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The next regular meeting of the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27th, 2021, at 1:15 p.m. The regular meeting will occur via the Webex web-based application. Please notify Valerie Coleman if you are unable to attend.

Directors

Greig, Scott (Chair)
Matrosovs, Andrea (Vice-Chair)
Burley, Dwight
Greenfield, Harley
Greig, Ryan
Koepke, Marion
Little, Cathy
Mackey, Scott
McKenzie, Paul
Moore Coburn, Cathy
Vickers, Paul

Oosting, Lara, MNRF Peterborough Allison, Tracy, MNRF Owen Sound Walker, Bill, MPP Bruce Grey Owen Sound Ruff, Alex, MP Bruce Grey Owen Sound Dowdall, Terry, MP Simcoe-Grey Wilson, Jim, MPP Simce-Grey

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https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCy_ie5dXG8aFYDYGe8tV9Yg/videos.

Please note that this is a Notice of Meeting only for your information.

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AGENDA

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority
Full Authority Meeting
Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 1:15 p.m.

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
- 3. Call for Additional Agenda Items
- 4. Adoption of the Agenda
- 5. Approval of Minutes
 - i. Full Authority September 22, 2021 Resolution Attachment #1
- 6. Business Out of Minutes
- 7. Consent Agenda
 - i. Environmental Planning Section 28 Permits September 2021 Attachment #2
 - ii. Administration Receipts & Expenses September 2021 Attachment #3
 - iii. Correspondence None at this time.
 - iv. Conservation Ontario None at this time.
 - v. Minutes GSCA Indigenous Relationships Committee Minutes June 25, 2021 Attachment # 4
 - vi. Media Attachment # 5

8. Business Items

- i. Administration
 - a. 2022 Draft Budget and Budget Companion Resolution Attachment # 6 (30 min)
 - b. Conservation Authority Act Regulations Resolution Attachment # 7 (30 min)
 - c. Update to Land Acknowledgement Resolution Attachment # 8 (5 min)
- ii. Water Management Nothing at this time.
- iii. Environmental Planning
 - a. Board Orientation Planning Information Attachment # 9 (15 min)

- iv. Conservation Lands
 - a. RFP Results Administration Centre Resolution Attachment # 10 (30 min)
 - b. Ash Management Strategy GSCA Trails Resolution Attachment # 11 (15 min)
- v. Forestry
 - a. Holland Centre Tender Resolution Attachment # 12 (15 min)
- vi. Communication/Public Relations Nothing at this time.
- vii. Education Nothing at this time.
- viii. GIS/IT Nothing at this time
- ix. Operations
 - a. Passenger Vehicle Tender Update Resolution Attachment # 13 (10 min)
- x. DWSP/RMO Report Nothing at this time
- 9. CAO's Report
- 10. Chair's Report
- 11. Resolution to Move into Closed Session

"THAT the GSCA Board of Directors now move into 'Closed Session' to consider:

- Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on August 25, 2021; and,
- ii. Minutes of the Confidential Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on August 25, 2021; and,
- iii. CAO Performance Review closed as it relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual including Authority directors or Authority employees (GSCA Administrative By-Law, Section 4(xvii)(b))
- 12. Resolution that the Board of Director's has Resumed Open Session
- 13. Resolution Approving the Closed Session Minutes of August 25, 2021
- 14. Resolution Approving the Confidential Closed Minutes of August 25, 2021
- 15. Reporting out of Closed Session Nothing at this time.
- 16. Adjournment



Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-113
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:_	
THAT the Grey Sa agenda of October	auble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the er 27, 2021.



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GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY MINUTES

Full Authority Board of Directors Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 1:15 p.m.

The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting was held via the internet on the meeting application, WebEx.

1. Call to Order

Chair Scott Greig called the meeting to order at 1:15 p.m.

<u>Directors Present:</u> Chair Scott Greig, Vice Chair Andrea Matrosovs, Dwight Burley, Cathy Moore Coburn, Cathy Little, Harley Greenfield, Ryan Greig, Paul Vickers, Marion Koepke

Regrets: Paul McKenzie, Scott Mackey

<u>Staff Present:</u> CAO, Tim Lanthier; Administrative Assistant, Valerie Coleman; Manager of Information Services, Gloria Dangerfield; Manager of Financial and Human Resource Services, Alison Armstrong; Manager of Conservation Lands, Rebecca Ferguson; Forestry Coordinator, Mike Fry; Operations Manager, Morgan Barrie; Communications & Education Specialist, Vicki Rowsell

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. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at the time.

3. Call for Additional Agenda Items

• CAO, Tim Lanthier requested that item 8(ix)(a) be moved to the top of the Business Items.

4. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley FA-21-105 Seconded By: Harley Greenfield

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of September 22, 2021, as amended.

Carried

5. Approval of Minutes

Motion No.: Moved By: Marion Koepke FA-21-106 Seconded By: Andrea Matrosovs

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of August 25, 2021.

Carried

6. <u>Business Out of Minutes</u>

Nothing at this time.

7. Consent Agenda

Motion No.: Moved By: Cathy Little FA-21-107 Seconded By: Ryan Greig

THAT in consideration of the Consent Agenda Items listed on the September 22, 2021, agenda, the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receives the following items: (i) Environmental Planning - Section 28 Permits – August 2021; (ii) Administration - Receipts & Expenses – August 2021; (vi) Recent Media Articles

Carried

8. Business Items

i. Operations

a. RFQ Results & Recommendation – Passenger Vehicles

Operations Manager, Morgan Barrie presented the results of the tendering for two passenger vehicles. The tender asked for bidders to provide quotes for a gas and an electric or hybrid vehicle for a compact car and for a small SUV.

Based on the bids received, Staff's recommendation is to purchase a 2021 Kia Forte LX Gas passenger car from Kia of Owen Sound and a 2021 Hyundai Kona Electric SUV from Owen Sound Hyundai. The total price on these two vehicles came in under budget allowing for the additional expense of the electric option over the gas option and the upgrade purchase of a charging station.

A member asked if the charging station would be made available to the public. Morgan explained that at this time it would not, siting the location and availability of proper electrical equipment for the charging station as the main factor.

It was asked what kind of mileage the electric vehicle will get and if it will affect how staff manage their work and travels. Morgan explained that the manufacturer estimates the mileage at approximately 415 kilometers per charge depending on driving style and trip type. It takes about 9 hours for one full charge. It is intended that the vehicle will be plugged in when not in use, ensuring a full charge. Prior to making the recommendation, Morgan had reached out to staff at the City of Owen Sound to get feedback on their experience with the same vehicle and found that they are achieving over 500 kilometers

per charge at a cost of \$10 per charge. Staff have opted to have both electric and gas options available for staff to accommodate different tasks and/or travel distances required.

Motion No.: Moved By: Marion Koepke

FA-21-108 Seconded By: Cathy Moore Coburn

WHEREAS, GSCA staff issued a tender for the purchase of two passenger vehicles;

AND WHEREAS, seven proposals were received and reviewed;

AND WHEREAS, Kia of Owen Sound and Owen Sound Hyundai provided the lowest cost bids, and the option to switch to electric for one of the vehicles;

THAT the Board of Directors authorize the purchase of one from gas powered passenger vehicle from Kia of Owen Sound and one electric powered passenger vehicle from Owen Sound Hyundai.

Carried

ii. Administration

a. 2022 Draft Budget

CAO, Tim Lanthier reviewed the drafted budget with the Board and noted that 2022 will be a tough budget year. Increases in property taxes, insurance rates, and the incorporation of the approved salary review will mean that the requested levy increase will be higher than the 3.00% target of the last few years.

Board members discussed the budget numbers and asked clarifying questions.

It was asked if the increases in Conservation Lands expenses were not being offset by increased revenues from parking. The CAO clarified that parking revenues were being allocated to the Operations budget and noted that the municipal levy funding in that department has decreased from the 2021 budget, which in turn decreased from the 2020 budget.

A member asked if the Planning department has filled its vacancies and if the draft budget shows where the department hopes to be moving forward. The CAO answered that yes, the Planning department's five positions have been filled but that the draft budget does not include any further staffing or self-generated revenues as these are still to be determined. This would be brought forward and implemented once the revised fee schedule has been presented and approved by the Board.

Motion No.: Moved By: Marion Koepke FA-21-109 Seconded By: Cathy Little

THAT the Board of Directors receive the 2022 Draft Budget as presented.

Carried

b. Draft Transition Plan

CAO, Tim Lanthier presented the draft Transition Plan to the Board of Directors. As per the Province's Regulatory Proposal Consultation Guide, transition plans need to be submitted to the Province by December 31, 2021. It was noted that this plan includes a workplan and an inventory of programs and services indicating mandatory or non-mandatory classification and current sources of funding.

The CAO is in the process of coordinating meetings with senior municipal staff to discuss the proposed transition plan and the greater transition period requirements.

The Province requires MOUs/Agreements to be in place by the end of 2022.

A member noted that the timing for the agreements being signed is a concern with an election scheduled for the Fall of 2022. The CAO agreed and stated that the timing was a concern for all CAs across Ontario. GSCA plans to have agreements in place by mid-2022 unless the Province changes their timelines.

The CAO noted that the draft transition plan would be brought back to the Board for final approval after consultation with member municipalities.

Motion No.: Moved By: Dwight Burley
FA-21-110 Seconded By: Andrea Matrosovs

WHEREAS, the proposed changes to the Conservation Authorities Act will require all Conservation Authorities in Ontario to identify mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services;

AND WHEREAS, Conservation Authorities will be required to develop and execute agreements with member municipalities by December 31, 2022 for all non-mandatory programs and services that require municipal levy;

AND WHEREAS, to facilitate this transition, conservation authorities are required to develop Transition Plans for submission to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks by December 31, 2021;

THAT the Board of Directors support the circulation of the Draft Transition Plan to municipal partners for the purposes of discussion and consultation.

Carried

c. NPCA Pollinator Resolution Request

CAO, Tim Lanthier spoke to the letter sent from the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) regarding the protection of pollinator species and their habitat. Recently the NPCA Board of Directors passed a motion requesting its member municipalities, all conservation authorities, and the provincial and federal governments to promote, protect, and develop pollinator habitat.

The CAO noted that the GSCA supports this motion in principal and GSCA will try to implement it where appropriate and feasible, recognizing that, this strategy will not be the right solution in every circumstance.

Motion No.: Moved By: Cathy Moore Coburn FA-21-111 Seconded By: Cathy Little

WHEREAS the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority (NPCA) has requested the support and collaboration of conservation authorities and their partner municipalities across the Province of Ontario to include the provision of native pollinator habitat with specialized native plant species through future development and redevelopment projects,

THAT the GSCA support this request, in principle, and where feasible and appropriate, incorporate recommendations for the expansion of pollinator habitat through development projects and appropriate GSCA projects.

AND THAT the cost of this review be paid through forecasted in-year surplus from the 2021 Environmental Planning Department budget.

Carried

iii. Water Management

Nothing at this time.

iv. Environmental Planning

Nothing at this time.

v. Conservation Lands

a. Inglis Falls Management Plan Update

Manager of Conservation Lands, Rebecca Ferguson provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Inglis Falls Management Plan and the progress so far.

Rebecca gave a description of the study area and the recommended zoning changes. Inglis Falls is one of GSCA's most popular areas. Rebecca reviewed the results of the survey and feedback from users and stakeholders. It was noted that much of the feedback was inline with staff concerns, especially around signage and infrastructure.

GSCA staff have shared their ideas, thoughts, and visions for the Inglis Fall property. These were compiled into five action categories, including: Conserve & Protect, Improve Visitor Experience, Enhance & Celebrate Cultural Heritage, Foster Partnerships & Expand Education, and Operational/Risk Management.

vi. Forestry

a. Board Orientation – Forest Operations

Forestry Coordinator, Mike Fry made a presentation to the Board about the Forestry Department, its history, program, and operations. Mike highlighted the goals of the department, these include ensuring the long-term health of the forest, maintaining wildlife and habitat features, providing recreational opportunities, and generating revenue through sustainable harvesting. Additionally, he outlined the process the Department utilizes to assess a forest stand prior to harvesting.

A member asked if there are guidelines in place that take into consideration the changing climate and how that will affect forest stands. Mike explained that the Department utilizes forest growth and yield modeling and endeavors to set GSCA forests up to be resilient to climate change.

A member asked if the GSCA has a continuous example of forests at different stages in the harvesting/recovering process for educational purposes. (i.e. Freshly cut, 1 year, 5 years, etc.) Staff are working on collecting photos and developing messaging around the various stages of harvest and recovery for the website and social media. Additionally, staff will be inviting Board members out into the field to view such properties.

vii. Communications/Public Relations

a. Property Brochure Digital Launch

Communications & Education Specialist, Vicki Rowsell presented the Board with a first look at GSCA's new Explore brochure and trail map. Vicki started with a look at the previous brochure from 2017.

The new brochure will be available in digital and hardcopy. GSCA usually prints 10,000 copies and sends them out to various tourist information sites and to those who request copies.

The new guide incorporates GSCA's new branding, logo, and messaging into its design and content. There are 23 properties highlighted with Peasemarsh and St. Jean sites having been removed and the Clendenan site added.

The staff focused on clean lines, less text, more visual icons, along with clear warnings and disclaimers. Relying on more pictographic icons improves the guides accessibility. Additionally, the aerial photo maps have been replaced with topographical mapping that displays trails and features clearly. Vicki thanked GSCA's Geospatial Technician, Kris Robinson, for his work on developing and formatting the maps for the guide.

viii. Education

Nothing at this time.

ix. GIS/IT

Nothing at this time.

x. Operations

Nothing at this time.

xi. DWSP

Nothing at this time.

9. CAO's Report

The CAO, Tim Lanthier has been busy working on several large and key items this past month. Working with the managers to develop a draft budget for initial discussion with the Board in preparation of having first draft ready for the October Board meeting with the goal of ensuring that the 2022 budget is passed before the end of the year. The development of the Transition

Plan has taken significant time and consideration. Additionally, the CAO has been working with the Communications Team to get the 2023 Strategic Plan started. There will be a kick-off meeting with all staff in October to get input and prospective from staff. Planning to gather Board input in early 2022, have it finalized in mid-2022, and have it fully implemented for the start of 2023.

Work has started on the 2022 Operational Plan to inform the 2022 Budget Companion.

