

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Minutes Full Authority Board of Directors Wednesday, November 12th, 2014 – 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.

Call to Order

Chair Dick Hibma called the meeting to order.

Directors Present

Dick Hibma, Dave Clarke, Paul Eagleson, Judy Gay, Jan Chamberlain, Bob Lennox, Terry McKay, Harley Greenfield, Paul McKenzie, and Mike Poetker

<u>Directors Absent</u> – Michael Martin

<u>Staff Present</u> – John Cottrill, Doreen Robinson, Alison Armstrong, John Bittorf, Chris Hachey, Krista McKee, and Andy Sorensen

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Terry McKay

FA-14-099

Seconded by:

Judy Gay

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of November 12th, 2014, with the following addition - Under Item 8 - Administration - add Item f) 3) Draft 2015 Budget.

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. <u>Deputation - 1:15 p.m. to 2:00 p.m. - Andrea Robertson and Mike</u> Konopka of TD re: Investment Strategy for the Authority

Mike Konopka, Portfolio Manager, Private Client Group, TD Wealth, Private Investment Counsel, reviewed with the Board the proposed asset allocation for Grey Sauble Conservation's Long Term Funds for the Authority's portfolio. Andrea Robertson, Vice President, Not-for-Profit Specialist, TD, who works with charitable clients will attend a future Board meeting. GSCA staff will work with TD staff to complete the Investment Strategy and begin fund allocations early in 2015.

5. <u>Approval of Minutes</u>

a) Full Authority - October 8th, 2014

Motion No.: Moved by: Bob Lennox FA-14-100 Seconded by: Judy Gay

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of October 8th, 2014.

Carried

6. Business Out of Minutes – nothing at this time

7. Correspondence

a) Letter from Fisheries and Oceans, Canada re: Recreational Fisheries
Conservation Partnerships Program: Removal of Haines Dam on Beaver
River

A project for the Removal of Haines Dam on the Beaver River was submitted to Fisheries and Oceans, Canada, on behalf of Grey Sauble Conservation. The project has been approved for funding and Grey Sauble Conservation could be eligible for an amount up to \$10,000 for 2014-15 and up to \$142,000 for 2015-16. A contribution agreement would need to be signed first.

8. Business Items

- a) Water Management nothing at this time
- b) Environmental Planning
 - 1) Section 28 Permits October 2014

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Harley Greenfield

FA-14-101

Seconded by:

Mike Poetker

THAT the list of permits under Ontario Regulation 151/06 - "Development, Interference, with Wetlands and Alterations to Shoreline and Watercourses Regulation", for the period October 1st to October 31st, 2014, be received by the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors.

Carried

c) Lands Management - nothing at this time

d) Forestry, Fish, and Wildlife

Cam Bennett, Forestry Technician, reviewed with the Board the following sawlog and fuelwood forestry tenders received.

Rocklyn Creek Management Area – Compartment 136-1

Lot 30, Concession 9, Municipality of Grey Highlands (formerly Euphrasia Twp), Grey County. Marked Area: 50 acres

Volume Tendered: Sawlogs – 47,932 fbm Fuelwood – 75 Full Cords Estimated Value: Sawlogs – \$40,480.35 Fuelwood – 2,250.00

Total Estimate: \$42,730.35

Tenders Received

Contractor	Fuelwood	Sawlogs	Total Bid
Complete Woodlot Management	2,700.00	25,000.00	27,700.00

Rocklyn Creek Management Area – Compartment 136-2

Lot 30, Concession 9, Municipality of Grey Highlands (formerly Euphrasia Twp), Grey County. Marked Area: 3 acres

Volume Tendered: Sawlogs – 7,213 fbm Fuelwood – 11 Full Cords

Estimated Value: Sawlogs – \$2524.55 Fuelwood - \$330.00

Total Estimate: \$2,854.55

Tenders Received

Contractor	Fuelwood	Sawlogs	Total Bid
Complete Woodlot Management	450.00	1,650.00	2,100.00

Cedar Tender - Spey River Management Area – Compartment 153

North Part Lot 3, Concession 10, Municipality of Meaford (formerly Sydenham Twp), Grey County. Marked Area: 7 acres;

Volume Tendered: Cedar – 55 Full Cords; Estimated Value: Cedar - \$2,750.00

Tenders Received

Contractor	Total Bid
Moggie Valley Timber	7,000.00
Hayes Timber	6,957.50
Blacksheep Fencing	5,775.00

Motion No.: Moved by: Bob Lennox FA-14-102 Seconded by: Dave Clarke

THAT the sawlog, fuelwood, and cedar tenders be awarded as follows:

THAT Grey Sauble Conservation Authority not award the tender for Rocklyn Creek Management Area-Compartment 136-1 to Complete Woodlot Management for their total bid of \$27,700.00, and that the Authority retender Compartment 136-1 in the spring of 2015.

