

# GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY AGM MINUTES

Full Authority Board of Directors Friday, March 1st, 2019, at 1:20 p.m.

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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 Cathy Little called the meeting to order.

<u>Directors Present</u> - Dwight Burley, Sue Carleton, Scott Greig, Marion Koepke, Cathy Little, Scott Mackey, Andrea Matrosovs, Paul McKenzie, and Paul Vickers

<u>Directors Absent</u> – Ryan Greig and Harley Greenfield

<u>Staff Present</u> – Sonya Skinner, Doreen Robinson, Vicki Rowsell, Karen Gillan, Alison Armstrong, Jason Traynor, John Bittorf, Gloria Dangerfield, Tim Lanthier, Rebecca Ferguson, Mike Fry, and Carl Seider

# 2. <u>Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest</u>

The Directors were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. Cathy Little and Sue Carleton declared a pecuniary interest on the receipts for mileage cheques they had each received. Paul Vickers declared a pecuniary interest on the Agricultural Tenders Award item, upon which he had submitted a bid.

Bill Walker, MPP, Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Minister of Government and Consumer Services, brought greetings and congratulated Grey Sauble Conservation on their AGM. Bill advised that his door is always open to us and that he is quite active in his new portfolio.

Marion Koepke asked Bill Walker to extend the Board's appreciation for the meeting with Minister Phillips, and asked for help in meeting the fiscal challenges of providing green space for Ontarians from more populated areas and for his support in finding more funding for Conservation Authorities.

## 3. Remarks from the Chair

Cathy Little welcomed the guests and introduced herself. She gave a brief overview of the history of Conservation Authorities, including that Conservation Authorities are still receiving the same funding from the MNRF as they did in 1996, which for GSCA is \$71,779.

## 4. <u>Introduction of Guests</u>

The following guests were in attendance and thanked Grey Sauble for a job well done and the communications between their organizations:

Dick Hibma – Retired Board Member, Elwood Moore – Retired Board Member, Ian Boddy, Mayor, City of Owen Sound, Doug Hevenor – CAO – NVCA, Wayne Brohman – CAO, SVCA, Kim Wingrove – CAO, County of Grey, Brian Murray – Chair, Inglis Falls Arboretum Alliance, Don Sankey – Chair GSC Foundation, and Jan Middleton – Secretary of Georgian Bay Garden Club. Mayor Paul McQueen of the Municipality of Grey Highlands had brought a plaque that was given to the municipality many years ago in celebration of the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Conservation Authority, an event which was remembered by a longstanding retired Board Director in attendance, Elwood Moore.

Councillor Anthony Chegahno, Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation had brought greetings though he had to leave to address another priority.

Shawn Carey, MNRF, was unable to attend but forwarded his greetings which were read to attendees.

Cathy Little thanked staff for all their hard work. A presentation was then made to Dick Hibma for all his years of service and dedication. Dick Hibma thanked all in attendance and highlighted the attendance and longstanding service of Retired Board Member Elwood Moore.

# 5. <u>2018 Highlights and Accomplishments and Upcoming Plans</u>

Sonya Skinner made a presentation on the 2018 Highlights and Accomplishments and the Upcoming Plans for 2019, based on GSCA's Strategic Plan, focusing on its five goals: 1) Better Monitor and Manage Flood Risk; 2) Enhance GSC Land Management and Natural Heritage Preservation; 3) Support the Development of Watershed Plans with Municipalities; 4) Improve Water Quality; 5) Strengthen Environmental Education and Communication.

# 6. <u>Municipal/GSCA Invasive Species Pilot Report-Back</u>

Rebecca Ferguson, Stewardship Technician, presented a report back on the 2018 Invasive Species Pilot Project with municipalities. This program was a coordinated approach to understand and address invasive species throughout the watershed and provided assistance and expertise to municipalities. Each municipality selected education, mapping and/or control services from GSCA to meet their own needs.

GSCA staff mapped invasive species on municipal roads and natural areas, and documented results with georeferenced photo points, which are available to municipalities and can be jointly updated. The most common invasive species were phragmites, wild chervil, European buckthorn periwinkle and wild parsnip. However, current populations are manageable if action is taken.