The service rates and fees review process has begun with Watson & Associates. Staff are now working on detailing the processes to assist in defining the time and costs associated with the many services the Environmental Planning Department provides. Results will be brought to the Board for input.

The RFP for the Administration Centre has been issued and will be open until October 11th. An on-site visit with several architects was scheduled. Submissions will be reviewed by the Board Chair, CAO, Manager of Conservation Lands, and the Operations Manager. Recommendations will go to the Board for approval at the October 27th Board meeting. Final concept designs are expected to be presented to the Board in the first quarter of 2022.

The Children's Water Festival committee has issued a call for volunteers for the committee. This would not be a committee of the Board. If Member's are interested, they can reach out to Tim for contact information.

10. <u>Chair's Report</u>

Chair Greig will be attending the Conservation Ontario meeting on September 27th. Questions are anticipated regarding direction from the Province.

11. Other Business

Nothing at this time.

12. Resolution to Move into Closed Session

Nothing at this time.

13. Resolution Approving the Closed Session Minutes

Nothing at this time.

14. Reporting out of Closed Session

Nothing at this time.

15. Next Full Authority Meeting

Wednesday October 27th, 2021

16. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:47 p.m.

Motion No.:	Moved By:	Dwight Burley	
FA-21-112	Seconded By:	Cathy Moore Coburn	
THAT this meeting now adjourn.			
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Scott Greig, Chair		Coleman strative Assistant	
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Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-114
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of September 22, 2021.

Permits Issued from September 1, 2021 to September 30, 202

Permit #:	Date Applied:	Date Issued:		Lot:	Con	nc: Muni	cipality:	F	ormer Municipality:
GS18-368	13-Nov-18	02-Sep-21		34	9	Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	ollingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	the repair to	existing shoreline landscaping wo	orks		Project Location:	80 Lakeshore Drive		
						\square construct	alter watercourse	✓ shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						\square alter structure	\square alter wetland	\square fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-337	09-Aug-21	02-Sep-21				Muni	cipality of Grey Highland	ds A	rtemesia Township
Approv	ed works:	Fill placemen	t to construct an entrance to the	property		Project Location:	Plan 850 Pt Blk, (irreg	21.83acres)	Peters Crescent, Flesher
						\square construct	✓ alter watercourse	\square shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						\square alter structure	\square alter wetland	✓ fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-338	30-Jul-21	02-Sep-21		35	10	Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	ollingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Construction	of a dwelling and associated site	alteration	s	Project Location:	124 HIGH BLUFF LANE	· ,	
						✓ construct	alter watercourse	\square shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						\square alter structure	\square alter wetland	✓ fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-208	26-Apr-21	03-Sep-21		36	10	Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	ollingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Shoreline Pro	tection Works			Project Location:	177 Cameron Street,	Thornbury, C	N
						\square construct	alter watercourse	✓ shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						\square alter structure	\square alter wetland	\square fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-284	13-Jul-21	03-Sep-21				City o	f Owen Sound	С	ity of Owen Sound
Approv	ed works:	Fill placemen	t and site grading including a stor	mwater		Project Location:	1745 23rd Street East		
		management	facility			\square construct	alter watercourse	\square shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						\square alter structure	\square alter wetland	✓ fill	Mac Plewes
GS21-365	18-Aug-21	03-Sep-21				Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	ollingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	the repair to	existing shoreline landscaping wo	orks		Project Location:	80 Lakeshore Drive, T	hornbury ON	
						\Box construct	alter watercourse	✓ shorelin	e Reviewed by:
						☐ alter structure	\square alter wetland	\square fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste

Permit #:	Date Applied:	Date Issued:		Lot:	Cor	nc:	Munic	ipality:		Forn	ner Municipality:
GS21-308	25-May-21	14-Sep-21		PLAN 426			Town	of South Bruce Peninsu	la	Albe	emarle Township
Approv	ed works: 0	Construction o	f residence and associated site a	alterations		Project Loc	cation:	1262 Sunset Drive			
						✓ construction	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-325	28-Jul-21	14-Sep-21		62			Town	of the Blue Mountains		Colli	ingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Pool, landscapi	ing and associated site alteration	ns.		Project Loc	cation:	154 Brooker Blvd			
						✓ constru	ct	alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-266	21-Jun-21	14-Sep-21		PT LOT 2	COI	N 14	Towns	ship of Georgian Bluffs		Керј	pel Township
Approv	ed works: 0	Construction o	f cottage and associated site alto	erations		Project Loc	cation:	139227 Hindman side	road, Geo	rgian	Bluffs
						construc	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-362	26-Aug-21	14-Sep-21					Towns	ship of Georgian Bluffs		Керј	pel Township
Approv	ed works:	nstallation of a	a shorewell			Project Loc	cation:	504377 Grey Rd 1			
						□ constru	ct	\square alter watercourse	✓ shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	\Box fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-363	09-Aug-21	14-Sep-21		PART LOT	Cor	n 4 EBR	Town	of South Bruce Peninsu	la	Albe	emarle Township
Approv	ed works: (Construction a	nd placement of fill for a drivew	ay		Project Loc	cation:	85 Teddy Bear Lane			
						\Box construc	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-372	11-Sep-21	14-Sep-21					Munic	ipality of Meaford		Tow	n of Meaford
Approv	ed works: F	Residential dw	elling addition			Project Loc	cation:	34 Ivan Street, Meafo	rd Ontario)	
						\Box construc	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						✓ alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill		Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-374	02-Sep-21	14-Sep-21		16	7		Towns	ship of Chatsworth		Sulli	van Township
Approv		•	pair the banks of a watercourse	•		Project Loc	cation:				
	C	drainage tile in	stallation and construct a culver	t crossing		\Box construc	ct	✓ alter watercourse	\square shore	line	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill		Olivia Sroka

Permit #:	Date Applied:	Date Issued:		Lot:	Cor	nc:	Munic	ipality:		Forn	ner Municipality:
GS21-375	10-Sep-21	15-Sep-21					Towns	hip of Georgian Bluffs		Sara	wak Township
Approv	ed works:	Replacement	of existing septic system			Project Lo	cation:	113 Maple Ridge Cres			
						\square constru	ct	☐ alter watercourse	\square shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-377	15-Sep-21	16-Sep-21					City of	Owen Sound		City	of Owen Sound
Approv	ed works:	Repair and st	abilize stormwater outlet to Geo	rgian Bay		Project Lo	cation:	Grey Rd 15 and 36th S	t. East Ow	en Sc	ound
						\square constru	ct	alter watercourse	✓ shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		John Bittorf
GS21-324	18-Jul-21	16-Sep-21					Munic	ipality of Meaford		St Vi	ncent Township
Approv	ed works:	Replacement	of existing culvert			Project Lo	cation:	Between Fire Lot Iden	tifier 261 a	and 2	63/265 on Cedar Ave
						✓ constru	ct	alter watercourse	\square shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-368	10-Sep-21	17-Sep-21					Town	of the Blue Mountains		Colli	ngwood Township
Approv	ed works: (Off-site Drain	age Improvements			Project Lo	cation:	Elgin Street North and	Bay Stree	t East	t
						\square constru	ct	alter watercourse	\square shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Jake Bousfield-Baste
GS21-328	08-Jul-21	21-Sep-21		PT LOTS	COI	NC 1 NCD	Town	of South Bruce Peninsu	la	Ama	bel Township
Approv	ed works: 2	222sqm stora	ige workshop			Project Lo	cation:	019422 HWY 6			
						✓ constru	ct	alter watercourse	\square shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill		Olivia Sroka
GS21-279	06-Jul-21	21-Sep-21		M	1		Town	of South Bruce Peninsu	la	Ama	bel Township
Approv	ed works:	Alteration to	a shoreline for landscaping and s	tair access		Project Lo	cation:	140 Sunnyview Drive			
						✓ constru	ct	alter watercourse	\square shorel	ine	Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Mac Plewes
GS21-354	27-Aug-21	21-Sep-21		35	10		Town	of the Blue Mountains		Colli	ngwood Township
Approv	ed works: (Construction	of a dwelling and associated site	alterations		Project Lo	cation:	217 Cameron Street, 1	hornbury		
			-			✓ constru		alter watercourse			Reviewed by:
						\square alter str	ucture	\square alter wetland	✓ fill		Jake Bousfield-Baste

Permit #:	Date Applied:	lssued:		Lot:	Conc:	Munic	cipality:	F ₁	ormer Municipality:
GS21-382	23-Sep-21	. 30-Sep-21				Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	ollingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Construction	of a single-family dwelling and as	ssociated s	ite Project Lo	cation:	106 Springside Cresce	nt	
		alterations			✓ constru	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shorelin	e Reviewed by:
					alter sti	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill	Mac Plewes
GS21-383	23-Sep-21	30-Sep-21				Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	collingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Construction	of a single-family dwelling		Project Lo	cation:	112 Springside Cresce	nt	
					✓ constru	ct	\square alter watercourse	\square shorelin	e Reviewed by:
					alter st	ucture	\square alter wetland	☐ fill	Mac Plewes
GS21-213	11-May-21	1 30-Sep-21				Town	of the Blue Mountains	С	collingwood Township
Approv	ed works:	Construction	of a dwelling and associated site	alteration	s. Project Lo	cation:	211 Sunset Boulevard		
					✓ constru	ct	alter watercourse	✓ shorelin	e Reviewed by:
					☐ alter sti	ucture	\square alter wetland	\square fill	Jake Bousfield-Baste

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Receipt Report September 1st - 30th, 2021

Regulation Permits	\$ 13,290.00	
Planning	\$ 14,120.00	
Pavilion Rentals	\$ 68.90	
Season Passes	\$ 560.00	
Self-Serve Parking Fees	\$ 15,180.00	
Square Parking Revenue	\$ 27,680.17	
Forestry	\$ 2,938.00	
Timber Sales	\$ 6,300.00	Compartment 71
OMAFRA HLH Funds	\$ 21,667.00	
3rd Levy Installment	\$ 82,002.91	Grey Highlands, TOSBP
Province of Ontario	\$ 37,056.00	2021/22 S39 Transfer
Donations	\$ 38.40	
Miscellaneous	\$ 712.20	
Funds Owed To Foundation	\$ 150.00	Memorial Forest
Arboretum Alliance	\$ 1,307.00	
Hibou Playground	\$ 50.00	
Total Monthly Receipts	\$ 223,120.58	

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11604	VOID		
11605	GBTel	\$ 225.99	Internet Service
11606	A-1 Toilet Rentals	\$ 485.90	Toilet Rentals
11607	Bell Canada	\$ 195.82	Admin Centre Service
11608	The Cleaning Brigade	\$ 361.60	Office Cleaning
11609	Georgian Bay Fire & Safety Ltd.	\$ 421.60	Annual Fire Extinguisher and Emergency Light Inspection
11610	Township of Georgian Bluffs	\$ 252.13	Indian Falls Water Charges
11611	Municipality of Grey Highlands	\$ 4,080.72	Property Tax
11612	J.J. MacKay Canada Limited	\$ 701.73	Self Serve Transaction Fees
11613	Middlebro' & Stevens LLP	\$ 600.71	Legal Fees
11614	Miller Waste Systems Inc.	\$ 229.94	Garbage Bin Rental and Tipping Fees
11615	Town of South Bruce Peninsula	\$ 5,995.13	Property Tax
11616	Xerox Canada Ltd.	\$ 140.92	GSCA Copy and Print Charges
	City of Owen Sound	\$ 357.22	Office Water Charges
	Mastercard Payments	\$ 7,001.63	
	Amilia	\$ 350.93	
	Bruce Telecom	\$ 526.09	
	DWSP Copier Lease	\$ 163.85	
	Office Moneris Fees	\$ 69.62	
	Self-Serve Moneris Fees	\$ 564.36	
	Square Transaction Fees	\$ 542.80	
	Hydro, Reliance	\$ 1,627.22	
	Receiver General, EHT, WSIB	\$ 43,574.22	
	Group Health Benefits	\$ 9,118.87	
	OMERS	\$ 22,246.36	
	Employee Expense Claims	\$ 100.00	
	SPC Per Diems	\$ 1,125.00	
	Monthly Payroll	\$ 106,545.87	

\$ 207,606.22

Total Monthly Expenses



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MINUTES

Indigenous and GSCA Relationships Committee Friday, June 25, 2021 at 10:30 a.m.

Invitees Present: Cathy Little, Dwight Burley, Cathy Moore Coburn, Vicki Rowsell, Tim Lanthier,

Serenity Morton, Jake Bousfield-Bastedo, Rebecca Ferguson, Valerie Coleman

Guests: NA

Regrets: Paul McKenzie

1. Welcome and Indigenous Lands Acknowledgment

The Land Acknowledgement was read by Tim Lanthier. Serenity Morton suggested that in keeping with Indigenous traditions, that the Chair position be rotated at each meeting. Attendees agreed.

2. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda was moved by Dwight Burley and seconded by Cathy Moore Coburn and Carried.

3. Review and Approval of Minutes – January 7, 2020

Minutes were reviewed. Moved by Cathy Moore Coburn and seconded by Dwight Burley and Carried.

4. Introductions

Each member introduced themselves and their goals for participating in the committee.

5. Review of Previous Meeting Topics and Provided Resources for Reference

Tim gave an overview of items discussed at previous meeting items discussed at previous meetings. Members were asked to read the Declaration, Calls to Action, and the committee's goals and Terms of Reference for the next meeting.

6. Giiwe Recommendations

In response to the discoveries of mass grave sites at several residential schools, a list of 20 recommendations was complied. Members reviewed the list and identified those that GSCA has incorporated, is working on, and could work or incorporate.

Several members supported the idea of creating a garden of traditional indigenous medicines.

Members were asked to come to the next meeting with ideas.