AND FURTHER, THAT Grey Sauble Conservation Authority not award the tender for Rocklyn Creek Management Area-Compartment 136-2 to Complete Woodlot Management for their total bid of \$2,100.00, and that the Authority retender Compartment 136-2 in the spring of 2015.

AND FURTHER, THAT Grey Sauble Conservation Authority award the tender for Spey River Management Area-Compartment 153 to Moggie Valley Timber for their total bid of \$7,000.00, subject to signing the agreement.

Carried

Cam advised that tenders will be advertised for pine bushes at various Forestry compartments in the near future.

Motion No.: Moved by: Jan Chamberlain FA-14-103 Seconded by: Paul McKenzie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors authorize the Chairman and the C.A.O. to open forestry pine tenders received and award the tenders to the highest bid tenders received that meet specifications and are in line with projected estimated values by Authority staff.

Carried

- e) Communications/Public Relations
 - 1) WREN & DEER Outdoor Education Programs Report

Background:

<u>The WREN</u> (Watershed Resources Education Network) Program, a partnership between the SVCA and the GSCA, has been in place since 1994.

Around 6,000 local students from grades 2 through 12 have participated annually, with topics ranging from aquatic habitats to forest ecosystems and watershed health to soil studies.

The programs take place at either the SVCA Education Centre or at GSCA sites, depending on the school locations.

The schools are invoiced for the WREN program costs, with two exceptions: the SVCA staff travel costs, and a uniform subsidy to the SVCA, both of which the GSCA currently pays.

The fees for the WREN program are as follows:

- 78% staff wages/benefits
- 16% equipment
- 6% maintenance and facilities

<u>The DEER</u> (Discover Energized Environmental Resources) Program began in 1998 with funding assistance from Bruce Power. In 2006, the DEER program was expanded to include schools in the GSCA area. Bruce Power covers all the costs of this program, including bookings, program fees and mileage.

Recent Discussions:

In 1999, a letter from the SVCA to the GSCA outlined cost details related to a uniform subsidy and travel costs to be paid by the GSCA to the SVCA. No payment was made to the GSCA for the use of outside facilities (Bognor Marsh and the GSCA Administration Centre grounds) and the indoor meeting room.

In 2014, the GSCA staff approached the SVCA to review the current agreement.

Based on our discussions, the following changes are suggested.

1. That the SVCA pay the GSCA 6% of the Program costs to cover maintenance and facility costs, beginning in January 2015 for both the WREN and DEER programs that take place at the GSCA sites.

- 2. That the travel costs of SVCA staff be passed on to the schools, rather than being paid by the GSCA.
- 3. That the GSCA discontinue the uniform subsidy to the SVCA.

And further, that an updated agreement be drafted to reflect these changes.

Motion No.: Moved by: Jan Chamberlain FA-14-104 Seconded by: Mike Poetker

- 1. That the SVCA and the GSCA continue their partnership to provide the WREN and DEER education programs.
- 2. That GSCA staff be authorized to prepare a revised agreement to reflect the above noted changes in the terms of the agreement.

Carried

- f) Administration
 - 1) Receipts and Expenses October 2014

Motion No.: Moved by: Mike Poetker FA-14-105 Seconded by: Harley Greenfield

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the receipts and expenses for October 2014.

Carried

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2) Year to Date 2014 Budget - 3rd Quarter

Motion No.: Moved by: Dave Clarke FA-14-106 Seconded by: Bob Lennox

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive the 3rd quarter report (up to September 30th) of the 2014 budget.

Carried

Amendment to minutes - Addition of Item 8 f 3)

3) Draft 2015 Budget

Motion No.: Moved by: Bob Lennox FA-14-107 Seconded by: Paul McKenzie

THAT the first draft of the 2015 Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Budget be received by the Board of Directors as information;
AND FURTHER, THAT this draft be forwarded to Watershed Municipalities.

Carried

9. <u>Chairman's Report</u>

Chair Hibma thanked Dave Clarke for being the Chair in his absence. Deepest sympathy to Jan Chamberlain in the loss of her daughter. To all Board Members, Dick expressed his gratitude and thanks for all their service. Dick will be applying for the Owen Sound member at large position on the Authority Board. November 18th to November 20th is the A D Latornell Symposium. The meeting with the Province went well. Interested in the changing climate, flood damage, and water management. December 8th is the next Conservation Ontario meeting.

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- 2) Kemble Mountain Area has grown over in trees. Some trees need cut.
- 3) Jones Falls Can't see the Falls for the trees. Bob considers this his number one priority.
- 4) Epping Lookout This area needs brushing as it has also grown over in trees.

Bob recommended that an action list be brought to each monthly Board of Directors meeting.

- c) Wall at Eugenia Falls Someone continually smashed into the wall at Eugenia Falls with a truck. The incident was reported to the O.P.P. and was featured on Crime Stoppers. Bloodworth Masonry has repaired the wall.
- 11. In Camera Items- nothing at this time

12. Adjournment

On motion by Terry McKay, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Dick Hibma, Chairman	Doreen Robinson,
	Administrative Assistant