Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Minutes

Full Authority Board of Directors

Wednesday, April 15th, 2015 – 1:15 p.m.

The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting was held at the Conservation Authority Administration Centre located on Inglis Falls Road.

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Dick Hibma called the meeting to order.

**Directors Present**
Al Barfoot, Jaden Calvert, Craig Gammie, Harley Greenfield, Shawn Greig, Dick Hibma, Marion Koepke, Cathy Little, John McGee, and Ryan Thompson

**Directors Absent** – Paul Eagleson

**Staff Present** – John Cottrill, Alison Armstrong, Doreen Robinson, John Bittorf, Tim Lanthier, Krista McKee, and Chris Hachey

2. **Approval of Agenda**

Motion No.: FA-15-033

Moved by: John McGee

Seconded by: Cathy Little

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of April 15th, 2015, with the addition of an item under 6 - Correspondence - 1) Motion from Town of the Blue Mountains Council.

Carried
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

The Directors were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at this time.

4. **Approval of Minutes**

a) Full Authority - March 11th, 2015

**Motion No.:**  
FA-15-034  

**Moved by:** Harley Greenfield  
**Seconded by:** Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of March 11th, 2015.  

Carried

5. **Business Out of Minutes**

a) Budget Resolutions

**Motion No.:**  
FA-15-035  

**Moved by:** Marion Koepke  
**Seconded by:** Al Barfoot

WHEREAS the Conservation Authorities Act provides that an Authority shall have the power to determine the portion of total benefit afforded to each municipality in establishing the annual levy, the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority resolves as follows, subject to such regulations under the Act as may be approved by the Lieutenant-Governor-in-Council:
i) That all participating municipalities be designated as benefiting for all projects included in the 2015 Operating Budget including administration and maintenance and the 2015 Capital Budget unless otherwise specified in the budget;

ii) That the Authority’s share of the cost of the program and projects included in the 2015 Budget shall be raised from all participating municipalities as part of the General Levy, unless otherwise specified in the budget;

iii) That the 2015 General Levy be apportioned to the participating municipalities in the proportion that the modified current value assessment of the whole is under the jurisdiction of the Authority, unless otherwise provided in the levy or a project;

iv) That the appropriate Authority officials be directed to advise the participating municipalities pursuant to the Conservation Authorities Act and the regulations made thereunder; to levy the said municipalities the amount of General Levy set forth in the 2015 Operating Budget, to levy the said municipalities the amount of the General Levy set forth in the 2015 Capital Budget and in the approved projects of the Authority, and any special levy attributable to any project which has been deemed to be of specific benefit to any particular municipality.

Harley Greenfield Yes
Al Barfoot Yes
Ryan Thompson Yes
Shawn Greig Yes
John McGee Yes
Jaden Calvert Yes
Cathy Little Yes
Craig Gammie No
Marion Koepke Yes
Dick Hibma Yes
Paul Eagleson Absent Carried
Motion No.: FA-15-036  Moved by: John McGee  Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt the budget as presented for the year 2015 in the amount of $3,106,925.

Harley Greenfield  Yes
Al Barfoot  Yes
Ryan Thompson  Yes
Shawn Greig  No
John McGee  Yes
Jaden Calvert  Yes
Cathy Little  Yes
Craig Gammie  No
Marion Koepke  Yes
Dick Hibma  Yes
Paul Eagleson  Absent  Carried

Motion No.: FA-15-037  Moved by: Harley Greenfield  Seconded by: Marion Koepke

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt a matching levy for the year 2015 of $71,779. as required by Ontario Regulations 139/96 and 231/97.

Harley Greenfield  Yes
Al Barfoot  Yes
Ryan Thompson  Yes
Shaw Greig  Yes
John McGee  Yes
Jaden Calvert  Yes
Cathy Little  Yes
Craig Gammie  No
Marion Koepke  Yes
Dick Hibma  Yes
Paul Eagleson  Absent  Carried
Motion No.: Moved by: Al Barfoot
FA-15-038 Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt a non-matching levy for the year **2015** of **$1,207,375**. as required by Ontario Regulations 139/96 and 231/97.

Harley Greenfield Yes
Al Barfoot Yes
Ryan Thompson Yes
Shawn Greig No
John McGee Yes
Jaden Calvert Yes
Cathy Little Yes
Craig Gammie No
Marion Koepke Yes
Dick Hibma Yes
Paul Eagleson Absent

Carried

b) Meeting Regulations

Motion No.: Moved by: Cathy Little
FA-15-039 Seconded by: Craig Gammie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors accept, as revised, the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, subject to staff bringing back clarification on definitions as outlined in this document.

The following lists the Item Number and amendments pertaining to that item in the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015.
Item #16 - Written Notice of Motion

Motion No.: FA-15-040  Moved by: Jaden Calvert
Seconded by: Craig Gammie

THAT Item 16 in the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, be amended by adding the following: If a motion is brought up without notice, if the Directors consider the item to be a matter of urgency then they can, by a 2/3 majority affirmative vote on a motion to accept the motion, thereafter consider, discuss, and vote on the motion as a matter for the current agenda. Failing a 2/3 majority vote on the acceptance on the basis of urgency then the motion and discussion would be placed on the agenda for a subsequent meeting of the Authority.

Carried

Shawn Greig was opposed to this motion.

Motion No.: FA-15-041  Moved by: Marion Koepke
Seconded by: Shawn Greig

THAT further discussion on the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, be tabled until the end of the meeting if time allows.

Carried

Craig Gammie was opposed to this motion.