- 7. Discussion of current GSCA projects that will hopefully involve indigenous communities.
 - i. Metis Hunting Request/Agreement Rebecca Rebecca gave an overview of MNO's request for bow-only hunt at Hibou or a nearby property. As there is no hunting permitted at Hibou, GSCA is working with the MNO to arrange for an exclusive bow-only hunt at a nearby GSCA property that allows hunting. This hunt will be conducted in the last two weeks of October.
 - ii. Arboretum Tree/Shrub Labelling project Tim As part of the IFAA's signage project, they are reaching out to local Indigenous communities to assist with incorporating traditional names and knowledge onto the signage.
 - iii. Property Management Plans Rebecca

 Rebecca would like to incorporate the cultural heritage and traditional knowledge of the areas into the management plans.
- 8. Review of the City of Hamilton's Urban Indigenous Strategy: Tim expressed that he was very impressed with the scope of the goals and directions of the City's strategy. Tim noted that this was something that GSCA could move toward. The committee will discuss this strategy further.
- Further Reading for Future Meeting Opportunities
 Members were asked for suggestions to add to the resource list.
- 10. Further Training Opportunities
 - i. <u>Indigenous Canada University of Alberta</u> (free to take or \$60 to earn a certificate)
 Those Committee, Board, and staff Members who have taken the courses speaking very highly of the program.
 - ii. Cultural Awareness "Safety" Training

A member of the committee expanded on the concept of "Cultural Safety" training in contrast to "Cultural Awareness" training. Staff are currently looking into opportunities to provide this training for all GSCA staff. This could be extended to the whole board.

11. Next Meeting

To be held in early September 2021

12. Adjourn



ATTACHMENT #5

Toronto Star October 22, 2021

"Proposed amendments to source protection plan address fuel storage and salt use"
Proposed amendments to source protection plan address fuel storage and salt use |
The Star

The Owen Sound Sun Times October 21, 2021

"Subdivision planned for former Butchart property at Balmy Beach"

<u>Subdivision planned for former Butchart property at Balmy Beach | Owen Sound Sun</u>

<u>Times</u>

Blackburn News
October 19, 2021

"\$2.5 million provided for Great Lakes projects"

BlackburnNews.com - \$2.5 million provided for Great Lakes projects

The Owen Sound Sun Times
October 10, 2021
"Moore humbled, honoured by accolades on 100th birthday"
Moore, humbled, honoured by accolades on 100th birthday | Owen Sound Sun Times

Conservation Ontario October 8, 2021

"Phase 1 Regulations for the *Conservation Authorities Act* Are Finalized by the Province"

2021 Media Release Phase 1 Regulations for the CA Act Are Finalized by the Province Oct8 .pdf (conservationontario.ca)



Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-115
MOVED BY: _	
SECONDED BY	.

THAT in consideration of the Consent Agenda Items listed on the October 27, 2021, agenda, the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receives the following items: (i) Environmental Planning-Section 28 Permits – September 2021; (ii) Administration - Receipts & Expenses – September 2021; (v) Minutes – GSCA Indigenous Relationships Committee June 25, 2021; (vi) Recent Media Articles



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Tim Lanthier, CAO

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 045-2021

Subject: Draft 2022 Budget – For Circulation

Recommendation:

WHEREAS GSCA Staff presented the 2022 Draft Budget to the Board of Directors for review and discussion at the September 2022 Full Authority meeting,

AND WHEREAS GSCA Staff have, upon consideration of Board of Director comments and other market factors, prepared a final 2022 Draft Budget for the Board of Directors' consideration,

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority received the 2022 Draft Budget,

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to distribute the 2022 Draft Budget and Budget Companion to member municipalities for the minimum 30-day review period.

Strategic Initiative:

This item is part of GSCA's corporate services that supports and assists all of GSCA's Strategic Plan deliverables and desired outcomes.

Background:

A number of cost increase factors have occurred in 2021 that have made the development of the 2022 budget challenging.

Among these are:

- 1. Dramatic in-year increase in insurance rates over the 2020 premiums.
- 2. Completion of a salary compensation review for the organization.
- 3. Continued implementation of GSCA's long-term succession plan for the organization.
- 4. Lack of available merchantable timber on GSCA's landholdings.

Analysis:

The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) strives to provide excellence in corporate management and client services through our dedicated, experienced staff and the programs that we offer to our communities. Similar to our municipal partners, GSCA entered 2021 amidst several challenges and a higher than usual level of uncertainty associated with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic and the changes to the Conservation Authorities Act. Although these situations appear to be stabilizing, it is anticipated that 2022 will still hold similar challenges.

To reduce the overall impact on ratepayers and our member municipalities, GSCA utilizes a number of mechanisms to drive revenue generation to the extent feasible to limit the necessity to utilize municipal levy.

In the 2021 budget year, municipal levy accounted for approximately 46 percent of the total budgeted revenue, transfer payments from the Province for Drinking Water Source Protection and Natural Hazards accounted for approximately 7 percent, and the remainder (47%) was derived from other sources, including self-generated revenues, grants and agreements.

The GSCA draft 2022 budget totals \$3.4 million for Operating and Capital expenditures combined. This is up from \$3.3 million in 2021. Although several mandatory cost increases associated with salary, CPP, insurance and property taxes have gone up by more than \$180,000, GSCA has managed to keep the total expense increase to \$133,000 over 2021.

In the 2022 budget year, municipal levy is proposed to account for approximately 47 percent of the total budgeted revenue, transfer payments from the Province for Drinking Water Source Protection and Natural Hazards will account for approximately 7 percent, and the remainder (46%) will be derived from other sources, including self-generated revenues, grants and agreements.

The total levy increase for 2022 is proposed to be \$83,194 over the 2021 budget. This equates to a percentage levy increase of 5.64 percent. This increase is higher than that necessary in recent years, however, it is largely associated with costs that GSCA has little to no control over. A breakdown of this levy increase is presented in Table 1.1, later in this report.

GSCA has experienced substantial increases in insurance premiums over the last several years. The 2022 budget accounts for the 2022 increase, as well as for the unforeseen portion of the 2021 increase.

In 2021, GSCA undertook a review of staff positions and salaries compared to similar organizations within the market. This review was conducted by a third-party consulting firm and was approved by the GSCA Board of Directors at the July 2021 Full Authority meeting. To reduce the impacts of this review on the 2022 levy, GSCA is utilizing existing surplus to offset the impacts in year one. The remainder of the impact will be carried into the 2023 operating budget.

Included below is a synopsis, by department, of the primary changes in the budget from 2021, and a brief rationale for that change.

Additionally, a link to the *2022 Budget Companion* document, which will provide insights into the various program areas, is provided at the end of this report.

Water Management

The Water Management budget remains largely unchanged from 2021 to 2022. Specific changes of note are associated with salary and wages. These increases across the Department are associated with a greater allocation of staff time, as well as with the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review and COLA.

Watershed Monitoring and Management

The Watershed Monitoring and Management budget remains largely unchanged from 2021 to 2022.

Stewardship

The 2022 Stewardship budget sees a marked decrease in materials and supplies and the associated grant funding. Staff are working to secure this funding and may need to reflect it in-year as grants are received. There is no levy increase proposed in this Department. Surplus from 2021 is proposed to carry forward into 2022, as a result of grant funding distribution in 2021.

Environmental Planning

The 2022 Environmental Planning budget sees a nominal increase in both wages and in sales and services. It is expected that the implementation of the new service rates and fee structure may ultimately drive more revenue in this Department than currently budgeted for. Levy increases in this Department are nominal.

Forestry, Species & Forestry Services

In recent years, a dramatic reduction in marketable timber resources is causing challenges for revenue within this Department. Forestry is seeing marginal increases in wages associated with the Salary Compensation Review and COLA, however the is a reduction in available revenues. It is proposed that funding from the Forestry Reserve, generated during more lucrative years, is used to offset the funding deficit.

This Department does not utilize levy funding.

Conservation Lands Policy & Strategy

The expense side of the budget in this Department appears to be increasing substantially from 2021 to 2022. However, this is predominantly a draw from reserves to cover anticipated legal costs associated with an ongoing property issue that is expected to be resolved early in 2022. Nominal increases in wages are also noted. Surplus will be utilized to slightly offset the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review.

Grey County Management Contract

As staff dedicate more time to the fulfilment of this contract, an increase in expenses and associated funding is required. Staff will be working directly with Grey County to finalize this component of the budget.

Conservation Lands Operations

2021 has seen record revenues from GSCA's paid parking program. GSCA has also experienced increasing pressures on our properties and the resources of our staff to manage these properties. Most notable changes to this Department are associated with increased wages to cover the additional staff time. Overall, the levy in this Department has remained generally static. Surplus will be utilized to slightly offset the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review. The remaining surplus will be earmarked for the Lands Capital Reserve to offset the cost of future capital renewals.

Conservation Information & Community Outreach

This Department shows slight increases in wages and in contracts & services. Overall, the expenditures in this budget are decreasing from 2021 to 2022, and the levy funding is also decreasing. Surplus will be utilized to slightly offset the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review.

Education

Overall, this budget is proposed to increase by approximately \$15,000 over the previous year. This budget is currently funded entirely through user fees. In 2022, this Department will draw from the Education Reserve to help fund contract staffing that will work to expand the programming to meet GSCA's Strategic Goals.

Administration, Finance & Human Resources

Notable changes in the budget from 2021 to 2022 are predominantly in an increase in salary/wages and an increase in insurance premiums ("other"). The Department also sees a decrease in contracts and services. Funding within the Department will require an increase in levy funding and an increase in services and sales. Surplus will be utilized to slightly offset the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review.

GIS, Information Management & Information Technology

The most notable year-over-year changes in this Department are associated with an increase in salary and wages, and a decrease in dependence on reserves. The primary driver for the increase in salary is the increase in staffing approved in the 2021 budget to facilitate succession planning for the organization. The 2021 budget utilized reserves to offset this impact, with the remainder being recognized in the 2022 budget. Surplus will be utilized to slightly offset the impacts of the Salary Compensation Review.

Source Water Protection

The only notable change in this portion of the budget is to reflect changes with salary and wages. This program is funded through Provincial grant. There is no levy impact associated with this budget.

Source Water Risk Management Service

Changes in this program area are associated with a nominal increase in salary and wages and a modest increase in contracts & services. This program operates on a fee for service basis as established in agreements with participating municipalities. There is no levy impact associated with this budget.

Fleet & Equipment Management

The expenses in the Department are proposed to decrease in 2022, associated with a reduction in contribution to the Fleet and Equipment Reserve. This is reflective of a reduction in Fleet and Equipment usages across the other Departments.

Financial/Budget Implications:

Although several mandatory cost increases associated with salary, CPP, insurance and property taxes have gone up by more than \$180,000, GSCA has managed to keep the total expense increase to \$133,000 over 2021.

These expenditures are offset with an equal increase in revenues for 2022. The predominant changes in revenues are associated with municipal levy, services and sales, use of reserves and use of surplus.

As noted above, there are several cost drivers in this year's budget that are vital for continued operation at the same level of service. The table below details the primary drivers of levy increase in this year's budget.

Levy Increase Drivers	Associated Increase (\$)	Associated Increase (%)
Insurance Premium Increase	\$28,805	1.95%
COLA	\$21,134	1.43%
Salary Review (partial)	\$16,938	1.15%
Other	\$16,317	1.11%
Total Impact	\$83,194	5.64%

Table 1.1 – Levy Increase Drivers for 2022 (dollar value and percentage impacts)

The line item identified as "Other" accounts for other ongoing expenses within the organization including property taxes and the fulfillment of succession planning changes within the organization.

Communication Strategy:

If the Board of Directors is supportive of the budget as presented. Staff will move forward with circulation of the draft budget and 2022 Budget Companion to member municipalities for the 30-day review and consultation period.

Staff will also send an open invitation to municipal councils for staff to attend to discuss the draft budget and answer any questions that the council members may have.

It is intended that staff will bring the final budget forward to the November Full Authority meeting for a vote on approval of the 2022 Budget.

Consultation:

Senior Management Team and Board of Directors

Appendices:

- 1. 2022 Draft Operating Budget (attached)
- 2. 2022 Draft Capital Budget (attached)
- 3. 2022 Draft Levy Allocation (attached)
- 4. 2022 Budget Companion: https://www.greysauble.on.ca/wp-content/uploads/2021/10/2022_Grey_Sauble_budget_companion_OCT-21-2021.pdf

APPENDIX # 1

GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY 2022 DRAFT BUDGET

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
WATER MANAGEMENT					WATER MANAGEMENT				
Flood Forecasting & Warning					Flood Forecasting & Warning				
Salary, wages & benefits	96,729	102,160	119,199	127,017	Municipal Levy	80,738	82,238	102,999	107,984
Contracts & Services	5,500	3,745	5,200	5,160	CAA S39	29,492	29,520	29,400	29,400
Vehicles & Equipment	4,000	3,137	4,000	4,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	3,000	2,716	3,000	3,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops	1,000		1,000	1,000	Services & Sales				
To Deferred Revenue				From Deferre	ed Revenue			2,794	
Total Flood Forecasting & Warning	110,229	111,758	132,399	140,177	Total Flood Forecasting & Warning	110,229	111,758	132,399	140,177
Flood Control Structures					Flood Control Structures				
Salary, wages & benefits	1,437	2,446	1,500	1,500	Municipal Levy	5,467	4,293	5,707	5,707
Contracts & Services	2,500	1,515	2,500	2,500	CAA S39	1,820	1,828	1,643	1,643
Vehicles & Equipment	350	460	350	350	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	1,200		1,200	1,200	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Other	1,800	1,700	1,800	1,800	Interest & Gains				
Total Flood Control Structures	7,287	6,121	7,350	7,350	Total Flood Control Structures	7,287	6,121	7,350	7,350
Erosion Control Structures					Erosion Control Structures				
Salary, wages & benefits	800	1,123	800	800	Municipal Levy	1,100	964	1,100	1,100
Contracts & Services					CAA S39	1,000	964	1,000	1,000
Vehicles & Equipment	300	77	300	300	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	1,000	727	1,000		Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Total Erosion Control Structures	2,100	1,927	2,100	2,100	Total Erosion Control Structures	2,100	1,928	2,100	2,100