This pilot also included phragmites control using a STIHL long reach hedge trimmer, and Grey County provided funding for the delivery of Invasive Species mapping on their trails and properties.

Recommendations include that Municipalities and GSCA use a straightforward evaluation tool developed through this pilot to evaluate their current maturity in invasive species management, which looks at their mapping and knowledge of invasive species, the existence of supportive policies and bylaws, a clean equipment protocol, the availability of communications resources for landowners, staff training, and partnerships between municipalities, Conservation Authorities, the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry and the Ministry of Transportation.

The report will be circulated to municipalities, and GSCA will continue to provide advice upon request, and to encourage coordinated mapping updates and eradication efforts.

Discussion included the importance of the province finalizing it's review of a herbicide to confirm its safety for use over water on phragmites.

# 7. <u>Guest Speaker: Rob Messervey – The evolution of CA's and their critical role now and into the future as our leading conservation agencies</u>

Rob Messervey, made a presentation on Conservation Authorities, starting with the genesis of authorities, Conservation Authority Formation from 1946 – 1985, Conservation Authority Restructuring 1996, looking forward into the 2020's. Rob also reviewed the scope and benefits of native plants and biodiversity.

Dick Hibma thanked Rob and presented him with a gift of appreciation.

# 8. i) <u>Election of Officers</u>

a) Appointment of Chair Pro Tem

Motion No.: Moved by: Sue Carleton FA-19-011 Seconded by: Paul McKenzie

THAT Wayne Brohman be appointed as Chair Pro Tem for the 2019 election of officers.

Carried

Cathy Little vacated her Chair.

b) Review of Voting Procedures

Wayne Brohman reviewed the voting procedures and asked if there were any questions. All positions are vacant.

c) Appointment of Scrutineers

Brian Murray and Carl Seider were appointed scrutineers.

d) Election of 2019 Chair

Paul McKenzie nominated Cathy Little for the position of Chair for 2019.

Wayne Brohman called three times for any further nominations.

Motion No.: Moved by: Scott Mackey FA-19-012 Seconded by: Dwight Burley

THAT nominations for the election of Chair for 2019 close.

#### Carried

Cathy Little accepted her nomination for Chair and thanked Paul McKenzie for the nomination. Wayne Brohman declared Cathy Little as Chair for 2019.

e) Election of 2019 Vice Chair

Scott Greig nominated Marion Koepke for the position of Vice Chair.

Wayne Brohman called three times for any further nominations.

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-013 Seconded by: Sue Carleton

#### THAT the nominations for the election of Vice Chair for 2019 close.

#### Carried

Marion Koepke accepted her nomination for Vice Chair and thanked Scott Greig for the nomination.

Wayne Brohman declared Marion Koepke as Vice Chair for 2019.

The Chair and Vice Chair assumed their new positions.

ii) Remarks by 2019 Chair Elect and Vice Chair Elect

Both Cathy and Marion stated that they look forward to 2019 with continued support from the Board and Staff and they both share respect for the staff.

iii) Appointments to Committees

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-014 Seconded by: Scott Mackey

THAT the following Committee-related appointments be made for 2019.

Conservation Foundation – Marion Koepke, Sue Carleton, and Cathy Little; Forestry Committee – Andrea Matrosovs, Dwight Burley, Scott Mackey, and Paul Vickers:

**Arboretum Alliance – Brian Murray and Sue Carleton;** 

Conservation Ontario Council Voting Reps – Cathy Little, Marion Koepke, and Sonya Skinner;

Indigenous Relationship Committee – Sue Carleton, Paul McKenzie, Scott Greig, Dwight Burley; Serenity Morton, Sonya Skinner, Tim Lanthier and Vicki Rowsell; Source Protection Region Management Committee – Cathy Little, Scott Greig, and Sonya Skinner;

#### Carried

Harley Greenfield and Ryan Greig will be asked whether they wish to be on committees. Andrea Matrosovs indicated that she will also maintain linkages with the Beaver River Watershed Initiative.

