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Lower Trent Conservation's CAO Announces Retirement

After nearly 3 decades of dedicated service to Lower Trent Conservation, Glenda Rodgers, Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer, has announced her pending retirement, effective May 15, 2019.

Rodgers (née Ruckstuhl) was born and raised in Quinte West, and her entire career has been with Lower Trent Conservation. After completing her Masters of Science in Watershed Ecosystems, she spent the next few years raising her two sons. She entered the workforce in March 1990 when she was hired by Lower Trent Conservation. Working her way up in the organization, Rodgers spent her first 15 years in the watershed planning program – reviewing planning applications and developing broad-based watershed plans along with other strategic planning documents – all the while learning what Lower Trent Conservation was all about. She worked the next 5 years as the Source Protection Project Manager, building the Trent Conservation Coalition Source Protection Program from the ground up. Then, in 2010, she was hired as the General Manager (CAO) for Lower Trent Conservation.

“I greatly appreciate the opportunities for promotion and professional advancement I was given,” says Rodgers. “And it has been a privilege to work with such an exceptional team of talented and committed professionals.”

“I want to express my heartfelt thanks to all of my amazing staff and colleagues and those who served on our Board of Directors for continuously providing me with their support, advice, and hard work over the years,” adds Rodgers. “I am proud of what we have accomplished together.”

Over the past few years, Rodgers has worked to build a strong staff team, expand conservation services, modernize operations, and promote the Conservation Authority's positive role in the community. She spearheaded the advancement of fundraising to help support underfunded programs and expanded environmental education, outreach and stewardship initiatives.

Chair of the Lower Trent Conservation Board of Directors, Jim Alyea, noted that Rodgers' legacy will continue long after her retirement this spring as her many accomplishments have left significant, positive impacts locally. “On behalf of the Board of Directors, I wish to extend our deepest thanks to Glenda for her strong leadership, tireless efforts, and outstanding mentorship throughout these many years of her tenure with Lower Trent Conservation,”

says Alyea. “She has been instrumental in building a strong organization, strengthening relationships with municipal partners, and establishing important conservation programs that respect the needs of the community.”

Rodgers’ husband of 40 years, Wallace, will join her in retirement come May. They look forward to travelling, spending more time with family and friends, and enjoying the great outdoors.

“Lower Trent Conservation is an environmental protection organization dedicated to making this world a little bit better. It has been an incredible journey helping to fulfill our vision of healthy watersheds for healthy communities,” says Rodgers. “Lower Trent Conservation and the beautiful watershed it protects will always hold a special place in my heart.”

Lower Trent Conservation’s Board of Directors has begun the job of seeking a new hire for the position of CAO/Secretary Treasurer. The successful candidate will be directly responsible for the performance of the organization, the success of its operations and achieving its strategic directions. Anyone interested in applying for the role can visit LTC.on.ca for more information.

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