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
Other Dams					Other Dams				
Salary, wages & benefits	18,043	11,674	18,041	18,000	Municipal Levy	23,043	22,853	18,641	21,100
Contracts & Services	2,000				CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	1,500	1,772	1,600	1,600	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	1,500	1,844	1,500	1,500	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
To Reserves		5,564			From Reserves or Surplus			2,500	
To Deferred Revenue/Surplus		2,000			From Deferred Revenue				
Total Other Dams	23,043	22,853	21,141	21,100	Total Other Dams	23,043	22,853	21,141	21,100
TOTAL WATER MANAGEMENT	142,660	142,660	162,990	170,727	TOTAL WATER MANAGEMENT	142,660	142,660	162,990	170,727
Watershed Monitoring & Management					Watershed Monitoring & Management				
Salary, wages & benefits	34,755	16,628	17,781	17 528	Municipal Levy	47,205	47,205	35,581	36,928
Contracts & Services	10,000		13,600		CAA S39	17,200	17,200	30,001	30,720
Vehicles & Equipment	5,000				MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	400	1,070	400		Agreements, MOUs and Grants		3,788		
Training & Workshops	750	150		100	Services & Sales		0,700		
Donations	700	100			Donations	3,700	665		
To Reserves		24,801			From Reserves or Surplus	0,700	000	1,200	
Total Watershed Monitoring & Management	50,905	51,658	36,781	36,928	Total Watershed Monitoring & Management	50,905	51,658	36,781	36,928
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Stewardship					Stewardship				
Salary, wages & benefits	33,255	28,488	56,639	58,776	Municipal Levy	34,755	34,755	35,639	35,639
Contracts & Services	1,000		1,000	1,000	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	5,000	381	3,000	3,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	65,000	72,289	31,913		Agreements, MOUs and Grants	70,000	79,098	56,913	
Training & Workshops	500				Services & Sales				
To Reserves		12,695			From Reserves or Surplus				27,137
Total Stewardship	104,755	113,853	92,552	62,776	Total Stewardship	104,755	113,853	92,552	62,776

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
Environmental Planning & Regulations					Environmental Planning & Regulations				
Salary, wages & benefits	390,089	387,552	389,359	397,298	Municipal Levy	83,606	83,606	84,073	86,305
Contracts & Services	1,000	2,950	1,000	2,000	CAA S39	2,993	2,993	2,993	2,993
Vehicles & Equipment	11,000	5,977	10,000	10,000	MECP				
Materials & Supplies	5,000	4,579	4,707	5,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops	5,000	401			Services & Sales	325,490	323,088	318,000	325,000
To Deferred Revenue/Surplus		8,228			From Deferred Revenue	_			
Total Environmental Planning & Regulations	412,089	409,687	405,066	414,298	Total Environmental Planning & Regulations	412,089	409,687	405,066	414,298
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Forestry, Species & Forestry Services					Forestry, Species & Forestry Services				
Salary, wages & benefits	235,623	238,950	229,122	236,961	Municipal Levy				
Contracts & Services	1,500	6,822	2,250	700	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	21,000	9,090	24,000	16,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	92,500	71,152	99,500	137,900	Agreements, MOUs and Grants	75,000	164,191	166,500	137,625
Training & Workshops	5,000	672			Services & Sales	294,557	152,333	155,000	133,000
Donations	3,000	3,000			Donations	3,000	1,014	5,000	
To Reserves	13,934	579			From Reserves		12,729	28,372	114,989
To Deferred Revenue					From Surplus				5,947
Total Forestry, Species & Forestry Services	372,557	330,266	354,872	391,561	Total Forestry, Species & Forestry Services	372,557	330,267	354,872	391,561

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
CONSERVATION LANDS				_	CONSERVATION LANDS				_
Conservation Lands Policy & Strategy					Conservation Lands Policy & Strategy				
Salary, wages & benefits	103,482	38,747	114,095	117,632	Municipal Levy	132,982	132,982	133,347	137,968
Contracts & Services	3,000	8,420	3,000	30,000	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	1,500	884	1,500	1,500	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	3,000	532	2,400	771	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops	1,000	840	-		Services & Sales	55,000	56,694	64,048	64,488
Other	73,000	73,689	83,000	85,000	Interest & Gains				
To Reserves	5,000	47,564			From Reserves	2,000		6,600	30,000
To Deferred Revenue		19,000			From Surplus			2,44	18
Total Conservation Lands Policy & Strategy	189,982	189,676	203,995	234,904	Total Conservation Lands Policy & Strategy	189,982	189,676	203,995	234,904
Grey County Management Contract					Grey County Management Contract				
Salary, wages & benefits	134,516	115,023	160,864	186,395	Municipal Levy				
Vehicles & Equipment	16,500	13,640	13,500	14,500	MECP (DWSP)				
Training & Workshops					Services & Sales	151,016	128,663	174,364	200,895
Total Grey County Management Contract	151,016	128,663	174,364	200,895	Total Grey County Management Contract	151,016	128,663	174,364	200,895
Conservation Lands Operations					Conservation Lands Operations				
Salary, wages & benefits	186,926	184,552	238,152	267,044	Municipal Levy	188,601	188,601	170,082	170,208
Contracts & Services	23,000	21,906	23,000		CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	21,925	28,921	22,000	22,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	15,000	16,587	15,000	23,150	Agreements, MOUs and Grants		14,277		
Training & Workshops	2,000				Services & Sales	60,000	93,769	130,070	137,900
Other					From Surplus				3,073
To Reserves		44,681	59,000	25,000	From Reserves			57,000	42,663
Total Conservation Lands Operations	248,851	296,646	357,152	353,844	Total Conservation Lands Operations	248,851	296,646	357,152	353,844
TOTAL CONSERVATION LANDS	589,849	614,985	735,511	789,642	TOTAL CONSERVATION LANDS	589,849	614,985	735,511	789,642

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
Conservation Information &					Conservation Information &				
Community Outreach					Community Outreach				
Salary, wages & benefits	71,221	71,281	80,306	82,126	Municipal Levy	98,471	90,863	96,356	94,497
Contracts & Services	22,700	13,797	9,700	10,350	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	500	21	500	500	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	3,050	292	8,250	3,250	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops	800	47			Services & Sales				
Donations	200	80	100	100	Donations				
To Reserves		5,346			From Reserves			2,500	
To Deferred Revenue					From Surplus				1,829
Total Conservation Information &	98,471	90,863	98,856	96,326	Total Conservation Information &	98,471	90,863	98,856	96,326
Community Outreach					Community Outreach				
Education			Education						
Salary, wages & benefits	44,993		38,458		Municipal Levy	323	7,931		
Contracts & Services	6,500	1,299	5,700		CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	250		250		MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	3,800		3,400	2,800	Agreements, MOUs and Grants	3,500	7,000		3,000
Training & Workshops	400				Services & Sales	52,120	543	•	56,962
To Reserves			4,482		From Reserves		2,418		7,146
To Deferred Revenue		7,000			From Deferred Revenue				
Total Education	55,943	17,892	52,290	67,108	_Total Education	55,943	17,892	52,290	67,108
Administration, Finance & Human Resources					Administration, Finance & Human Resources				
Salary, wages & benefits	351,580	345,555	373,280	390.218	Municipal Levy	498,983	488,096	525,679	549,150
Contracts & Services	85,300		67,024		CAA S39	2,020	1,750		2,020
Vehicles & Equipment	1,000		1,000		MECP (DWSP)	_,,	.,	_,,	_,
Materials & Supplies	16,800				Agreements, MOUs and Grants		2,666		
Training & Workshops	2,000	5,048			Services & Sales	32,177	30,015		39,959
Donations	,	.,	-,	-,	Donations	500	2,312		1,600
Other	94,000	97,388	100,075	129,305	Interest & Gains	2,000	4,291	4,000	2,000
To Reserves	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	19,507	,	,,,,,,	From Reserves	15,000	,	,,,,,	,
To Deferred Revenue					From Surplus				4,021
Total Administration, Finance & Human					Total Administration, Finance & Human				
Resources	550,680	529,130	569,429	598,750	Resources	550,680	529,130	569,429	598,750

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
GIS, Information Management & Information Technology					GIS, Information Management & Information Technology				
Salary, wages & benefits	201,664	187,506	235,742	253,739	Municipal Levy	185,324	196,211	222,932	268,745
Contracts & Services	26,910	10,114	27,790	17,855	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	1,200	558	1,000	1,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	5,850	3,435	4,900	4,900	Agreements, MOUs and Grants	15,000			
Training & Workshops	3,200	153			Services & Sales	5,500	5,555	3,500	2,000
To Reserves					From Reserves or Surplus	33,000		43,000	
To Deferred Revenue					From Surplus				6,750
Total GIS & Information Management	238,824	201,766	269,432	277,494	Total GIS & Information Management	238,824	201,766	269,432	277,494
Source Water Protection					Source Water Protection				
Salary, wages & benefits	171,019	162,792	162,304	169,160	Municipal Levy				
Contracts & Services	11,292	22,372	15,000	15,000	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	1,500	136	1,500	1,500	MECP (DWSP)	186,811	203,963	181,804	188,660
Materials & Supplies	3,000	3,742	3,000	3,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Other					Interest & Gains		1,073		
To Deferred Revenue		15,994			From Deferred Revenue				
Total Source Water Protection	186,811	205,036	181,804	188,660	Total Source Water Protection	186,811	205,036	181,804	188,660
Source Water Risk Management Service					Source Water Risk Management Service				
Salary, wages & benefits	34,084	46,263	51,427	54,460	Municipal Levy				
Contracts & Services	9,000	6,237	6,000	9,000	CAA S39				
Vehicles & Equipment	1,500	36	1,000	1,000	MECP (DWSP)				
Materials & Supplies	2,000	2,057	2,000	2,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops	1,000		1,000	1,000	Services & Sales	76,679	64,500	50,000	50,200
Other		6,450			Interest & Gains				
To Reserves	29,095	3,457			From Reserves			11,427	17,260
Total Source Water Risk Management Service	76,679	64,500	61,427	67,460	Total Source Water Risk Management Service	76,679	64,500	61,427	67,460

	Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved 2020 Budget	2020 Actual	Approved 2021 Budget	Draft 2022 Budget
Fleet & Equipment Management					Fleet & Equipment Management				
Salary, wages & benefits	11,072	7,432	8,000	8,504	Municipal Levy	_			
Contracts & Services	18,500	20,346	19,000	25,000	CAA S39				
Materials & Supplies	30,000	20,445	30,000	30,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants				
Training & Workshops					Services & Sales	81,375	66,057	90,500	83,500
To Reserves	21,803	17,834	33,500	19,996	From Reserves				
Total Fleet & Equipment Management	81,375	66,057	90,500	83,500	Total Fleet & Equipment Management	81,375	66,057	90,500	83,500
Total Operating Budget	2,961,597	2,838,353	3,111,511	\$3,245,231	Total Operating Budget	2,961,597	2,838,353	3,111,510	3,245,231
Total Operations Budget Expenses					Total Operations Budget Funding				
Salary, wages & benefits	2,121,288	1,957,723	2,295,069	2,443,689	Municipal Levy	1,380,597	1,380,597	1,432,136	1,515,330
Contracts & Services	229,702	180,356	201,764	215,470	CAA S39	37,325	37,055	37,056	37,056
Vehicles & Equipment	94,025	66,859	90,500	83,500	MECP (DWSP)	186,811	203,963	181,804	188,660
Materials & Supplies	252,100	209,546	224,220	226,371	Agreements, MOUs and Grants	163,500	271,020	223,413	140,625
Training & Workshops	22,650	7,311	18,000	15,000	Services & Sales	1,133,914	921,217	1,073,902	1,093,904
Donations	3,200	3,080	100	100	Donations	7,450	3,991	6,600	1,600
Other	168,800	179,228	184,875	216,105	Interest & Gains	2,000	5,364	4,000	2,000
To Reserves	69,832	182,029		44,996	From Reserves	50,000	15,147	152,599	239,195
To Deferred Revenue/Surplus		52,222			From Surplus				26,861
Total Operating Budget	2,961,597	2,838,353	3,111,511	3,245,231	Total Operating Budget	2,961,597	2,838,353	3,111,510	3,245,231

GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY 2022 PROPOSED CAPITAL BUDGET **EXPENSES** FUNDING

WATER MANAGEMENT	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget	AVATED MANAGEMENT	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget
WATER MANAGEMENT			WATER MANAGEMENT		
Flood Forecasting & Warning To Reserves	25,000	25,000	Flood Forecasting & Warning Municipal Levy	25,000	25,000
10 (1636) (163	25,000	23,000	ividilicipal Levy	25,000	23,000
Clendenan Log replacement Phase 1			Clendenan Log replacement Phase 1		
Materials and Supplies		5,000	Reserves		5,000
Jet Winches for Clendenan			Jet Winches for Clendenan		
Materials and Supplies		9,000	Reserves		9,000
WATER MANAGEMENT Subtotal	25,000	39,000	WATER MANAGEMENT Subtotal	25,000	39,000
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CONSERVATION LANDS Policy/Operations			CONSERVATION LANDS Policy/Operations		
Entrance Signs			Entrance Signs		
Contracts & Services	19,600	4,800	Municipal Levy	4,800	4,800
			Reserves	14,800	-
Chirit Dook Washroom Harrada /Catahayas	I		Cairit Dool Washroom Ungrade /Catchause		
Spirit Rock - Washroom Upgrade/Gatehouse Contracts & Services	10,000		Spirit Rock - Washroom Upgrade/Gatehouse Reserves	10,000	
COITH acts & Services	10,000	-	Sales and Services	10,000	-
			Sales allu Sei vices	-	-
Bruce's Caves - Washroom Upgrade/Gatehouse			Bruce's Caves - Washroom Upgrade/Gatehouse		
Contracts & Services	10,000	-	Municipal Levy		-
			Reserves	10,000	-
Lake Charles Machine and Dansayal	ı		Lake Charles Machine and Danes al		
Lake Charles - Washroom Removal			Lake Charles - Washroom Removal		

EXPENSES FUNDING

Contracts & Services	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget 2,000	Municipal Levy Sales and Services Reserves	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget 2,000
Indian Falls - Washroom Upgrades			Indian Falls - Washroom Upgrades		
Contracts & Services	15,000		Municipal Levy	_	
			Agreements/MOUs/Grants	7,500	
			Sales and Services		
			Reserves	7,500	
Fourtham Machine			For carehorn Weekraam		
Feversham Washroom Contracts and Services		5,000	Feversham Washroom Municipal Levy		5,000
Contracts and Services	-	5,000	Donations		5,000
			Reserves		
			Sales and Service		
Various - Stone Repointing Projects			Various - Stone Repointing Projects		
Contracts & Services	6,000	6,000	Reserves	6,000	6,000
CONSERVATION LANDS Subtotal	60,600	17,800	CONSERVATION LANDS Subtotal	60,600	17,800
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Administration, Finance & Human Resources			Administration, Finance & Human Resources		
Admin Centre refurbish - Phase 1 & 2			Admin Centre refurbish Phase 1 & 2		
Contracts & Services	20,000	100,000	Reserves	20,000	100,000
Admin Centre refurbish - Phase 1 & 2	20,000	100,000	Admin Centre refurbish Phase 1 & 2	20,000	100,000

