

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Minutes

Full Authority Board of Directors Wednesday, June 10th, 2015 – 2:45 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

Jaden Calvert, Paul Eagleson, Craig Gammie, Harley Greenfield, Shawn Greig, Dick Hibma, Marion Koepke, and Ryan Thompson

<u>Directors Absent</u> – Al Barfoot, Cathy Little and John McGee

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

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Marion Koepke

FA-15-061

Seconded by:

Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of June 10th, 2015, with the following additions:

Under Item 10 - Other Business - Item d) Biennial Tour;

Under Item 7 a) Water Management - 2) Operation of Rankin Dam.

Carried

3. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest</u>

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 - May 13th, 2015

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Jaden Calvert

FA-15-062

Seconded by:

Shawn Greig

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of May 13th, 2015.

Carried

5. Business Out of Minutes

a) Distribution for Information of 2014 Audit Report

Copies of the 2014 Audit Report for Grey Sauble Conservation Authority as prepared by Collins Barrow were given to the Board of Directors.

6. Correspondence

a) Letter from Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound re: election of Dick Hibma as Chair of Conservation Ontario

A letter from Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, congratulated Dick Hibma on his election as the Chair of Conservation Ontario for his tenth year.

b) Letter from Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound re: Forest Stewardship Council certification

A letter from Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, congratulated Grey Sauble Conservation on achieving Forest Stewardship Council certification through the Eastern Ontario Model Forest's Forest Management.

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Marion Koepke

FA-15-063

Seconded by:

Jaden Calvert

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive the correspondence from Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound.

Carried

7. Business Items

- a) Water Management
 - 1) Tender for Haines Dam Decommissioning

John Bittorf advised the Directors that the tenders for the Decommissioning of the Haines Dam closed on June 3rd. Two tenders were received, but both bids were too high in price. The contractors felt that there were too many unknowns in the tender documents. Grey Sauble will not proceed with this project this year. The project will be redesigned with application being made to the Federal and Provincial governments for funding. Grey Sauble staff will meet with the engineer to discuss a different approach and see what the Province will allow the Authority to do. The Authority's share of project costs will be from the existing dam reserve.

2) Operation of Rankin Dam

Discussion was held on the operation of the Rankin Dam. Craig Gammie had been approached by the Boat Lake Ratepayers Association with regards to their concerns on water levels. John Cottrill advised that the Rankin Dam is an old structure and that concerns from residents in the area have been on-going. The Authority has

done what they can to manage the dam. John Bittorf advised that he and Jason Traynor have met with the Boat Lake Ratepayers Association in past and the Ratepayers were shown how the dam went in. The dam is not an easy dam to put in and usually enough water flows in and out of that lake that it maintains itself. John Bittorf also advised that he e-mails the Ratepayers on a regular basis. Craig Gammie will contact ratepayers to determine if a further meeting is required.

- b) Environmental Planning
 - 1) Section 28 Permits May 2015

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Jaden Calvert

FA-15-064

Seconded by:

Ryan Thompson

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

Carried

2) Request to waive commenting fee for Bruce Trail Conservancy in Township of Chatsworth

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Jaden Calvert

FA-15-065

Seconded by:

Ryan Thompson

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors waive the \$230.00 consent application fee for the Bruce Trail Conservancy for property located at East Part of Lot 1, Concession 11, EGR, Township of Chatsworth.

Carried

Shawn Greig and Craig Gammie were opposed to this motion.

Authority staff will contact other Conservation Authorities to see if they have a policy on waiving fees.

- c) Lands Update nothing at this time
- d) Forestry, Fish, and Wildlife nothing at this time
- e) Communications/Public Relations nothing at this time
- f) Administration
 - 1) Receipts and Expenses May 2015

Motion No.: Moved by: Paul Eagleson FA-15-066 Seconded by: Marion Koepke

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

Carried

2) Administrative Guidelines

Motion No.: Moved by: Craig Gammie FA-15-067 Seconded by: Ryan Thompson

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors adopt the Administrative Guidelines as revised April 15th, 2015.

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Craig Gammie

FA-15-068

Seconded by:

Paul Eagleson

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors revise the Administrative Guidelines dated April 15th, 2015, as follows:

Under Powers and Duties of Authority Officers - Item #10 - Chair - Remove Item #1 - "Direct the Chief Administrative Officer in the operation and administration of the Authority and, in particular, in such matters as have not been decided by regulation or by resolution of the Authority";

Under Chief Administrative Officer (General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer) Item #12 - Amend to read "The Chief Administrative Officer of the Authority under the direction of the Board of Directors, shall be responsible for"

Motion Lost

Motion No.:

Moved by:

Craig Gammie

FA-15-067

Seconded by:

Ryan Thompson

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors adopt the Administrative Guidelines as revised April 15th, 2015.

Carried

Craig Gammie was opposed to this motion.

3) Meeting Regulations

The Meeting Regulations with revisions made at the April 15th, 2015, meeting were presented as information only.

8. In-Camera Items - nothing at this time

9. Chairman's Report

The following is a report from Dick Hibma, Chair, GSCA.

Since our meeting on May 13th, I have participated in a number of teleconferences pertaining to the Strategic Planning for Conservation Ontario, and more specifically the governance and structure of the organization.

With respect to the coordinated provincial review that is currently underway of the Niagara Escarpment Plan, the Oak Ridges Moraine Conservation Plan, the Greenbelt Plan, and the Growth Plan for the Greater Golden Horseshoe, I have been part of a group effort doing presentations to the Advisory Panel chaired by David Crombie on the Coordinated Review of the four plans. In addition a series of meetings were held at Queens Park with a number of MPPs, and Opposition party critics for the various ministries involved in the review of the four plans to provide input and perspective to the review.

Locally, with CAO John and Community Relations Coordinator Krista, presentations have been made to 6 of the 8 member municipalities to provide the municipal councils with an overview of the GSCA programs. The remaining 2 councils will be covered prior to our meeting in August.

Further, this past Sunday, I had the opportunity to join with a number of Bruce Trail supporters in hiking a portion of the Bruce Trail in the Hoggs Falls area east of Flesherton to mark their designation of this portion of trail as the Sendero Pacifico - BTC Friendship trail in partnership with the Pacific Slope Trail in Costa Rica. The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority and our staff were noted as the most favourite Conservation Authority to work with along the length of the Niagara Escarpment by the Bruce Trail Conservancy.

10. Other Business

a) Foundation Minutes - May 13th, 2015

Motion No.: Moved by: Jaden Calvert FA-15-069 Seconded by: Ryan Thompson

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive the Foundation minutes of May 13th, 2015.

Carried

b) Bus Tour date to be confirmed - September 14th - 18th

A date during the week of September 14th - 18th is to be scheduled for a bus tour of the Grey Sauble Conservation Watershed. The tour would include Grey Sauble Conservation Board of Directors, municipal staff and council, and Grey Sauble Authority Staff. September 14th, 17th, and 18th are conflicts in various schedules.

- c) Next Meeting no meeting in July; Wednesday, August 12th, 2015 at 1:15 p.m.
- d) Biennial Tour September 20th to 23rd, 2015

After reviewing the Biennial Tour schedule with the Directors, only Dick Hibma is available to attend. John Cottrill will check with the Directors absent at today's meeting to see if they would like to attend the Tour.

11. Adjournment

On motion by Shawn Greig, the meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

Dick Hibma, Chair Doreen Robinson

Administrative Assistant