



## Agenda

Friday, May 28, 2021

1:00 pm

Zoom Meeting

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Meeting ID: 879 9184 9128

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1. **Opening Remarks** – *Chair Geoff Ross (5 min)*

1.1. Approval of Minutes (by consent)

THAT the Minutes of the Muskoka Watershed Council meeting dated April 23, 2021 be approved.

2. **Presentations (45 min)**

2.1. **Integrated Watershed Management: Pitfalls, Prospects, and Perspective (45 min)** – *Barb Veale, Director of Planning and Watershed Management, Halton Region Conservation Authority*

Barb Veale will discuss what Integrated Watershed Management is and isn't and, based on her extensive experience in this field, the challenges and lessons learned associated with setting up a collaborative decision-making governance model.

2.2. **Blue Community Project (15 min)** – *Alanna Crawford, Safety and Sustainability Specialist, Muskoka Brewery*

Alanna Crawford will present the Blue Communities Project, which encourages municipalities to support the idea of a water commons framework, recognizing that water is a shared resource for all, by passing resolutions that:

- Recognize water and sanitation as human rights.
- Ban or phase out the sale of bottled water in municipal facilities and at municipal events.
- Promote publicly financed, owned, and operated water and wastewater services.

3. **Project Updates (5 min each)**

3.1. Community Roundtable Update – *Geoff Ross*

3.2. MWC Strategic Plan – *Karen Maxwell*

3.3. Indigenous Land Acknowledgement – *Karen Maxwell*

3.4. Algae Monitoring Program – *Peter Sale*

3.5. MWC Communications – *Pete LeMoine*

4. **Partner Updates (5 min each)**

4.1. Government Updates – *Open to elected municipal representatives and staff*

4.2. Partner Updates (e.g., Province, District of Muskoka, Health Unit, Lake Associations, Community Organizations) – *Open to All*

5. **New Business**

6. **Adjournment**

**Upcoming Muskoka Watershed Council Meetings**

- **Working Group:** Thursday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> at 2:00 pm through Zoom.
- **Project meetings as needed throughout Summer 2021**
- **Muskoka Watershed Council Meeting:** Friday, September 24, 2021 at 1 pm.