EXPENSES FUNDING

Admin Centre - Office Furniture	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget	Admin Centre - Office Furniture	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget
Materials and Supplies	6,000	5,000	Municipal Levy	6,000	2,000
acanacanacappines	0,000	5,555	Reserves	3,000	3,000
Administration, Finance & Human Resources			Administration, Finance & Human Resources		
Subtotal	26,000	105,000	Subtotal	26,000	105,000
GIS, Information Management & Information			GIS, Information Management & Information		
Technology - 2021 Servers Materials & Supplies			Technology - 2021 Servers From Reserves	6,000	
Equipment	6,000		HOIII Keserves	0,000	
GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - GPS Units/Tablets			GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - GPS Units		
Materials & Supplies	500	1,000	From Reserves		
			Municipal Levy	500	1,000
GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - 2020 Screen			GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - 2020 Smart Screen		
Equipment			Municipal Levy		
GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - Workstations			GIS, Information Management & Information Technology - Workstations		
Materials & Supplies	6,000	9,000	Municipal Levy	6,000	4,500
			Reserves		4,500
GIS, Information Management & Information	40.775	40.05-	GIS, Information Management & Information	10.555	40.055
Technology - Subtotal	12,500	10,000	Technology - Subtotal	12,500	10,000

EXPENSES FUNDING

	Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget		Approved Budget 2021	Draft 2022 Budget
Fleet & Equipment Management			Fleet & Equipment Management		
Vehicles & Equipment	60,000	35,000	Services & Sales		
To Lands Operations			From Reserves	60,000	35,000
Fleet & Equipment Management Subtotal	60,000	35,000	Fleet & Equipment Management Subtotal	60,000	35,000
Total Proposed Capital Budget	184,100	206,800	Total Proposed Capital Budget	184,100	206,800
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Total Capital Budget			Total Capital Budget		
Salary, wages & benefits			Municipal Levy	42,300	42,300
Contracts & Services	80,600	117,800	CAA S39		
Vehicles & Equipment	60,000	35,000	MECP (DWSP)		
Materials & Supplies	18,500	29,000	Agreements, MOUs and Grants	7,500	-
Training & Workshops			Services & Sales	-	-
Donations			Donations	-	-
Other	-	-	Interest & Gains		
To Reserves	25,000	25,000	From Reserves	134,300	164,500
To Deferred Revenue			From Deferred Revenue		
Total Capital Budget	184,100	206,800	Total Capital Budget	184,100	206,800

APPENDIX #3

LEVY FOR INDIVIDUAL MUNICIPALITIES

				•			Proposed	Proposed	Proposed		Quarterly
	2020	2020	2021	2021	2021		2022	2022	Levy		Levy
	Modified C.V.A.	Portion of	Modified C.V.A.	Portion of	Levy /\$1000	2021	Levy /\$1000	Levy	Increase	% Increase	
	in Watershed	Watershed	in Watershed	Watershed	of Mod.CVA	Levy	of Mod.CVA				
Arran-Elderslie	400,710,785	0.02740	403,269,641	0.02711	0.10081	40,397.30	0.10471	42,225.64	1,828.34	4.5259%	10,556.41
Blue Mountains	3,959,316,579	0.27072	4,106,572,322	0.27606	0.10081	399,154.94	0.10471	429,991.80	30,836.87	7.7255%	107,497.95
Chatsworth	457,639,550	0.03129	461,673,369	0.03103	0.10081	46,136.52	0.10471	48,340.99	2,204.47	4.7781%	12,085.25
Georgian Bluffs	1,889,905,745	0.12922	1,914,604,760	0.12871	0.10081	190,529.15	0.10471	200,474.82	9,945.68	5.2200%	50,118.71
Grey Highlands	1,235,060,509	0.08445	1,252,204,181	0.08418	0.10081	124,511.51	0.10471	131,116.05	6,604.54	5.3044%	32,779.01
Meaford	2,003,710,120	0.13700	2,024,344,410	0.13608	0.10081	202,002.23	0.10471	211,965.46	9,963.23	4.9322%	52,991.37
Owen Sound	2,660,387,857	0.18190	2,682,873,187	0.18035	0.10081	268,204.61	0.10471	280,918.83	12,714.22	4.7405%	70,229.71
South Bruce Peninsula	2,018,568,370	0.13802	2,030,370,885	0.13649	0.10081	203,500.15	0.10471	212,596.49	9,096.33	4.4699%	53,149.12
	14,625,299,515		14,875,912,755		·	1,474,436.40		1,557,630.08	83,193.68		

inc in modified CVA	1.714%
C.V.A. = Current Value Assessment	

5.64% Overall percentage levy increase



Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-116
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY	

WHEREAS GSCA Staff presented the 2022 Draft Budget to the Board of Directors for review and discussion at the September 2022 Full Authority meeting,

AND WHEREAS GSCA Staff have, upon consideration of Board of Director comments and other market factors, prepared a final 2022 Draft Budget for the Board of Directors' consideration,

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority received the 2022 Draft Budget,

AND FURTHER THAT Staff be directed to distribute the 2022 Draft Budget and Budget Companion to member municipalities for the minimum 30-day review period.



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Tim Lanthier, CAO

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 046-2021

Subject: Overview of Conservation Authorities Act Phase 1 Regulations

(686/21, 687/21 and 688/21)

Recommendation:

WHEREAS on October 4, 2021, the Province of Ontario released Phase 1 of the new Regulations to the Conservation Authorities Act (686/21, 687/21 and 688/21),

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors receive this report as information.

Strategic Initiative:

This item is related to all of GSCA's Strategic Initiatives and overall operations.

Background:

Since 2015, there have been several changes to the Conservation Authorities Act. Many of these changes remain yet to be proclaimed, pending appropriate regulations to facilitate the legislation.

Over the course of 2020, the Provincial Government considered and proposed several additional changes to the legislation. On December 8, 2020, omnibus Bill 229 received Royal Assent. This Bill included further changes to the Conservation Authorities Act (CAA). Upon Royal Assent, several portions of the Act were immediately brought into effect.

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On February 2, 2021, the Provincial Government proclaimed several additional sections of the Act.

In April 2021, GSCA Staff brought forward a report to the Board of Directors (Staff Report 013-2021) detailing these changes. Several portions of the legislation are yet to be proclaimed as they require accompanying regulations.

On May 13, 2021, the Province released a high-level consultation guide to receive feedback on some of these proposed regulations. The guide is entitled, "Regulatory Proposal Consultation Guide: Regulations Defining Core Mandate and Improving Governance, Oversight and Accountability of Conservation Authorities" (herein, "the Guide"). Staff reported on this at the June 23, 2021 meeting in Staff Report 027-2021.

On October 4, 2021, following the receipt of feedback to the ERO posting, and the ongoing efforts of the Conservation Authorities Working Group, the Province of Ontario has released the following regulations:

- 1. Ontario Regulation 686/21 Mandatory Programs and Services
- 2. Ontario Regulation 687/21 Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services Under Section 21.1.2 of the Act
- 3. Ontario Regulation 688/21 Rules of Conduct in Conservation Areas

An addendum report has been attached to this Staff Report which provides an overview of the regulations.

Discussion:

Staff have reviewed the new regulations and highlight the following items for information and/or discussion:

- 1. The timelines for the Transition Period deliverables have been updated. These are detailed in the addendum report.
- 2. The Provincial Water Quality Monitoring Program (PWQMN) and the Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Program (PGMN) have been added as mandatory programs. This reflects a longstanding monitoring partnership between conservation authorities and the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.
- 3. The requirement for a Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy has been added as a mandatory program. This program requirement is important in

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that it reflects the value of the watershed-based approach to resource management. However, it is expected that this component will add to the existing workload of the organization.

- 4. The regulations do not require the Authority to establish a Community Advisory Board as previously expected. This requirement was included in the draft consultation guide but was not carried forward into regulation. This is a positive move by the Province. Conservation authorities retain the ability to strike Advisory Boards as they see fit but this no longer a requirement.
- Passive recreational uses have been included in the mandatory portion of the Management of Conservation Lands. GSCA was very vocal about including these programs and services as mandatory based on the extensive trail systems that GSCA manages and the tremendous value that these provide to our community.
- 6. Authorities are not required to complete management plans for every property or group of properties as previously expected. This requirement was included in the draft consultation guide but was not carried forward into regulation. Although management planning is an integral part of land management, GSCA had significant concerns about the timelines that would be associated with these plans if the Province prescribed them into regulation.
- 7. The following items are required to be completed by conservation authorities by December 31, 2024:
 - a. Ice Management Plan(s),
 - b. Natural hazard infrastructure operational management plan(s),
 - c. Natural hazard infrastructure asset management plan(s),
 - d. A conservation area strategy,
 - e. A conservation land inventory, and,
 - f. A watershed-based resource management strategy.
- 8. The new Section 29 Regulation (O.Reg. 688/21 Rules of Conduct in Conservation Areas) remains largely unchanged from the current iteration and did not factor in any of the requested changes that GSCA and others had recommended to improve enforceability of the legislation.

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Financial/Budget Implications:

There are no immediate financial implications associated with the new regulations

These new regulations will change the look and function of future budget documents as we work to align the new budget with the new requirement to break different program and service areas out differently than we currently do. More information will be provided on this in a future Staff report to the Board.

Communication Strategy:

GSCA will provide quarterly updates to MECP stating in July 2022, as per the regulations.

Additionally, GSCA will upload the workplan, the transition plan, the list of programs and services, and ultimately the signed agreements to our website for access by the public.

Consultation:

The CAO has been in consultation with Conservation Ontario and Ontario's other Conservation Authorities, as well as municipal staff and councils. Ongoing consultation will continue to include staff and Councils from member and county municipalities, as well as the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

Tim Lanthier

From: ca.office (MECP) < ca.office@ontario.ca> Sent: Thursday, October 7, 2021 3:54 PM

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Subject: Regulations under the Conservation Authorities Act - Ministry of the Environment,

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Good afternoon:

As part of Ontario's efforts to implement amendments to the Conservation Authorities Act made in 2019/2020 to ensure that conservation authorities focus and deliver on their mandates of protecting people and property from flooding and other natural hazards, and conserving natural resources, three (3) new regulations have been made under the Conservation Authorities Act.

- Ontario Regulation 686/21: Mandatory Programs and Services. This regulation prescribes the mandatory programs and services conservation authorities would be required to provide, including core watershed-based resource management strategies.
- Ontario Regulation 687/21: Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services Under Section 21.1.2 of the Act. This regulation requires each authority to have a 'transition plan' that would outline the steps to be taken to develop an inventory of programs and services and to enter into agreements with participating municipalities to fund nonmandatory programs and services through a municipal levy, among other things. It also establishes the transition period to enter into those agreements.
- Ontario Regulation 688/21: Rules of Conduct in Conservation Areas. This regulation consolidates the current individual conservation authority 'Conservation Area' regulations made under Section 29 of the Conservation Authorities Act into one Minister's regulation that regulates the public use of authority owned land.

The new regulations will focus conservation authorities on their core mandate by prescribing mandatory programs and services they must provide, giving municipalities greater control over which conservation authority non-mandatory programs and services they will fund, and will consolidate "conservation areas" regulations. A decision notice is available on the Environmental Registry of Ontario (notice number 019-2986).

The regulations reflect extensive comments received on the regulatory proposals posted on the Environmental Registry of Ontario for 45 days from May 13, 2021 until June 27, 2021. We received 444 submissions from municipalities, conservation authorities, Indigenous communities and organizations, environmental non-government organizations, community groups, industry, agricultural sector, and individuals. We also held 3 webinars with ministry staff in which over 500 people attended. All the feedback received during the consultation period was considered, and the final regulations were modified based on this feedback as follows:

- We extended the timeline that conservation authorities must complete the transition to the new funding framework to January 1, 2024.
- We clarified the requirements for municipal involvement in the preparation of the inventory of programs and services.
- We added the requirement for conservation authorities to provide costing information (e.g. total costs for the last 5 years) to deliver all mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services.
- We included low-maintenance passive recreation like trails, day use parks and picnicking areas in the list of mandatory programs and services.
- We provided an extended timeline for specific deliverables (i.e. core watershed-based resource management strategy) under the mandatory programs and services regulation (i.e. to be completed on or before December 31, 2024).

 We removed the requirement for conservation authorities to have community advisory boards (they will continue to be optional for conservation authorities). For clarity, conservation authorities will still have the opportunity for an agriculture representative to be appointed by the Minister.

These regulations will improve conservation and land management efforts, strengthen Ontario's resilience to climate change, ensure continued access to safe drinking water, protect people and property from extreme weather events like flooding, drought, and erosion, and most importantly protect the environment.

Thank you again for your input. You can reach the ministry at ca.office@ontario.ca if you have any questions. The Ministry will also be organizing webinars to answer technical questions in October. I look forward to continuing to work with you to ensure conservation authorities are in the best position to deliver on their core mandate.

Sincerely,

Kirsten Corrigal
Director, Conservation and Source Protection Branch

Overview of Conservation Authorities Act Phase 1 Regulations

Regulations 686/21, 687/21 and 688/21







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Ontario Regulation 687/21: Transition Plans and Agreements for Programs and Services under Section 21.1.2 of the Act

This regulation came into force October 1, 2021. The key components and deadlines for the *Transition Plan and Agreements Regulation (O.Reg. 687/21)* are detailed below. The purpose of the transition period is to provide conservation authorities and municipalities with the time to address changes to the budgeting and levy process based on the delivery of mandatory programs and services (Category 1), municipal programs and services (Category 2), and other programs and services (Category 3), and to reach agreements.

There are four key elements that will need to be addressed during/for the transition period.

