CHAPTER 327

Ontario Agricultural Museum Act

1. In this Act,

(a) "Board" means the Ontario Agricultural Museum Advisory Board;

(b) "donation" includes any gift, testamentary disposition, deed of trust or other form of contribution;

(c) "Minister" means the Minister of Agriculture and Food;

(d) "Museum" means the Ontario Agricultural Museum.

1975, c. 58, s. 1.

2. The Minister is responsible for the administration of this Act. 1975, c. 58, s. 2.

3.—(1) The Ontario Agricultural Museum is continued.

(2) The affairs of the Museum are under the control of the Minister and the Minister has all the powers necessary for the purpose of carrying out the objects of the Museum. 1975, c. 58, s. 3.

4.—(1) The Ontario Agricultural Museum Advisory Board is continued.

(2) The Board shall consist of not fewer than five and not more than eleven members appointed by the Lieutenant Governor in Council, of whom at least two shall be members of the public service of Ontario.

(3) The Lieutenant Governor in Council shall designate one of the members of the Board as chairman and one of them as vice-chairman of the Board.

(4) Members of the Board, other than full-time members of the public service of Ontario, shall receive such remuneration and expenses as the Lieutenant Governor in Council determines.
Term of appointment

(5) A member of the Board may be appointed for a term not exceeding three years but may be reappointed for one or more further terms.

Quorum

(6) A majority of the members of the Board constitutes a quorum. 1975, c. 58, s. 4.

Duties of Board

5. The object and purpose of the Board is to consider matters relating to the objects of the Museum and to make recommendations thereon to the Minister. 1975, c. 58, s. 5.

Chief executive officer and staff

6.—(1) A chief executive officer of the Museum may be appointed under the Public Service Act and such other officers, clerks and servants as are considered necessary from time to time for the proper conduct of the business of the Museum.

Duties of chief executive officer

(2) The chief executive officer shall have the management and administration of the Museum, subject to the supervision and direction of the Minister. 1975, c. 58, s. 6.

Objects of Museum

7. The objects of the Museum are,

(a) to display and illustrate to the public articles or documents relating to or used in agricultural or horticultural pursuits in Ontario;

(b) to inform and stimulate the interest of the public in matters depicted by the Museum; and

(c) to receive, acquire by purchase, donation or lease, hold, preserve, maintain, reconstruct, restore and manage things of historical or architectural interest relating to or used in agricultural or horticultural pursuits in Ontario. 1975, c. 58, s. 7.

Powers of Minister

8. The Minister is authorized,

(a) to acquire property, whether by purchase, donation, lease, public subscription, grant, bequest or otherwise;

(b) to enter into agreements with prospective donors with respect to any conditions governing the use of property;

(c) to enter into agreements with any person respecting any matter within the objects of the Museum and to pay moneys to such persons pursuant to any such agreement;

(d) to establish and operate facilities on the lands of the Museum for,
(i) the sale of food, beverages, books, artifacts and other wares, and

(ii) the parking of vehicles;

(e) subject to the terms of any trust in connection with such property, to dispose of property by sale, lease, loan or any other manner, and to execute such deeds or other instruments as may be required to effect such disposal;

(f) to conduct exhibitions, programs and special events on the lands of the Museum; and

(g) to engage the services of such experts and other persons as are considered expedient.

9.—(1) Subject to the approval of the Lieutenant Governor in Council, the Minister may delegate in writing any power or duty granted to or vested in him under this Act to any officer or officers of the Museum, subject to such limitations, restrictions, conditions and requirements as may be set out in the delegation.

(2) Notwithstanding the Executive Council Act, contracts and title documents respecting any matter under the administration or control of the Minister that are entered into by any other person duly authorized to enter into them enure to the benefit of the Crown and may be enforced as if entered into with the Crown. 1975, c. 58, s. 8.

10. The fiscal year of the Museum begins on the 1st day of April in any year and ends on the 31st day of March in the following year. 1975, c. 58, s. 10.

11.—(1) Any moneys realized from donations, and the sale of property and artifacts under section 8, shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund and shall be held by the Treasurer of Ontario in trust for the Museum and section 7 of the Financial Administration Act applies to such moneys.

(2) Any moneys realized from grants shall be paid into the Consolidated Revenue Fund and, with the consent of the Treasurer of Ontario, may be held in trust for the Museum, in which case section 7 of the Financial Administration Act shall apply to such moneys.

(3) Any moneys to which subsection (1) applies or held in trust for the Museum under subsection (2) may be used by or...
on behalf of the Museum for the purpose of purchasing such property and artifacts as are consistent with the objects of the Museum. 1978, c. 89, s. 1.

12.—(1) The Minister shall make a report annually upon the affairs of the Museum and shall submit the report to the Lieutenant Governor in Council and shall then lay the report before the Assembly if it is in session or, if not, at the next ensuing session.

(2) The chief executive officer of the Museum shall make a report annually to the Minister and such other reports as the Minister from time to time may require. 1975, c. 58, s. 12.

13. The accounts and financial transactions of the Museum shall be audited annually by the Provincial Auditor. 1975, c. 58, s. 13.

14.—(1) The Lieutenant Governor in Council may make regulations,

(a) respecting the administration of the Museum;

(b) appointing an executive committee of the Board and setting out its powers and duties;

(c) regulating the meetings of the Board;

(d) regulating and governing the use by the public of the facilities, property and equipment acquired for the purposes of the Museum;

(e) requiring the payment of fees for the admission of the public or any class thereof to the Museum, and prescribing the amounts; and

(f) respecting any other matters incidental to or necessary for carrying out the objects of the Museum.

(2) Any person who contravenes any provision of the regulations is guilty of an offence and on conviction is liable to a fine of not more than $500. 1975, c. 58, s. 14.

15. The moneys required for the purposes of this Act shall be paid out of the moneys appropriated therefor by the Legislature. 1975, c. 58, s. 15.