The Chair called a 10 minute break.

# 9. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No.: Moved by: Andrea Matrosovs

FA-19-015 Seconded by: Scott Mackey

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Agenda of March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019.

Carried

# 10. Adoption of Minutes

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-016 Seconded by: Paul McKenzie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the minutes of January 23rd, 2019.

Carried

## 11. Consent Agenda

Motion No. Moved by: Marion Koepke FA-19-017 Seconded by: Scott Greig

THAT in consideration of the Consent Agenda Items listed on the March 1st, 2019, agenda, the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receives the following items: 1) Environmental Planning - Section 28 Permits – January 2019; 2) Administration - Receipts and Expenses – January 2019; 3) Correspondence - i) Letter from Minister of Natural Resources & Forestry re: Funding for Southern Georgian Bay Coastal Initiative; ii) Letter to Minister of Municipal Affairs & Housing re: Ontario's Proposed Housing Supply Action Plan; iii) Letter/Resolution from Twp of Chatsworth re: 2019 Budget; iv) E-mail/Resolution from Municipality of Arran-Elderslie re: 2019 Budget; v) Letter from Ministry of Environment, Conservation & Parks re: Indian Creek Watershed; 4) Minutes – Foundation – January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019;

Carried

#### 12. Business out of minutes

i) Proposed 2019 Budget and 4 Budget Resolutions

**Budget Motion #1** 

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-018 Seconded by: Sue Carleton

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 <u>2019</u> Operating Budget including administration and maintenance and the <u>2019</u> 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 <u>2019</u> Budget shall be raised from all participating municipalities as part of the General Levy, unless otherwise specified in the budget;
- iii) That the 2019 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 2019 Operating Budget, to levy the said municipalities the amount of the General Levy set forth in the 2019 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.

Carried

## **Budget Motion #2**

Motion No.: Moved by: Scott Greig FA-19-019 Seconded by: Scott Mackey

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt the budget as presented for the year 2019 in the amount of \$3,316,036.

Carried

#### **Budget Motion #3**

Motion No.: Moved by: Sue Carleton FA-19-020 Seconded by: Dwight Burley

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt a matching levy for the year 2019 of \$71,779.00 as required by Ontario Regulations 139/96 and 231/97.

#### Carried

#### **Budget Motion #4**

Motion No.: Moved by: Marion Koepke FA-19-021 Seconded by: Scott Greig

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority adopt a non-matching levy for the year 2019 of \$1,316,777 as required by Ontario Regulations 139/96 and 231/97.

#### **Recorded Vote:**

Dwight Burley – yes
Sue Carleton – yes
Harley Greenfield – absent
Ryan Greig – absent
Scott Greig – yes
Marion Koepke – yes
Cathy Little – yes
Scott Mackey – yes
Andrea Matrosovs – yes
Paul McKenzie – yes
Paul Vickers – yes

#### Carried

## 13. Business Items

- a) Water Management nothing at this time
- b) Environmental Planning nothing at this time
- c) Lands Update
  - 1) Agricultural Tenders Award

Paul Vickers left the meeting for discussion under this item.

At the August 29, 2018 meeting of the Full Authority Board, Lands and Habitats Staff presented a Review of GSC Agricultural Leases Recommendation Report to the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors supported the Staff recommendation to re-tender seven (7) agricultural properties, or portions thereof, for lease for agricultural purposes.

The tender process was successful with multiple bids being received for each compartment.

On February 1, 2019, the tender bids were opened by a committee consisting of the Board of Director's Chair, the Chief Administrative Officer, the Lands and Habitats

Coordinator, and the Administrative Assistant. The results of the tender opening were posted publicly on GSCA's website, and a summary was provided to the Board.

Upon opening of the bids, the committee reviewed the applications and ranked them according to the monetary bid values. The successful bids were higher than the former lease amounts for all properties, and the highest bids for six of the seven properties were from GSCA's existing tenants (though some changed properties).

