

Town of Scarborough
Parks and Conservation Land Board

Agenda

Thursday, January 18, 2024 – 10:00 AM

Town Hall - Council Chambers B

Item 1 | Attendance

Item 2 | Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2023

Item 3 | 2024 PCLB Leadership Nominations

Item 4 | Bond Referendum (Jessica)

- Town Council Letter Status
- Update on Conversation with the Trust for Public Land

Item 5 | Financial Reports for 2022 & 2023

Item 6 | Success Report

Item 7 | Qualitative Assessment Form

Item 8 | Items for Next Agenda

Next Meeting - TBD



Parks and Conservation Land Board

January 19, 2024

To Chairman Nicholas McGee and Members of the Town Council,

The Parks and Conservation Land Board recommends you consider placing a referendum question on the November 2024 ballot for residents to vote on authorizing the Town of Scarborough to issue new bonding authority in the range of \$5 to \$10 million. Although the specific amount is to be determined through additional research, the bond will be used for the purchase of land and interests in lands throughout the town for purposes of conservation of natural areas, providing public access and recreation, and protection of wildlife habitat and scenic or environmentally sensitive areas.

The Land Acquisition Reserve Fund has traditionally been funded with such bonds, with voters approving bond measures in 2000, 2003, 2009, and 2019. There is approximately \$1.4 million of remaining authorization from the 2019 Parks and Conservation Land Bond. Since December 2022, \$750,000 has been spent from the Land Bond. Given the rate and cost per acre of recent projects and likely future projects, this remaining funding will be exhausted this year.

In addition to maintaining Scarborough's historic rate of parks and land conservation, new bonding capacity is necessary to fulfill the resolution recently unanimously approved by the Town Council supporting the concept of the 30X30 campaign to protect and conserve at least 30 percent of land and water by 2030.

Sincerely,

Jessica Sargent
Chair, Parks and Conservation Land Board

Scarborough Parks and Conservation Land Board

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TOWN OF SCARBOROUGH

LAND/PARKS 2019 VOTER APPROVAL

\$ 2,500,000.00

12/21/2020	649 U.S. ROUTE 1 - GOVERNOR WILLIAM KING TEMPLE	PURCHASE DEPOSIT	(10,000.00)	
1/7/2021	649 U.S. ROUTE 1 - GOVERNOR WILLIAM KING TEMPLE	PURCHASE	(354,141.63)	
1/7/2021	649 U.S. ROUTE 1 - GOVERNOR WILLIAM KING TEMPLE	TITLE CO.	(100.00)	
2/4/2021	649 U.S. ROUTE 1 - GOVERNOR WILLIAM KING TEMPLE	ARCHITCTURAL /ENGINEERING	(1,552.02)	
9/8/2021	649 U.S. ROUTE 1 - GOVERNOR WILLIAM KING TEMPLE	ROOF REPLACEMENT	<u>(30,304.71)</u>	(396,098.36)
12/5/2021	196 GORHAM ROAD - LIBBY PROPERTY	PURCHASE	<u>(200,000.00)</u>	(200,000.00)
12/22/2022	91 BURNHAM ROAD	PURCHASE	<u>(140,000.00)</u>	(140,000.00)
9/21/2023	00 GORHAM ROAD - END OF FINCH WAY	PURCHASE	<u>(130,000.00)</u>	(130,000.00)
1/2/2024	50 HANSON ROAD - SILVER BROOK PRESERVE	PURCHASE	<u>(210,000.00)</u>	(210,000.00)
1/17/2024	REMAINING AUTHORIZATION			<u><u>\$ 1,423,901.64</u></u>