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December 8, 2016

Mayor Jeffs  
Township of Wainfleet

Sent via email: [ajeffer@wainfleet.ca](mailto:ajeffer@wainfleet.ca)

Dear Mayor Jeffs:

We acknowledge receipt of the resolution passed by the Township of Wainfleet Council at its December 6, 2016, meeting.

The motion that passed stated:

*“That, Wainfleet Town Council request the NPCA Board to consider obtaining an independent third party audit, such as a value-for-money audit and/or forensic audit, above and beyond their annual financial audits.”*

I thank Mayor April Jeffs for her leadership in recognizing the proper process to prompt action on this matter by bringing a request directly to the NPCA Board. We, at the Board and staff level, are all interested in continuous improvement and welcome an open dialogue toward bettering our organization. I look forward to discussing this matter at our earliest opportunity, which is our January 18, 2017, Board of Directors meeting.

I take great pride in the high level of transparency and accountability that has already been achieved by the NPCA. We believe in fair and reasonable processes that embrace extensive public consultation. We have engaged our community in several projects this year, including; Welland River Flood Plain Mapping, Living Landscape Policy Review, Cave Springs Management Plan, and the Lakefront Conservation Areas Master Plan. We have also made our Audited Financial Statements, Annual Reports, Quarterly Reports, and Board Meeting videos available on our website.

We remain committed to hearing the concerns of our community. I believe that consideration of this matter will further our transparency and accountability. You may rest assured that the consideration of a third party value-for-money and/or forensic audit will be addressed by our Board now that a direct request has been received.

Sincerely,



D. Bruce Timms,  
Chair, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

NPCA Board of Directors:

Councillor, Bruce Timms (Chair, St. Catharines)  
Councillor, Sandy Annunziata (Vice-Chair, Fort Erie)  
Councillor, Brian Baty (Pelham)  
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Councillor, Tony Quirk (Grimsby)  
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cc: Honourable Kathleen Wynne; Premier of Ontario  
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Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority Board of Directors



# Township of Wainfleet

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December 8, 2016

RE: **Resolution – NPCA Audit Request**

The Municipal Council of the Township of Wainfleet at its Regular Meeting December 6, 2016, unanimously passed the following resolution:

**"THAT** Wainfleet Town Council request the NPCA Board to consider obtaining an independent third party audit, such as a value-for-money audit and/or forensic audit, above and beyond their annual financial audits."

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

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