



## **Severn Sound Environmental Association**

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **New Chair of the Board elected at the SSEA**

**Port McNicoll, Ontario** – The Severn Sound Environmental Association (SSEA) Board of Directors elected their 2025 Board Executive at the February 13<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Board meeting: Chair, Councillor Danielle Alexander (Township of Springwater); Vice Chair, Councillor Suzanne Marchand (Town of Penetanguishene); Executive Member, Councillor Mark Taylor (Township of Severn); and Councillor Steffen Walma (Township of Tiny) now serves as Past Chair.

Township of Tiny Councillor Walma was the longest standing Chair of the SSEA since its establishment in 1997. *"It has been an incredible honour to serve as Chair of SSEA for the past eight years. Looking back, I am immensely proud of how far this organization has come - growing in strength, impact, and commitment to protecting our shared environment. None of this would have been possible without the dedication of our staff, board, partners, and community."* Says Past Chair Walma *"As I step down, I do so with full confidence in the future of SSEA, especially under the capable leadership of our new Chair, Councillor Alexander and our committed municipal partners. I extend my deepest gratitude to everyone who has supported me in this role, and I look forward to seeing SSEA thrive in the years to come."*

Chair Alexander is looking forward to her new role. *"I'm honoured to take on the role of Chair for the SSEA Board and grateful for the trust placed in me. A sincere thank you to Councillor Steffen Walma for his leadership and many years of service—his dedication has been invaluable. The SSEA plays a crucial role in protecting our watershed, and I'm proud to be part of this important work and look forward to working with our partners to continue these efforts."*

For SSEA Board Meeting information visit <https://www.severnsound.ca/about-us/meetings/>

*The Severn Sound Environmental Association is a Joint Municipal Service Board working on behalf of eight municipalities (Georgian Bay, Midland, Oro-Medonte, Penetanguishene, Severn, Springwater, Tay, Tiny) to protect and enhance the environmental health of the Severn Sound watershed. To learn more about SSEA and our initiatives, visit [www.severnsound.ca](http://www.severnsound.ca).*

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