMS**

6. 10:00 am ROMA Covid-19 Briefing - AMO's response to COVID-19: Actions, Advocacy, Member Support – Brian Rosborough, AMO, Executive Director

Brian Rosborough briefed the Board on AMO's response to COVID-19, new challenges, effective response, ongoing advocacy, collaboration and support, positioning sector for the recovery, post emergency and what AMO is currently doing to provide resources and support to members.

*"That the ROMA Covid-19 Briefing - AMO's response to COVID-19: Actions, Advocacy, Member Support be received."*

**Moved By: Jan O'Neill**  
**Seconded By: Chris White**

## **CARRIED**

7. 10:30 am Broadband Update on Communication to Telecommunications Companies– Amber Crawford, AMO, Policy Advisor; Craig Reid, AMO, Senior Advisor

AMO staff provided an update to the Board on the AMO/ROMA communication to four telecommunications companies. An update was also provided regarding Amo staff engagement underway with FCM.

*"That the Broadband Update on Communication to Telecommunications Companies be received."*

**Moved By: Lloyd Ferguson**  
**Seconded By: Dennis Crevits**

## **CARRIED**

### **POLICY**

8. 11:00am – 11:30am Policy Update – Cathie Brown

Cathie Brown reviewed the following policy matters with the Board:

- Bill 189 Receives Royal Assent
- Ontario's COVID-19 Action Plan for Long-Term Care
- Update on Bill 189 – New Planning Act Timelines
- Development Charges
- Police Services Act
- Further Suspension of Noise By-laws

- Seasonal Trailer Parks
- Flexible staffing for Health Units
- New Ontario Emergency Order restricting public gatherings of more than 5 people
- Municipal bylaw officers may be used to enforce public safety and security orders
- Virtual Library Board meetings
- Time-of-use Electricity Pricing Suspended
- COVID-19 Related Proceeding Suspensions

*"That the Policy Update be received."*

**Moved By: Pam Sayne**

**Seconded By: Dennis Crevits**

**CARRIED**

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

9. No items pulled for discussion

## **REPORTS OF AMO and ROMA COMMITTEES**

10. Committee Reports

- i. Nuclear Waste Management Ontario (NWMO) Municipal Forum – Bill Vrebosch  
No Report
- ii. Other

## **INFORMATION ITEMS (11-13)**

*"That the Information Items be received."*

## **OTHER BUSINESS**

14. Other business brought forward by members
15. Agenda items for future ROMA Board meetings
  - i. Canada Post
  - ii. Ontario Building Officials Association
  - iii. FCM – Climate Change
  - iv. Cannabis

## **ADJOURNMENT**

16. Next meeting: Friday June 12, 2020, 9:30pm – 1:30pm, Virtual Meeting
17. Adjournment

*"That we do now adjourn to meet again."*

