



**THE CORPORATION OF THE
TOWN OF GEORGINA**

Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 17, 2026
Time: 7:00 PM

Members of
Committee Present: Dave Neeson
Lee Dale
Mark Setter
Cosimo Casale
Mattigan Dillabough

Members of
Committee Absent: Mary-Lynn Seeley
Austin Rooney

Staff Present: Samantha Naumoski, Committee Services Coordinator
Michael Iampietro, Manager, Development Engineering
Winter Mitchell, Recreation Services Supervisor
Jiaqi Yi, Senior Landscape Architect
Bob Ferguson, Manager of Parks Development and Operations

1. CALL TO ORDER

“The Town of Georgina recognizes and acknowledges that we are on lands originally used and occupied by the First Peoples of the Williams Treaties First Nations and other Indigenous Peoples, and on behalf of the Mayor and Council, we would like to thank them for sharing this land. We would also like to acknowledge the Chippewas of Georgina Island First Nation as our close neighbour and friend, one with which we strive to build a cooperative and respectful relationship.

We also recognize the unique relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory. They are the water protectors and environmental stewards of these lands, and we join them in these responsibilities.”

Called to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

As noted above.

3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

None.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0001

Moved By Lee Dale
Seconded By Mark Setter

That the March 17, 2026 meeting agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None.

7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes of the meeting held on December 2, 2025.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0002

Moved By Mark Setter
Seconded By Mattigan Dillabough

That the minutes of the meeting held on December 2, 2025 be approved as presented.

Carried

8. SPEAKERS

None.

9. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS

None.

10. PRESENTATIONS

None.

11. REPORTS

None.

12. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Council Endorsement on Pollinator Project Initiative

On January 21, 2026, Council endorsed Resolution No. GEAC-2025-0031 and confirmed that this initiative will be led by the Community Services Department. Winter Mitchell, Recreation Services Supervisor, advised that she will serve as the staff lead coordinating the event scheduled for June 2026.

Winter further advised that one to two volunteers are being sought to participate in the Pollinator Project subcommittee to support event planning. Volunteers will assist with brainstorming event concepts, engaging community partners across the Town, raising public awareness, and providing support on the day of the event. Committee members Councillor Lee Dale and Mattigan Dillabough volunteered to serve on the Pollinator Project planning subcommittee.

Bob Ferguson, Manager of Parks Development and Operations, advised that discussions have taken place with various community partners, who have indicated their willingness to support the initiative through educational contributions.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0003

Moved By Mark Setter

Seconded By Mattigan Dillabough

That the update on the Pollinator Project be received; and that the Committee endorse members Lee Dale and Mattigan Dillabough be appointed to the subcommittee to assist in planning the event.

Carried

2. Design Criteria Manual

Michael Iampietro, Manager of Development Engineering, provided a presentation on the Development Design Criteria Manual. Michael's presentation outlined a general overview of the development design criteria, update on the project team and governance, the stakeholder engagement approach, the project timeline, milestones, and the current projects status.

Michael addressed the basic structure sections of the project, its key highlights, and specific environmental and sustainability considerations. The project is scheduled to be finalized between May to June of 2026. Committee members have requested that they have the opportunity to review the drafted document to offer comments. Michael advised that he would provide updates on the progress to members of the Committee, and members will have opportunity to comment on an individual basis.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0004

That the presentation on the Design Criteria Manual be received.

Moved By Mattigan Dillabough

Seconded By Cosimo Casale

Carried

3. 2026 Committee Budget Update

Jiaqi Yi, Senior Landscape Architect and Staff Liaison, provided a verbal update on the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committees' 2026 budget.

Jiaqi advised that the Committee has been allocated \$2,700.00 in budget for 2026. With \$200.00 budgeted for publications/subscriptions, \$500.00 budgeted for professional development, another \$500.00 budgeted towards advertising, and \$1,500 budgeted for miscellaneous expenses. Jiaqi outlined the process once a budget request is submitted, and informed that due to it being a Municipal Election year, Staff recommend that Committees consider budget requests and a manageable number of initiatives for the year during the first quarter (Q1) to ensure necessary timelines are met.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0005

Moved By Lee Dale
Seconded By Mark Setter

That the 2026 Committee Budget Update be received.

Carried

4. In-Person Meeting Date Options

Meetings of the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee are held virtually, with one (1) in-person meeting allocated per year for the current Term of Council. The Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee has decided to host their meeting scheduled on June 30, 2026 through an in-person meeting format.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0006

Moved By Lee Dale

Seconded By Mattigan Dillabough

That the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee meeting scheduled on June 30, 2026 be held through an in-person meeting format.

Carried

13. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION

None.

14. OTHER BUSINESS

Newly appointed Committee member, Cosimo Casale, provided a formal self introduction. Committee Members welcomed Cosimo to the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee.

15. CLOSED SESSION

None.

16. MOTION TO ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2026-0007

Moved By Mark Setter
Seconded By Lee Dale

That the Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Carried

Councillor Dave Neeson, Chair

Samantha Naumoski, Committee Services Coordinator