- 1. Transition Plan. To be completed by December 31, 2021. The transition plan includes a timeline/workplan to meet the requirements for the first and second phases of the transition period. A copy of the transition plan must be sent to each participating municipality, to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks and be published onto the authority's website or made available to the public by other means.
- 2. Inventory of Programs and Services. To be completed by February 28, 2022. The inventory should list all the programs and services that the authority is providing as of February 28, 2022, and those that it intends to provide after that date. The inventory should include information about the sources of funding for the program or service and should categorize it based on the following: 1 mandatory programs and services; 2 municipal programs and services; and 3 other programs and services.
- Consultation on Inventory and Cost Apportioning Agreements/Memoranda of Understanding. This is the second phase of the transition period. To be completed by January 1, 2024. The conservation authorities will consult with participating municipalities on the inventory of programs and services.
 - The conservation authority will then take the necessary steps to enter into agreements/MOUs with municipalities for category 2 and 3 programs and services where municipal funding will be required.
- 4. Progress Reports and Final Report. Conservation authorities are to submit six quarterly progress reports to the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks on July 1, 2022, October 1, 2022, January 1, 2023, April 1, 2023, July 1, 2023 and October 1, 2023. The progress reports will include any comments received/changes to the inventory, an update on the progress of negotiations of cost apportioning agreements, and any difficulties that the authority is experiencing with concluding the requirements prior to the end of the Transition Period. A final report is to be submitted to MECP and each participating municipality by January 31, 2024 including the final version of the Inventory of Programs and Services and confirmation that the authority has entered into all necessary cost apportioning agreements.



Transition Plans & Agreements Regulation Timeline Overview

Prescribed Dates	Key Deliverables
December 31, 2021	Transition Plan
February 28, 2022	Inventory of Programs and Services
July 1, 2022 - October 1, 2023	Quarterly Progress Reports: Status of Inventory and Agreement Negotiations
October 1, 2023	Request for Extension
January 1, 2024	Transition Date: All required MOU's/Agreements to be implemented
January 31, 2024	Final Report: Final Inventory and Statement of Compliance Re: Agreements
December 31, 2024	Mandatory Programs and Services Deliverables to be completed



Ontario Regulation 686/21: Mandatory Programs and Services

Summary

This regulation will come into force January 1, 2022. Mandatory Programs and Services are outlined under each of these categories:

- Natural Hazards,
- Conservation Lands,
- Source Protection,
- Lake Simcoe,
- Other Legislation NBMCA and Ontario Building Code Act
- Prescribed in Regulation Core Watershed-based Resource Management Strategy, Provincial
- Water Quality and Quantity Monitoring

The mandatory programs and services (Category 1) are required to be delivered and are eligible for general municipal levy, noting that some programs and services state, "as advisable" (eg: Ice Management).

There are six deliverables associated with the mandatory programs and services that have been provided a due date of December 31, 2024, to enable more time, where necessary, to complete them, including:

- Ice management plans(s),
- Natural hazard infrastructure operational management plan(s),
- Natural hazard infrastructure asset management plan(s),
- A conservation area strategy,
- A conservation land inventory, and,
- A watershed-based resource management strategy.

All other mandatory programs and services are expected to be in place by January 1, 2024.



Detailed Overview of Mandatory Programs and Services

Risk of Natural Hazards

General Programs and Services:

- 1. Provide programs and services related to:
 - a. Dynamic Beach hazard
 - b. Erosion hazard
 - c. Flooding hazard
 - d. Hazardous lands
 - e. Hazardous sites
 - f. Low Water or Drought Conditions
- 2. Design Programs and Services to achieve the following objectives:
 - a. Develop awareness of, understand the risks, manage the risks and promote public awareness of natural hazards for:
 - i. Wetlands
 - ii. River or stream valleys
 - iii. Great Lakes shorelines
 - iv. Unstable soils or bedrock
- 3. Collection, provide and manage information enabling the Authority to:
 - a. Delineate and map natural hazards
 - b. Study hydrology and hydraulics
 - c. Study stream morphology
 - d. Study potential effects of climate change on natural hazards
 - e. Study the management of natural hazards
- 4. Consult on the development of these Programs and Services

Flood Forecasting and Warning

- 1. Provide programs and services related to flood forecasting and warning
 - a. Maintain information on hydrology of areas vulnerable to flooding events
 - b. Develop operating procedures
 - c. Maintain stream flow network
 - d. Monitor weather and climate information
 - e. Analysis of local surface water conditions
 - f. Communications
 - g. Provision of ongoing information and advice



Drought or Low Water Response

- 1. Programs and Services related to drought and low water response.
 - a. Maintain information on hydrology of areas vulnerable to flooding events
 - b. Develop operating procedures
 - c. Maintain stream flow network
 - d. Monitor weather and climate information
 - e. Analysis of local surface water conditions
 - f. Gathering information to determine when low water levels exist
 - g. Communications
 - h. Provision of ongoing information and advice

Ice Management

- 1. Programs and services related to ice management
 - a. Development and implementation of an ice management plan on or before December 31, 2024, that identifies:
 - i. How ice increases the risk of natural hazards
 - ii. Steps necessary for mitigating these risks
 - b. Updates to ice management plan as necessary

Infrastructure

- 1. Programs and services that support the operation, maintenance, repair and decommissioning of the following types of infrastructure:
 - a. Water control infrastructure which mitigates flooding or assists in flow augmentation.
 - b. Erosion control infrastructure
- 2. Programs and services shall include the following:
 - a. Development and implementation of an operational plan by December 31, 2024.
 - b. Development and implementation of an AMP by December 31, 2024
 - c. Undertaking any technical or engineering studies necessary

Comment Re: Applications and/or Proposals

- 1. Programs and Services to enable the authority to review proposals under the following Acts for risks related to natural hazards:
 - a. Aggregate Resources Act
 - b. Drainage Act
 - c. Environmental Assessment Act
 - d. Niagara Escarpment Planning and Development Act



Plan Review Comments

- 1. Programs and services to ensure that the authority satisfies its functions under the Planning Act (on behalf of NDMNRF or as a Public Body) to ensure:
 - Consistency with natural hazards policies of policy statements under Section 3 of the Planning Act
 - Conformity with natural hazards policies of provincial plans under Section 1 of the Planning Act
- 2. These functions and responsibilities include:
 - a. Reviewing applications and providing comments, technical support or information to the planning authority
 - b. When requested, providing comments directly to MMAH
 - c. When requested, providing advice, technical support, training and any information the municipality or planning board requires
 - d. Apprising MMAH of applications or matters under the Planning Act that should be brought to the attention of the Province of Ontario.
 - e. Providing technical input and participating in provincial review of Special Policy Area applications
 - f. When requested by MMAH, supporting the Ministry in appeals at the OLT
 - g. Undertaking appeals to the OLT of decisions under the Planning Act

Administering and Enforcing the Act

1. Provide programs and services that satisfy duties, functions and responsibilities to administer and enforce the provisions of Parts VI and VII of the Act and any regulations made under those parts. (Section 28 and 29 regulations).



Conservation and Management of Lands

General

- 1. Programs and Services provided by an authority with respect to the conservation and management of lands, including:
 - a. A conservation area strategy for all lands owned or controlled by an authority
 - b. Programs and services to secure the authority's interests in lands including:
 - i. Fencing
 - ii. Signage
 - iii. Patrolling
 - iv. Measures to prevent unlawful entry
 - v. Measures to protect the authority from exposure to the Occupiers' Liability Act
 - c. Programs and services to maintain any facilities, trails or other amenities that support public access and recreational activities
 - d. Programs and services to enable the authority, as a landowner, to make applications or comment on matters under the Planning Act
 - e. Programs and services to conserve, protect, rehabilitate, establish and manage natural heritage located within lands owned or controlled by the authority
 - f. Programs and services to plant trees on land owned or controlled by the authority, excluding commercial logging
 - g. The development of land acquisition and disposition policies.
 - h. A land inventory.
 - i. Programs and services to carry out the duties, functions and responsibilities to administer Section 29 regulations.

Conservation Areas Strategy

- 1. Preparation of a Conservation Areas Strategy by December 31, 2024, which includes:
 - a. Objectives to inform decision-making related to conservation authority lands
 - b. Identification of mandatory and non-mandatory programs and services provided on land owned by the authority.
 - c. An assessment of how the lands augment any natural heritage located within the authority's jurisdiction.
 - d. An assessment of how the lands integrate with provincial or municipal lands and other publicly accessible lands and trails within the jurisdiction of the authority.
 - e. The establishment of land use categories
 - f. A process for periodic review and updating of the strategy, including consultation
- Strategy must be made public.



Land Inventory

- 1. Preparation of a land inventory by December 31, 2024, which includes:
 - a. Location of the parcel
 - b. Identification of information the authority in its possession (surveys, site plans, maps)
 - c. Acquisition date
 - d. Section 39 grant information, if relevant
 - e. Expropriation information, if relevant
 - f. Property ownership details, including easements
 - g. Identification of land use categories
 - h. Identification of programs and services on the property to determine if a supervised recreational activity or commercial logging operation is carried out on the parcel.
 - i. A process for periodic review and update



Other Mandatory Programs and Services

Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network (PGMN)

The Authority shall perform the following functions and responsibilities with respect to supporting the implementation and enhancement of the Ministry's PGMN program:

- Collecting groundwater samples
- Submitting samples and associated site information
- Collecting in-field groundwater data and weather data
- Maintaining the sites for safety and access
- Complying with the Ministry's procedures
- Deploying, removing, operating, calibrating and maintaining equipment
- Administrative Support
- Cost sharing on construction or decommissioning of monitoring wells
- Establishing and maintaining agreements for wells on non-CA property
- Participating in training and workshops

Provincial Water Quality Monitoring Network (PWQMN)

The Authority shall perform the following functions and responsibilities with respect to supporting the implementation and enhancement of the Ministry's PGMN program:

- Collecting stream samples
- Submitting samples and associated site information
- Collecting in-field stream data
- Maintaining the sites for safety and access
- Deploying, removing, operating, calibrating and maintaining equipment
- Participating in training and workshops

Watershed-Based Resource Management Strategy

The Authority shall develop and implement a watershed-based resource management strategy on or before December 31, 2024. This strategy shall include:

- Guiding principles and objectives that inform the design and delivery.
- A summary of existing technical studies, monitoring programs and other information on the natural resources within the watershed that informs and supports program delivery.
- A review of the Authority's programs and services.
 - o Determine if programs and services comply with regulations.
 - Identify and analyze risks that limit the effectiveness of the delivery of these programs and services.
 - o Identify actions to address the issues and mitigate risk, including costs estimates.
- A process for periodic review of the Strategy.
- Strategy shall only include mandatory programs and self-funded programs unless the respective MOU's state that other programs may be included.



Source Protection Authority under the Clean Water Act, 2006

An Authority shall provide programs and services to ensure that it carries out its duties, functions and responsibilities as a Source Protection Authority under the Clean Water Act, including programs and services that support the Authority's ability to carry out these actions.

Specifically, the Authority shall:

- Operate a Source Protection Committee for the region.
- Fulfill the obligations of the Source Protection Region.
- Amend Source Protection Plans as necessary.
- Assist in the review of Source Protection Plans.
- Implementing any policy items in a Source Protection Plan for which the Authority has been designated.
- Respond to inquiries relating to the Clean Water Act, The relevant Source Protection Plan, and any of the Authority's duties, functions and responsibilities under the Act.
- Conduct assessments to ensure currency of the Source Protection Plan.
- Assist in coordinating implementation of the Source Protection Plan.
- Provide review and comment on proposals made under other Acts, as they may relate to significant drinking water threats or potential impacts on drinking water sources.



Ontario Regulation 688/21: Rules of Conduct in Conservation Areas

The timeline for this regulation to come into force is to be determined. It will be enacted at the same time as the new Section 28 regulation and when the enforcement and offences provisions of the Conservation Authorities Act are enacted. This regulation consolidates all Conservation Authority Section 29 regulations into one Minister's Regulation. The new Section 29 regulation essentially maintains business as usual with no substantive updates.



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Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

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October 27, 2021

WHEREAS on October 4, 2021, the Province of Ontario released Phase 1 of the new Regulations to the Conservation Authorities Act (686/21, 687/21 and 688/21),

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors receive this report as information.



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Valerie Coleman, Administrative Assistant

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 047-2021

Subject: Updated GSCA Land Acknowledgment

Recommendation:

WHEREAS, GSCA Staff have received feedback from the SON Environmental Office on updating and focusing GSCA's Land Acknowledgement to reference specific local communities.

AND WHEREAS, The Township of Georgian Bluffs has recently developed a Land Acknowledgement that embodies these suggestions.

THAT, the GSCA Board of Directors approve the adoption of the proposed Land Acknowledgment statement as presented.

Strategic Initiative:

This item is related to the "Enhance Current Land Management" priority set out in GSCA's Strategic Plan.

Background:

Since 2019 GSCA has incorporated a land acknowledgment statement at the beginning of committee and Board of Directors meetings to recognize the traditional territory and culture of the Anishinabek and Metis peoples.

Subject: Update to GSCA Land Acknowledgment

Report No: 047-2021 Date: October 27, 2021

At the September 30th, 2021, meeting of the GSCA Indigenous Relationships Committee, members discussed the current GSCA Land Acknowledgment and the options in updating it.

Member Burley shared the Township of Georgian Bluffs' newly adopted land acknowledgment statement and suggested that it could be utilized by GSCA. The committee discussed the options and decided that with a small adaption, the Township's statement would fit the needs of GSCA.

Analysis:

The GSCA Indigenous Relationships Committee proposed changing the GSCA land acknowledgment statement to:

"We acknowledge with respect, the history, spirituality, and culture of the Anishinabek: The People of the Three Fires known as Ojibway, Odawa, and Pottawatomi Nation, who have inhabited this land from time immemorial. And further give thanks to the Chippewa of Saugeen, and the Chippewa of Nawash, now known as the Saugeen Ojibway Nation, as the traditional keepers of this land. We also recognize, the Metis whose ancestors shared this land and these waters. May we all, as Treaty People, live with respect on this land, and live-in peace and friendship with all its diverse peoples."

Financial/Budget Implications:

There are no financial or budget implications.

Communication Strategy:

There is no specific Communication Strategy associated with this report, motion or resolution.

Consultation:

Staff have been in consultation with the GSCA Indigenous Relationships Committee and the SON Environmental Office.



Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

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WHEREAS, GSCA Staff have received feedback from the SON Environmental Office on updating and focusing GSCA's Land Acknowledgement to reference specific local communities.

AND WHEREAS, The Township of Georgian Bluffs has recently developed a Land Acknowledgement that embodies these suggestions.

THAT, the GSCA Board of Directors approve the adoption of the proposed Land Acknowledgment statement as presented.



