GREN Executive Meeting Minutes December 23, 2020

Attending: J. Jackson, S. Bryant, S. Koswan, K. Thomason,

Regrets: G. Michalenko

1. Follow-up on the Ontario Greenbelt Alliance 2020 Grant Activities – The Executive discussed the past 9 months of actions and activities carried out under the program co-ordinated by Environment Hamilton. There was strong agreement that it has been good to see GREN representing Southern Ontario at the provincial level and executing key aspects of this program to steward to expand the provincial Greenbelt.

It was determined that the allocation of $10,000 grant will be as follows:

- $5000 to help cover the GREN website re-build and ongoing costs,

- $2500 to K. Thomason for partial payment of costs to meet commitments to funding,

- $2500 into the GREN general account for ongoing and future support of local groups, events and the like.

1. The Executive also discussed the development of GREN policies for future funding that would be assessed on case-by-case basis as it appears that there could be new programs and funding available from new OGA programs and potential climate change initiatives.
2. GREN Website - S. Koswan will contact D. Moulton for the current status of our website, and search for person to build GREN website shell that would allow GREN members to easily contribute and update content.