Staff are recommending that the highest bidder be accepted for each property, resulting in an increase of annual lease revenue of approximately \$18,500.

Staff will contact each successful candidate to inform them of the decision of the Board and will move forward with finalizing the lease agreements, and contact each unsuccessful candidate to thank them for their interest.

Motion No.: Moved by: Paul McKenzie FA-19-022 Seconded by: Dwight Burley

WHEREAS, The GSC Board of Directors has directed staff to tender several agricultural properties, or portions thereof, for lease;

AND WHEREAS Staff have carried out the tender process and completed the tender opening;

THAT the Board of Directors accept the Staff recommendation to award the tenders to the highest bidder for each property as presented; AND,

THAT the Board of Directors direct Staff to enter into a lease agreement with highest bidder for each property; AND,

THAT should the chosen tender and lease agreement be rejected by any selected applicant, the Board of Directors authorize Staff to enter into an agreement with the next highest bidder.

#### Carried

Discussion included questions about the acreage and previous lease prices of the parcels, and what standards GSC has for environmental stewardship and spraying. Tim Lanthier advised that staff can provide further property information, and GSC would not have standards for the lessees' stewardship or spraying.

# d) Forestry

# 1) Forest Product Tender Awards

Per the Forest Products Tendering Policy, GSCA recently publicly tendered the following sustainable forest harvest contracts, which were opened by a Committee including the GSCA Chair, the CAO, the Forestry Coordinator, and Forestry Technicians. The shaded row indicates the highest bids for the following tenders and are recommended by staff for award:

The following is a summary of tenders received for the areas as listed.

Stand Improvement Tender – GSC-18-04 - Little Germany Management Area – Compartment 89 - Lot 36, Concession 14, Municipality of Grey Highlands (formerly Artemesia Twp) - Grey County -Marked Area: 20 acres; Volume Tendered: Sawlogs – 21,035 board feet Fuelwood – 46 cords

#### **Tenders Received**

Contractor	Total Bid
Complete Woodlot Management	\$16,500.00
Page Logging	\$15,664.00

Pine Thinning Tender – GSC-18-06 - Little Germany Management Area – Compartment 89 - Lot 36, Concession 14, Municipality of Grey Highlands (formerly Artemesia Twp) - Grey County - Marked Area: 10 acres - Volume Tendered: Red Pine (95%) White Pine (5%) – 114 cords

#### **Tenders Received**

Contractor	Total Bid
Moggie Valley Timber	\$5,750.00

Pine Thinning Tender – GSC-18-03 - Keppel Forest Management Area – Compartment 78 - Lot 7, Concession 19, Township of Georgian Bluffs (formerly Keppel Twp) - Grey County - Marked Area: 21 acres - Volume Tendered: White Pine – 140 cords

#### Tenders Received

Contractor	Total Bid
Liverance Lumber	\$6,300.00

Roger Hayes	\$3,920.00

Stand Improvement Tender – GSC-18-07 - Massie Hills Management Area – Compartment 108 - Lot 4 & 5, Concession 7, Municipality of Meaford (formerly Sydenham Twp) - Grey County - Marked Area: 60 acres - Volume Tendered: Sawlogs – 7,632 board feet Fuelwood – 222 cords

#### Tenders Received

Contractor	Total Bid
Complete Woodlot Management	\$8,850.00
Timber Horse Logging	\$5,080.00

Motion No.: Moved by: Marion Koepke FA-19-023 Seconded by: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors award the following forestry tenders:

Stand Improvement tender for Little Germany Management Area – Compartment 89 – to Complete Woodlot Management for their total bid of \$16,500, subject to signing the agreement;

Pine thinning tender for Little Germany Management Area – Compartment 89 - to Moggie Valley Timber for their total bid of \$5,750, subject to signing the agreement;

Stand Improvement tender for Keppel Forest Management Area – Compartment 78 – to Liverance Lumber for their total bid of \$6,300, subject to signing the agreement;

Stand Improvement tender for Massie Hills Management Area – Compartment 108 – to Complete Woodlot Management for their total bid of \$8,850, subject to signing the agreement.