Environmental Planning Staff

Mac Plewes, Manager of Environmental Planning

Justine Lunt, Environmental Planner

Jake Bousfield-Bastedo, Watershed Planner

Olivia Sroka, Intermediate Planner

Payton Hofstetter, Planning Technician (Vacant as of Nov 1st)

Environmental Planning

What is the role of the Environmental Planning Department?

- 1. Plan Input & Planning Application Review
- Review and comment on municipal plans, zoning by-laws and municipal planning applications, NEC Applications
- Delegated to represent provincial interest in plan review for natural hazards
- MOU with member municipalities to comment on natural heritage and water policies
- Technical review

Environmental Planning

What is the role of the Environmental Planning Department?

- 2. Ontario Regulation 151/06
- Regulatory responsibility under the Conservation Authorities Act
- Permission required for development, interference with wetland, and alterations to shorelines and watercourses
- Mapping of regulated features and areas
- Compliance and enforcement

Environmental Planning

Additional Functions

Plan the Bruce Natural Heritage Advisory Committee

City of Owen Sound Climate Change Adaptation Project

Indigenous Relationships Committee

Source Water Protection

Conservation Ontario Coordinated Comments for Provincial and Federal Consultations

Aggregate Resource Act Review

Environmental Assessment Review

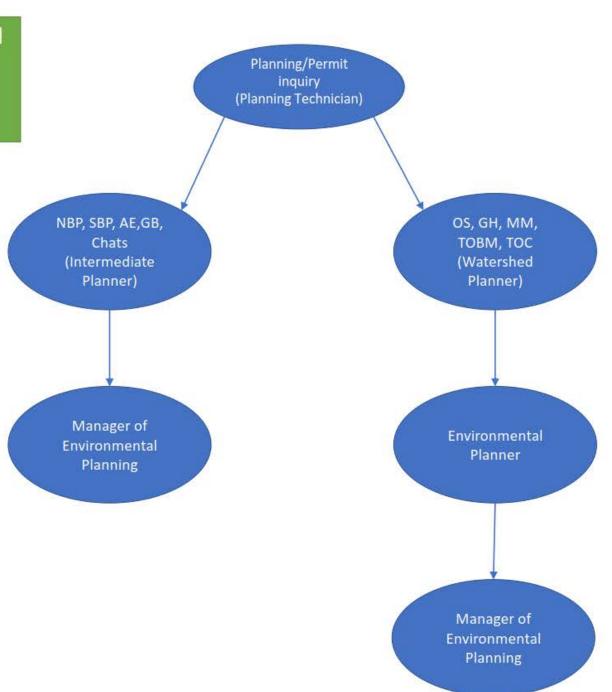
2021 Volumes – January 1st to October 20th

- 192 Planning Act applications and 41 NEC applications
- Completed 123 pre-consultation, regulation inquiries and site review letters
- Received 413 permit applications under Ontario Regulation 151/06
- 630 Online Inquiry Form submission (Since April 6, 2021)

Flowchart of planning and permit inquiries
(Website inquiry form or PlanningPermits email)

Regulation Inquiry Letters (Planning Technician)

Reported Violations (Manager of Environmental Planning)



Planning Technician to screen and respond to inquiries, request additional information and triage to planners as needed.

Intermediate Planner and Watershed Planner are next level based on municipality.

More complex inquiries or questions on responses will be directed to Manager/Environmental Planner

Flowchart of Permit Permit application is **Application Submission Permit Application** (Online form/email/paper Submission copy) OS, GH, MM, NBP, SBP, AE, GB, Chats товм, тос More technical review or (Intermediate (Watershed feedback to go to next Planner) Planner) OS, GH, MM Manager of товм, тос (Manager of submission if needed or Environmental (Environmental Environmental complex nature of permit Planning Planner) Planning) Manager of Environmental Planning

Flowchart of Planning
Comments, pre-circ/preconsultations, technical
studies

NBP, SBP, AE,GB,
Chats
(Intermediate
Planner)

OS, GH, MM,
TOBM, TOC
(Watershed
Planner)

Planning application
circulated by
Municipality/County/NEC
for review and comment

Planfile started and initial screening of MV, ZBA, severances, minor site plans, NEC, basic planning applications

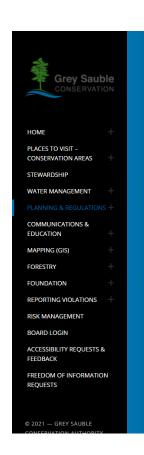
Manager of Environmental Planning OS, GH (Manager of Environmental Planning)

MM, TOBM, TOC (Environmental Planner) More complex planning applications, plans of subdivision, pits and quarries, major site plans

Manager of Environmental Planning

Environmental Planning

How to reach us?



PLEASE EXPECT LONGER THAN USUAL WAIT TIMES FOR PERMITS AND PLANNING INOUIRIES.

Planning and Regulations staff are working remotely and continue to provide service to the public, our municipalities and other stakeholders. We are still processing and reviewing applications and can issue some permits and planning comments at this time. However, site inspections for planning and permit applications will be delayed for the time being and may require a deferral of a decision to a later date.

How to Contact us

The best way to contact staff at this time is through our Planning and Permits inquiry form.

Municipalities should continue to use previously assigned emails for their respective municipality to submit planning applications and follow up correspondence

SERVICE INTERRUPTION ADVISORY

Please note that we are currently operating at a temporarily reduced capacity while also experiencing a high number of applications and inquiries at this time. Please anticipate delays in processing and response times as applications and inquiries are being handled on a first-come first-served basis.

If you have questions about whether or not your property is regulated by GSCA or are in the process of submitting a permit application, please utilize the online resources below to assist you in the meantime:

MAPPING RESOURCES

The following mapping resources are available to assist you in determining if a property is regulated by GSCA under Ontario Regulation 151/06. You can also review other mapping relevant to a property, such as Zoning By-law mapping and Official Plan mapping, through Grey County and Bruce County GIS portals.

- · GSCA regulation mapping (ON Reg 151/06)
- Grey County GIS
- · Bruce County GIS

OTHER RESOURCES

Please contact the local Municipality the property is located within to determine any Zoning and/or building requirements. Depending on the property and project location other approvals may also be required such as:

- · Niagara Escarpment Commission
- · Federal Department of Fisheries and Oceans
- · Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry

We appreciate your patience during this time.



Regulations Permit Guide

Grey Sauble Interactive

Regulation Map Viewer

Ontario Regulation 151/06

Ontario Regulation 58/13

Procedures for Planning &

Permitting Review

Grey Sauble Policies Document

GSCA website inquiry form

Website also offers a variety of resources

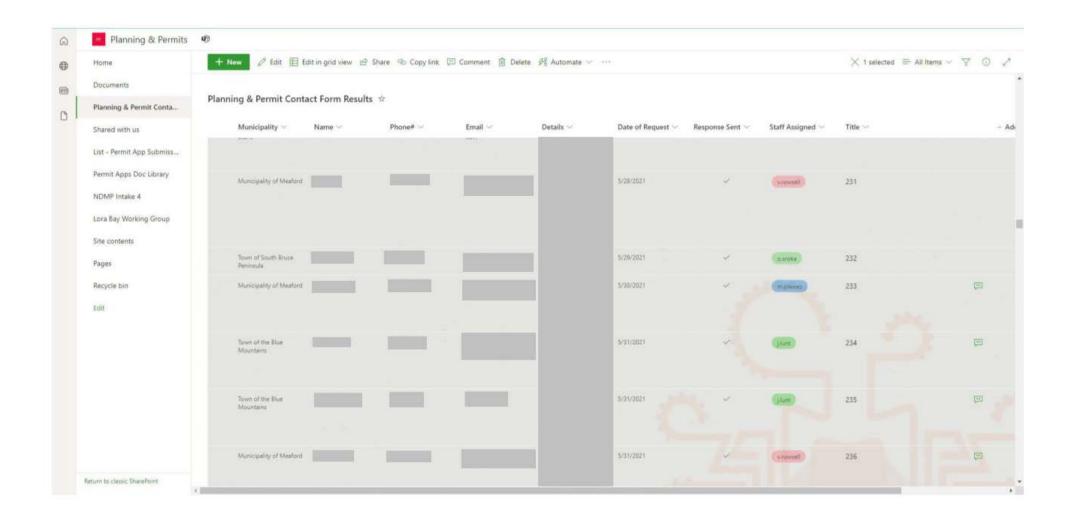
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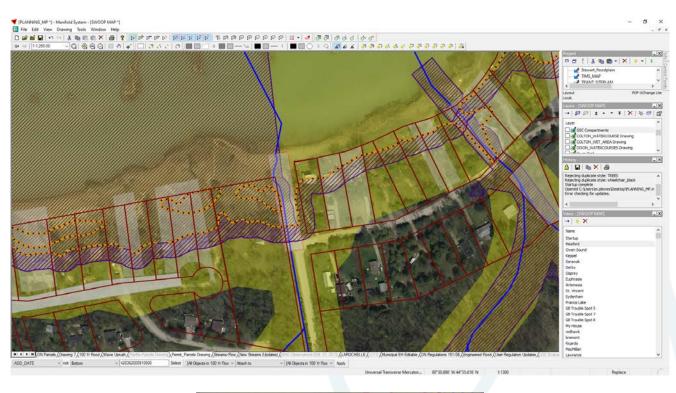
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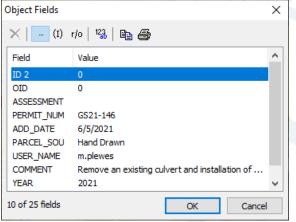
Online permit application submission

Online Inquiry Form



Integration of SharePoint, Databases and Mapping







Questions?



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Rebecca Ferguson, Manager of Conservation Lands

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 048-2021

Subject: Administrative Building RFP Update

Recommendation:

WHEREAS the GSCA Board of Director's passed resolution FA-18-094 at the October 24, 2018 Full Authority Meeting directing staff to issue an RFP to engage an architect for concept design drawings;

AND WHEREAS GSCA staff issued an RFP to this effect on August 27, 2021 and received three (3) proposals, which all came in over budget;

AND WHEREAS the Evaluation Committee consisting of the Board Chair, the CAO, the Manager of Conservation Lands and the Operations Manager reviewed the proposals per the evaluation template in the RFP;

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors direct staff to reissue the RFP with a refined scope;

Strategic Initiative:

This item is part of GSCA's corporate services that supports and assists all of GSCA's Strategic Plan deliverables and desired outcomes.

Background:

At the October 24, 2018 Board of Directors meeting, Lands Management Staff brought forward a report on the Administrative Centre building needs and wants. Staff recommended proceeding to an RFP/RFQ for concept design in line with the 2018 budget which included the use of up to \$20,000 from reserves. This motion was carried.

Subject: Administrative Building RFP Update

Report No: 048-2021 **Date:** October 27, 2021

On August 27, 2021 an RFP was issued for architectural schematics and an Order of Magnitude budget for the renovation. The RFP was posted for a three-week period on GSCA's website, on the MERX site, and on Bids and Tenders site. The RFP was also circulated directly to a handful of architectural firms. A copy of the RFP is attached to this report for reference purposes. A mandatory site visit was held on September 17, 2021, and the RFP closed two weeks following that visit.

GSCA received three qualified bid proposals for this project. The proposals were as follows:

Coolearth Architecture Inc. - \$112, 943

Green PI Inc. - \$80,795

MaNa Works - \$32,261.50

The Evaluation Committee, comprised of the Board Chair, the CAO, the Manager of Conservation Lands and the Operations Manager reviewed the proposals. Based on the results of this review and with all three firms exceeding the allotted budget, GSCA staff propose to reissue the RFP with a refined scope.

Financial/Budget Implications:

All three proposals came in over budget, so there are no financial implications at this time.

Communication Strategy:

An RFP will be reissued in January 2022 to GSCA's website, MERX, Bids and Tenders and emailed directly to architectural firms.

Consultation:

Board of Directors Chair, CAO, Operations Manager



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AND WHEREAS the Evaluation Committee consisting of the Board Chair, the CAO, the Manager of Conservation Lands and the Operations Manager reviewed the proposals per the evaluation template in the RFP;

THAT the GSCA Board of Directors direct staff to reissue the RFP with a refined scope;



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Rebecca Ferguson, Manager of Conservation Lands

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 049-2021

Subject: Ash Management along GSCA Trails – Preliminary Findings and

Future Direction

Recommendation:

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive this report as information.

Strategic Direction:

This item is related to the "Enhance Land Management" priority that was set out in the 2018 Strategic Plan.

Background:

The Emerald Ash Borer (EAB) is a non-native invasive insect that was first identified near Detroit Michigan in 2002 and shortly afterwards in Essex County Ontario. EAB is known to attack all native ash species (Fraxinus sp.) by boring into the conductive tissues (xylem and phloem) and stopping the supply of water and nutrients. Within its native range, there are several predators that sufficiently control the population size of EAB. In North America, the known predators are not able to sufficiently control its population or spread. EAB has been found throughout the GSCA watershed and is expected to be more widespread than in areas that have been identified.

It is challenging to assess the health of an EAB-infected ash tree as the decay occurs on the inside. Trees that may appear to be healthy can decline rapidly by the next season. This poses a risk to GSCA property users, especially given the number of ash trees found along trail networks (as shown in the Appendix).

Report No: 49-2021 Date: October 27, 2022

In order to come up with a plan to begin managing ash, it is important to know how many ash trees would need to be considered for removal. In the summer of 2021, GSCA operations staff mapped and marked ash trees within striking distance (approximately 20 m) of trails, as well as infrastructure at five Conservation Areas (see Appendix). The trees were rated based on their appeared health, 1 – Healthy, 2 – Stressed and 3 – Dead.

Analysis:

The desired outcomes of GSCA's Risk Management Guideline (2018), are to recognize, prioritize, and mitigate risk and liability exposure; and to incorporate a risk management culture into our processes, policies and decisions. There are a significant number of ash trees within striking distance of GSCA trails and the presence of EAB creates an increasing risk for GSCA property users.

Other agencies have addressed this issue on their properties several years ago and have recommended to remove all ash trees within striking distance, regardless of their health. Moving forward GSCA staff will:

- Continue to map and mark ash at GSCA properties with trails and infrastructure which will allow us to determine the total risk and scope of removal;
- Develop a tree removal plan, focusing first on Category 1 lands and then Category 2 as per the Risk Management Guideline;
- Connect with the Bruce Trail Conservancy on ash management along the Bruce Trail sections on GSCA lands;
- Allocate funding under property operations to hire a tree removal professional to begin removing ash on a select number of properties per year, as budget allows;
- Create a tree planting plan where tree removal occurs, in order to avoid ash regeneration.

