

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES MEMORANDUM

TO: MAYOR J. LEHMAN AND MEMBERS OF COUNCIL

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NOTED: M. PROWSE, CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

RE: BARRIE'S KARI-ANNE LAST'S APPOINTMENT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OF THE WALKERTON CLEAN WATER CENTRE

DATE: APRIL 9, 2018

The purpose of the Memorandum is to inform members of Council of the recent appointment by the Ontario Government of **Kari-Anne Last** of Barrie's Environmental Services Department, Water Operations Branch, to the **Walkerton Clean Water Centre** (WCWC) **Board of Directors** for a three (3) year term (see Attachment A - appointment documentation recommended by Ontario's Minister of the Environment and Climate Change, the Honourable Chris Ballard and approved by Ontario's Lieutenant Governor, Her Honour the Honourable Elizabeth Dowdeswell).

The **Walkerton Clean Water Centre** was established in 2004 as an operational service agency of the Government of Ontario. It is responsible for delivering education, information and advice on water treatment, equipment, technology and operational requirements and environmental issues related to drinking water. It also provides advice, information and promotes public education on water safety and quality issues. In addition, the Centre provides advice to the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change on research needed to achieve and maintain high quality safe drinking water. The Centre is located in the Town of Walkerton in the Municipality of Brockton.

It's Mission:

"The Centre exists for the purpose of educating and supporting our clients as they address their water system risks in order to safeguard Ontario's drinking water."

Kari-Anne Last holds the top level of Water Treatment Operator Certification – Class 4 and is currently an Operations Project Coordinator (OPC) in the Compliance and Technical Services Section of Barrie's Water Operations Branch of the Environmental Services Department. She joined the City of Barrie's Water Operations Branch in 2011 having come from the City of Timmins where she served for 11 years.

Kari-Anne Last supports and provides guidance and direction to other operators in the event of process and compliance issues, while also leading pilot projects and presenting findings at key annual drinking water conferences. Kari-Anne Last was also a part-time professor at Northern College, where she taught Water and Wastewater Monitoring and Sampling; Soil and Air Monitoring and Sampling and Water Quality Analysis.

As a Member of the WCWC Board of Directors for the next three (3) years Ms. Last will assist in setting policy direction and guiding the Centre's focus.

For further information please contact John Thompson at extension 4802.