#### Carried

# 2) Forest Stewardship Council Certification

In the fall of 2014, after much research and discussion GSCA forests became certified under the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC). This decision was driven by the expectation of higher prices for FSC-certified timber products, and that the public would want independent assurance that our forests are managed to high and sustainable standards.

In 2017, the softwood mill that had promoted and encouraged GSCA to become certified left the certification program. To date, there are no other local mills that are certified, breaking the FSC Chain of Custody and GSCA's opportunity for increased revenues.

Residents within the GSCA watershed also seem unaware of FSC certification and what it means to be certified. The GSCA Forest Management Policy, which governs GSCA's forest management activities already ensures that the forest management activities used by GSCA meet or exceed requirements set out by FSC.

There are other certified forests in the local area including Grey and Bruce counties as well as private woodlots. Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority has recently decided to discontinue their certification.

The total fees paid in 2018 were \$9,269. This fee would have been expected to decrease in 2019 to \$6,772. However, no funds were included in GSCA's proposed 2019 budget. It is possible to recertify in the future.

Discussion included that one current Director was not supportive of adopting FSC in 2014, and about how many local mills are now in the area. Mike Fry indicated there are less than 10 mills.

Motion No.: Moved by: Paul McKenzie FA-19-024 Seconded by: Scott Mackey

WHEREAS Grey Sauble has been a member of the Forest Stewardship Council (FSC) certification since 2014;

AND WHEREAS the original reasoning for joining was the potential for increased revenues from the sale of timber products to FSC Chain of Custody (CoC) mills;

AND FURTHER, WHEREAS these mills have opted to discontinue their membership FSC CoC resulting in a lack of increased revenues;

AND FURTHER, WHEREAS the expected annual membership fee is \$6,772.20 which would be taken from reserves;

AND FURTHER, WHEREAS no further benefits have been realized through FSC membership;

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors direct staff to not renew the FSC membership in 2019.

#### Carried

e) Communications/Public Relations

1) Responses to Discussion with Minister Phillips, MECP

On February 7, 2019 Cathy Little, Marion Koepke, Scott Greig and Sonya Skinner attended a meeting at Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority offices with the Minister of Environment, Conservation and Parks, as well as Minister of Education Lisa Thompson, who is also the local MPP of that area and whom sponsored the discussion. Maitland Valley and Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authorities also participated.

Cathy presented an overview of GSCA and our challenges and opportunities, as did the other Conservation Authorities (CAs). All attendees individually articulated their key priorities.

The Minister, MECP made several comments, including that:

- There is a commitment to more formally embark on a conversation about CA's roles and mandates, and to look at the Conservation Authorities Act Regulations that have not been enacted.
- Their government is looking for opportunities and they are hearing that the development community is frustrated.
- They are concerned about the governance and organizational issues that were highlighted by the Provincial Auditor at the Niagara Region Conservation Authority, though he thinks CAs are generally well-governed.
- He is concerned about overlaps in service, though when questioned he understood
  that some municipalities have voluntarily entered Memorandums of Agreement with
  CAs to deliver Natural Heritage comments on Planning Act applications and that
  these are not an overlap.
- He is committed to the delivery of his Made-in-Ontario Environmental Plan, which is readily available online.

He verbally mentioned that he is seeking input on three questions:

- Suggestions on how to do a provincial assessment of our capacity to deal with climate change. They are committed to investing in capacity and understand the importance of modelling.
- 2) How to have a balance between economic development and the environment, including a clarification of the regulatory accountabilities. They are open to removing unnecessary requirements. If there is duplication it is a problem.
- 3) How to have more people access parks and nature, particularly new Canadians as integration makes our society work and balancing this with environmental impacts. David Smith from Peterborough will be leading this work. They are interested in how we can get more people to visit parks and access the outdoors, and to understand issues related to access.

The press release says "MPP Smith will provide strategic advice to the Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Rod Phillips, on how to improve programs and increase revenue opportunities of Ontario Parks. His work will support the target outlined in the made-in-Ontario environment plan of increasing the number of Ontarians visiting provincial parks by 10 per cent or approximately one million more visitors while protecting the natural environment."