Financial/Budget Implications:

Mapping and marking of ash trees is conducted by operations staff during risk management inspections.

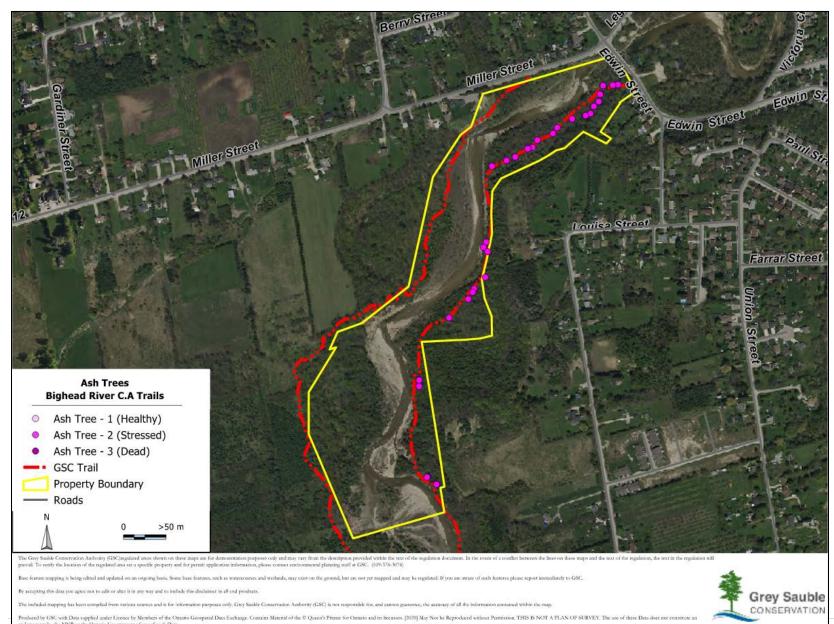
Future tree removal will need to be completed by an arborist. It will be advantageous to have all the maps completed so that a larger removal project can be contracted out. It is unknown at this time what this could cost.

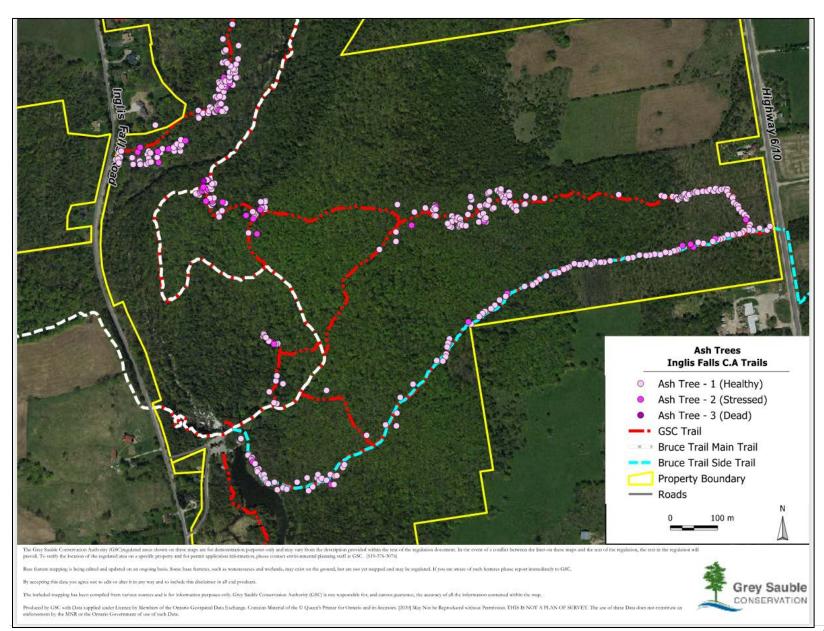
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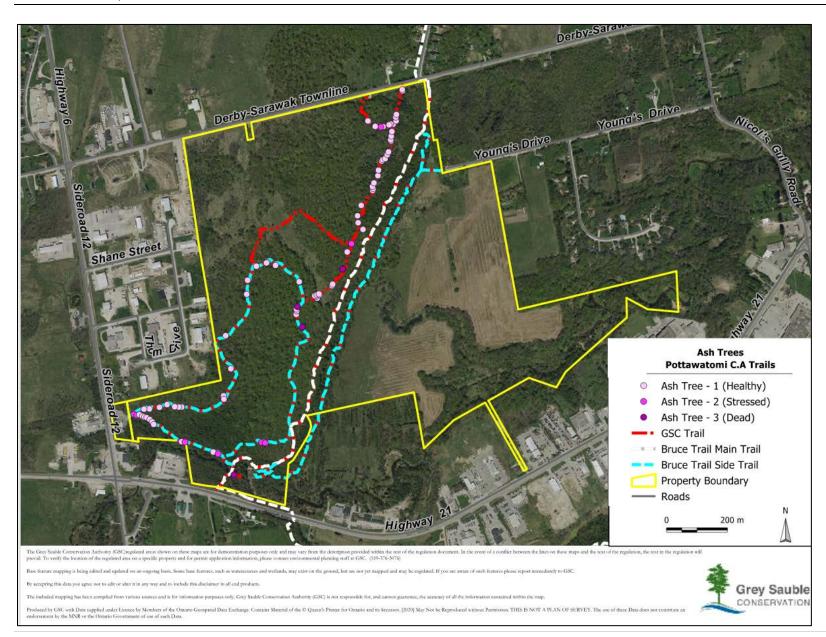
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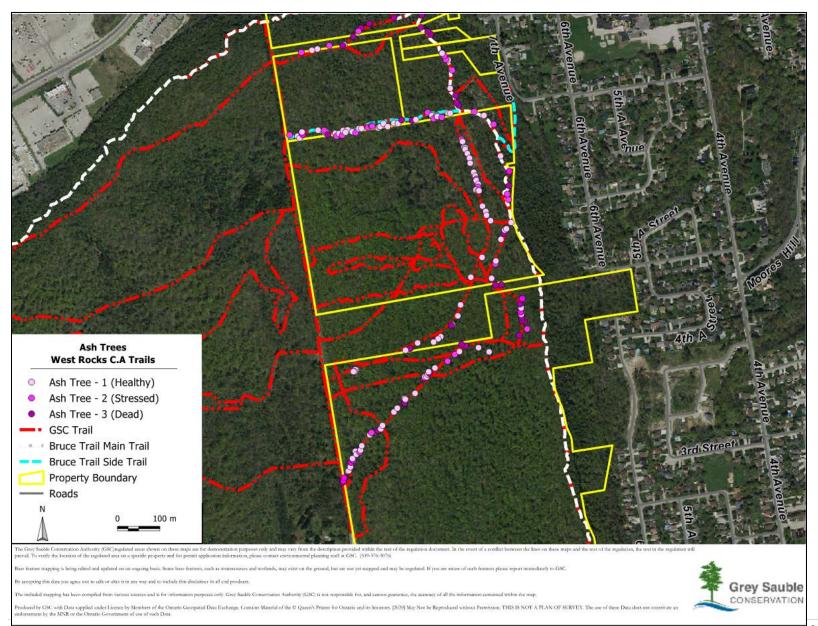
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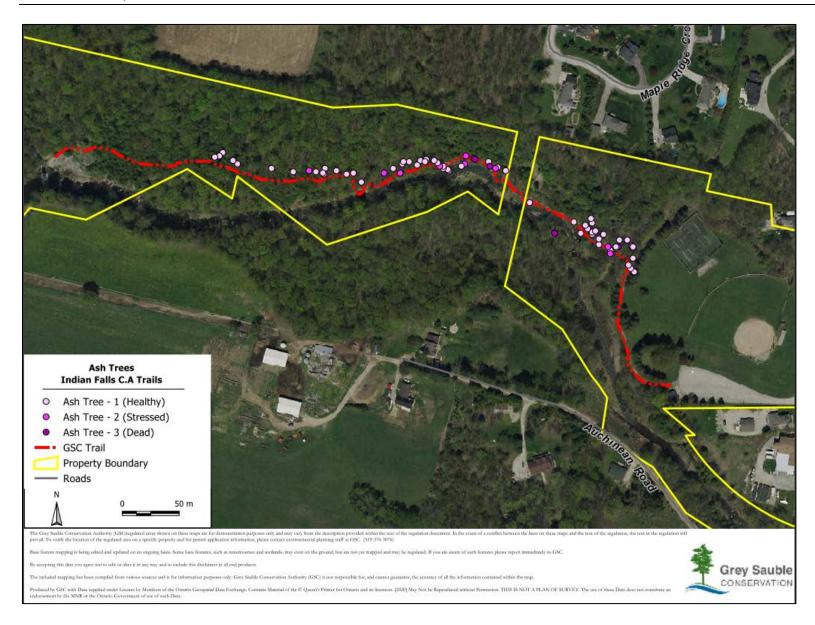
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THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive this report as information.



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Michael Fry, Forestry Coordinator

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 050-2021

Subject: Awarding of Forestry Tender – Holland Centre MA (GSC-21-02)

Recommendation:

WHEREAS Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) owns and manages over 11,300 hectares (28,000 acres) of land comprised of 207 individual properties organized into 79 groupings;

AND WHEREAS, GSCA manages nearly 5,260 hectares (13,000 acres) of forested area to offset the operating expenses of the Forestry department and GSCA;

THAT the following tender be awarded as presented at the Board of Director's meeting on October 27th, 2021.

Strategic Initiative:

This initiative applies to the GSCA Strategic Plan goal of 'Enhance Land Management and Natural Heritage Preservation.' It also falls under GSCA's Overall Desired Outcome of Healthy and Enough Forests and Habitats.

Background:

Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) owns and manages over 11,300 hectares (28,000 acres) of land throughout its watersheds. GSCA has deemed approximately 5,260 hectares (13,000 acres) suitable for forest management activities.

Forest management activities are conducted in a sustainable manner to ensure the long-term supply of wood products as well as the continual existence of values, such as

Subject: 2022 Draft Budget Report No: 050-2021 Date: October 27, 2021

wildlife habitat and wetlands. Forest management activities use the best available scientific information to ensure values are maintained.

The following table describes the location, area, and expected forest products to be harvested.

Properties	Area (hectares/acres)	Forest Products
Compartment 62 – Holland Centre MA	7.3 hectares / 18 acres	Hardwood –
		Sawlog/Firewood
Total Area Marked	7.3 hectares / 18 acres	

Financial/Budget Implications:

Revenues raised through the sale of wood products from GSCA properties are used to offset the operating expenses of GSCA.

Communication Strategy:

After the tenders are awarded, the selected bidder will be notified, and a contract will be entered into with them. Other bidders will have their deposit cheques returned and they will be informed of the selected bidder and the bid.

The results of the tendering process will be posted on the GSCA website.

Consultation:

GSCA Forestry staff, Board of Directors' Chair, CAO



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WHEREAS Grey Sauble Conservation Authority (GSCA) owns and manages over 11,300 hectares (28,000 acres) of land comprised of 207 individual properties organized into 79 groupings;

AND WHEREAS, GSCA manages nearly 5,260 hectares (13,000 acres) of forested area to offset the operating expenses of the Forestry department and GSCA;

THAT the following tender be awarded as presented at the Board of Director's meeting on October 27th, 2021.



STAFF REPORT

Report To: Board of Directors

Report From: Rebecca Ferguson, Manager of Conservation Lands (on behalf of

Morgan Barrie, Operations Manager)

Meeting Date: October 27, 2021

Report Code: 051-2021

Subject: Electric Vehicle Update

Recommendation:

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive this report as information.

Strategic Initiative:

This item is part of GSCA's corporate services that supports and assists all GSCA's Strategic Plan deliverables and desired outcomes.

Background:

GSCA had budgeted to purchase two new passenger vehicles in 2021. The tenders included an option for bidders to bid on a gas version and an electric/hybrid version. Tenders were sent out late summer to local dealerships as well as dealerships within 200km of GSCA. Seven tender bids were received and opened in the presence of Board of Directors Chair, Scott Greig, Operation Manager, Morgan Barrie, and CAO, Tim Lanthier. GSCA brought its recommendations to the previous Board meeting which the Board approved the purchase of one passenger gas vehicle from Kia of Owen Sound and one electric vehicle from Hyundai Owen Sound.

Update:

Kia of Owen Sound delivered the new Kia Forte LX on Monday September 27, 2021. Unfortunately, Hyundai Owen Sound ran out of 2021 EV Kona stock and could not honor their tender.

Subject: 2022 Draft Budget Report No: 051-2021 Date: October 27, 2021

Financial/Budget Implications:

\$60,000 was budgeted for the purchase of the two new passenger vehicles. The Kia Forte LX was \$20,574.03 which leaves \$39,425.97 to purchase another vehicle.

An electric vehicle will be retendered by GSCA's Operations Manager.

Consultation:

Board of Directors Chair, Operations Manager, CAO, Manager of Financial & Human Resources Services



MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
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MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors receive this report as information.



MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-123
MOVED BY: _	
SECONDED BY	/ :

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors proceed into closed session at X:XX pm to discuss matters related to the following:

- i. Minutes of the Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on August 25, 2021; and,
- ii. Minutes of the Confidential Closed Session of the Regular Board of Directors meeting held on August 25, 2021; and,
- iii. CAO Performance Review closed as it relates to personal matters about an identifiable individual including Authority directors or Authority employees (GSCA Administrative By-Law, Section 4(xvii)(b))

AND FURTHER THAT CAO, Tim Lanthier, Administrative Assistant, Valerie Coleman, and Gloria Dangerfield, Manager of Information Services will be present for items i.



MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
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MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY	; :
THAT the Grey session.	Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors resume open



agenda.

Grey Sauble Authority Board of Directors

MOTION

DATE:	October 27,2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-125
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	
THAT the Grey S	auble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve
the August 25, 2	021 Closed Session minutes as presented in the closed session



MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-126
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the August 25, 2021 Confidential Closed Session minutes as presented in the closed session agenda.



MOTION

DATE:	October 27, 2021
MOTION #:	FA-21-127
MOVED BY:	
SECONDED BY:	

THAT this meeting now adjourn.