6. **Correspondence**

1) Motion from Town of the Blue Mountains Council

A resolution from the Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains acknowledges receipt of the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority 2015 Budget.
Motion No.: Moved by: Marion Koepke
FA-15-042 Seconded by: Craig Gammie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive the correspondence from the Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains with regards to the GSCA 2015 Budget.

Carried

A copy of the correspondence is attached to this set of minutes.

7. **Business Items**

   a) Water Management - nothing at this time

   b) Environmental Planning

      1) Section 28 Permits - March 2015

Motion No.: Moved by: Shawn Greig
FA-15-043 Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT the list of permits under Ontario Regulation 151/06 - "Development, Interference, with Wetlands and Alterations to Shoreline and Watercourses Regulation", for March 2015, be received by the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors.

Carried

Shawn Greig thanked planning staff for their quick turn-around time on issuing permits for the Township of Chatsworth.

   c) Lands Update - nothing at this time
d) Forestry, Fish, and Wildlife

1) Annual Tree Sale - Saturday, April 25th, 2015, 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon

The Grey Sauble Conservation Annual Tree Sale is being held on Saturday, April 25th, 2015, from 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon. Volunteers are welcome.

e) Communications/Public Relations

Copies of the 2014 Annual Report for Grey Sauble Conservation were given to the Directors. Directors were given copies to distribute to their municipal offices and libraries.

f) Administration

1) Receipts and Expenses - March 2015

Motion No.: Moved by: Cathy Little
FA-15-044 Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the receipts and expenses for March 2015.

Carried

8. **In-Camera Items**- nothing at this time
9. **Chairman’s Report**

Since the last meeting Dick has led 2 teleconference meetings of the Conservation Ontario Board of Directors, and attended the Annual General Meeting for Conservation Ontario with John Cottrill, on March 30th. Dick was successful in being elected as Chair of Conservation Ontario for his 10th year. Locally, Dick joined Krista McKee at the Bluewater District Science and Technology Fair awards presentation on Wednesday, April 8th, to present the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority award to a deserving student, Kinsley Cobean of Kincardine. She is in Grade 6 this year and this is her second win in 3 years on this project dealing with erosion control products. The word is she is already planning to continue work on her project with the aim to progress to the Canada-wide competition next year! It is always a privilege for the Chairman to participate in events of this nature.

10. **Other Business**

a) Staff Meeting Minutes - March 19th, 2015

b) Foundation Minutes - March 11th, 2015

Motion No.: FA-15-045  Moved by: Al Barfoot  Seconded by: John McGee

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive the Staff Meeting Minutes of March 19th, 2015, and the Foundation minutes of March 11th, 2015.

Carried

C) Next Meeting - Wednesday, May 13th, 2015, at 1:15 p.m.
5. **Business out of Minutes - Meeting Regulations - Cont'd**

Item #5 - Review of Meeting Regulations

Motion No.: FA-15-046
Moved by: Al Barfoot
Seconded by: Marion Koepke

THAT the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, will be reviewed every fourth year beginning July to ensure the roles and functions remain current.

Carried

Item #29 - Question/Reconsideration of a Question by a Director

Motion No.: FA-15-047
Moved by: Cathy Little
Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT Item 29 in the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, be amended to read as follows: After a question has been decided, any director who voted thereon may, with a 2/3 majority vote at any subsequent regular meeting of the Authority thereafter, move an addition to the current meeting agenda for reconsideration of the question previously decided. In addition, if new information becomes available after the date of the meeting, a matter may, again with a 2/3 majority vote, be reconsidered at a future meeting as a new motion.

Carried

Item #21 - Voting/Tie Votes

Motion No.: FA-015-048
Moved by: Al Barfoot
Seconded by: Jaden Calvert

THAT Item 21 in the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, be amended as follows: At any meeting, each accredited director is entitled to one vote. In the event of a tie vote, the motion is lost.

Carried

Marion Koepke was opposed to this motion.
Upon no further amending motions being brought forward, Motion FA-15-039 is now to be decided.

Motion No.: Moved by: Cathy Little  
FA-15-039 Secended by: Craig Gammie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors accept, as revised, the Meeting Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, subject to staff bringing back clarification on definitions as outlined in this document.

Carried

5 c) Business Out of Minutes - Administrative Guidelines

Motion No.: Moved by: Ryan Thompson  
FA-15-049 Secended by: Shawn Greig

THAT the Administrative Guidelines dated April 1st, 2015, be adopted.

Motion No.: Moved by: Marion Koepke  
FA-15-050 Secended by: Craig Gammie

THAT amendments be made in the Administrative Guidelines dated April 1st, 2015, clarifying definitions in the Introduction.

Carried

Any reference to Ministry of Natural Resources, should be changed to Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry. This is due to the name change by the Ministry.
Motion No.: FA-15-051
Moved by: John McGee
Seconded by: Craig Gammie

THAT Motion FA-15-049 and further amendments thereto to the Administration Regulations dated April 1st, 2015, be tabled until a future meeting of the Authority.

Carried

Directors are advised to submit their questions and comments pertaining to the current draft of the Administrative Guidelines to the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority office, attention John Cottrill, at their earliest opportunity.

** Deleted—Upon no further amending motions being brought forward, Motion FA-15-049 is now to be decided.

Motion No.: FA-15-049
Moved by: Ryan Thompson
Seconded by: Shawn Greig

THAT the Administrative Guidelines dated April 1st, 2015, be adopted, as revised.

Carried

11. Adjournment

On motion by Craig Gammie, the meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Dick Hibma, Chair

Doreen Robinson, Administrative Assistant