These questions have also been provided by staff to Conservation Ontario for consideration in the province-wide development of a lobbying strategy about the value of CAs and opportunities to have CAs support the province's Made-in-Ontario Environmental Plan.

Motion No.: Moved by: Marion Koepke FA-19-025 Seconded by: Dwight Burley

WHEREAS Chair Cathy Little, Directors Marion Koepke and Scott Greig and CAO Sonya Skinner met with Minister Rod Phillips of the Ministry of Environment, Education and Parks, and

WHEREAS Minister Phillips verbally asked for feedback on three questions, and emphasized the importance of his government's Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan,

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors Chair write the Minister to reiterate the willingness of Conservation Authorities to work together to support and help deliver the Made-in-Ontario Environment Plan, to confirm a clear understanding of his questions, and to offer to work with municipalities and our Board of Directors to provide timely and well-considered feedback.

#### Carried

Discussion included the need for lower tier municipalities to work together to develop tourism opportunities.

f) Administration

 Personnel Policy Update – Job Description for Source Protection Project Manager & Risk Management Official

Motion No.: Moved by: Scott Greig FA-19-026 Seconded by: Sue Carleton

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve revising the Personnel Policy effective March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2019, to include the updated Job Description for the Source Protection Manager & Risk Management Official;

## **Carried**

2) Fourth Quarter 2018 Financial Report

The Board was given the summary of the 4th quarter year end 2018 financial report.

- 3) CAO's Update and Monthly Calendar
- Per the discussion at a previous Board meeting, staff have provided comments to Conservation Ontario on the province's proposed changes to the Endangered Species Act.
- Bruce County staff have indicated that they will be kicking off a study to update their Natural Heritage designations, as one of the steps toward renewal of their Official Plan. GSCA staff indicated that they are strongly interested in being involved.
- Staff are actively applying for external funding and grants.
- Staff met with RTO7 Bruce Grey Simcoe Tourism staff. They provided several great ideas which staff will pursue, and there is intention for continued collaboration.
- Staff and Cathy Little are meeting with Doran Ritchie from the Saugeen Ojibway Nation on March 13<sup>th</sup>

## 14. Chair's report

- Feb. 1 Attended Forestry and Agricultural leases tender openings.
- Feb. 4 Met with SVCA Vice Chair Barbara Dobreen and Director Paul Allen, with Sonya and Staff to discuss GSCA's provision of Natural Heritage comments to municipalities.
- Feb. 7 Met with Minister Phillips and Minister Thompson accompanying Sonya, Scott Grieg and Marion Koepke, along with representatives from Ausable Bayfield CA, Maitland Valley CA, and Saugeen Valley CA, to discuss the role of CAs and support for the Made in Ontario Climate Change Action Plan.
- Feb. 19 Presentation of 2019 GSCA Budget to SBP Council, accompanied Sonya and Les McKay.

Attended Forestry tender opening.

- Feb. 26 Chaired Source Water Protection Management Committee teleconference meeting.
- Feb. 28 Attended City of Owen Sound Corporate Services Committee meeting, with Sonya and Allison to respond to any questions on the Agenda item: the GSCA 2019 Budget.

## 15. Other Business

- a) Committees Minutes nothing from 1) Friends of Hibou; 2) Arboretum Alliance; 3) Forestry Committee; 4) BRWI;
- b) Next Meeting March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019, at 1:15 p.m.

All staff, excluding Sonya Skinner, Doreen Robinson, and Gloria Dangerfield, left the meeting.

# 16. Closed Session

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-027 Seconded by: Scott Greig

THAT the Board of Directors now go to closed session to discuss a Personnel Item.

Carried

Motion No.: Moved by: Dwight Burley FA-19-028 Seconded by: Sue Carleton

THAT the Board of Directors now move out of Closed Session.

Carried

## 17. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Cathy Little, Chair

Doreen Robinson

Administrative Assistant

This set of minutes was adopted by the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors on March 27<sup>th</sup>, 2019.