

**Niagara Escarpment Commission**

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January 18, 2019

Ann-Marie Norio, Regional Clerk  
Niagara Region  
1815 Sir Isaac Brock Way  
P. O. Box 1042  
Thorold, ON L2V 4T7

Dear Ms. Norio:

I am writing to advise that the Region of Niagara should put forward the names of at least three individuals whom you wish to be considered for appointment by the Lieutenant Governor in Council to the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) upon expiry of the appointment of your current representative, Brian Baty, on May 26, 2019.

The submission of candidates' names, from municipalities that lie in whole or in part of the Niagara Escarpment Planning Area, is provided for under the *Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act*. The Act states that candidates for Commissioners from municipalities must be either elected officials or persons employed by such a municipality (upper tier or lower tier).

The Niagara Escarpment Commission plays an integral role in the protection and maintenance of the Niagara Escarpment. I am confident that the list of submitted candidates will match the high standard of previous submissions from your municipality.

Niagara Escarpment Commissioners are entitled to a \$472 per diem for each meeting day and a further half-day per diem for meeting preparation. In addition, Commissioners are entitled to travel costs, currently 40 cents per kilometre, and normal out-of-pocket expenses.

The new candidates on your list will have to be reviewed by and apply for appointment as a Commissioner through the Public Appointments Secretariat (PAS). The candidates will be required to set up an account on the PAS website <https://www.ontario.ca/page/public-appointments>. The website provides information on the process of selection and how to apply for a public appointment. The PAS can be contacted at 416-327-2640 or toll free at 1-855-825-3422 should you have any questions.

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To ensure continuity of representation for your municipality on the Niagara Escarpment Commission, a response with the list of names and contact information for consideration would be appreciated by February 28, 2019. Kindly send a copy to the Minister at:

Hon. John Yakabuski  
Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry  
Whitney Block  
6th Floor, Room 6630  
99 Wellesley Street West  
Toronto, ON M7A 1W3

A copy should also be sent to:

Public Appointments Secretariat  
Room 2440, Whitney Block  
99 Wellesley St. West  
Toronto, ON M7A 1W4

The Commission would also appreciate receiving a copy of the response.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Should there be questions, please contact Debbie Ramsay, Manager, at (905) 877-6172 or e-mail [Debbie.Ramsay@ontario.ca](mailto:Debbie.Ramsay@ontario.ca).

The Minister's Office and/or the Public Appointments Secretariat may contact the municipality and/or the candidates once the names have been provided to them.

Best Regards,



R.F (Russ) Powers  
Chair

- c. Hon. John Yakabuski, Minister, Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF)  
Bill Thornton, Deputy Minister, MNRF  
Ala Boyd, Director, Natural Resources Conservation Policy Branch, MNRF  
John Dungavell, Manager, Natural Resources Conservation Policy Branch,  
Natural Heritage Section, MNRF  
Rob Pineo, Niagara Escarpment Program Team Lead, Natural Resources  
Conservation Policy Branch, Natural Heritage Section, MNRF  
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David Ayotte, Director, Niagara Escarpment Commission  
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