GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY (GSCA) Board Meeting Highlights 09/28/2022



Presentation – Lebel and Bouliane Architects

Representatives from Lebel and Bouliane presented their concept design for the GSCA Admin Centre to the Board. L & B provided two options, renovation and addition, and renovation only. The proposed addition would comprise a new public entrance, public/customer reception and exhibition area, and a large "classroom" area.

Conservation Lands

a. Administration Building Architectural Drawings Update

In a follow up to the presentation from Lebel and Bouliane, staff recommended the Board approve moving forward with Phase 2 to have detailed drawings and costing completed for the renovation and addition option. Staff noted that the building requires work either way, however; it would be strategic to include the addition and making the most of the opportunity. The Board approved proceeding to Phase 2, detailed design drawings.

Operations

a. Compact SUV Tender Results

Staff presented the results of the tender for a compact SUV. The tender allowed for bidding on a gas, hybrid, and/or electric options. It was noted that availability of stock is an ongoing concern and was incorporated into the tender. Staff recommended the purchase of a 2023 Kia Seltos LX AWD. The Board approved this purchase.

Environmental Planning

a. Environmental Planning Fee Schedule

Staff presented the 2023 Planning and Permitting Fee Schedules. These were based on the Environmental Planning Fee Policy and the results of the Watson and Associate fee review. It was noted that both schedules include a note regarding annual increases to fees being linked to CPI. The Board approved both fee schedules.

Forestry

a. Feversham Tender Results

Staff presented the tender results. Only one bid was received; Moggie Valley Timber in the amount of \$16,000. The Board approved awarding the tender to Moggie Valley Timber.

Administration

a. 2022 Workplan

Staff reviewed the 2022 Workplan and the progress that has been made on the items. There were a few items deferred to 2023 in order to better align their completion with the CAA changes and new municipal councils.

b. New Environmental Planning Positions

Staff presented a request to develop and advertise two new planning positions, a Water Resources Engineer and a Planning Ecologist. There was some discussion regarding the most recent proposed changes to the CAA with regard to the Planning Ecologist position. The Board approved the development, advertising, and hire of the Water Resources Engineer and requested that staff bring an update to the Board with regard to the continued need for the Planning Ecologist position.

c. Electronic Monitoring of Employees Policy

Staff presented the final draft of the Electronic Monitoring of Employees Policy. It was noted that this is a requirement under the Working for Workers legislation and does not represent a change in how the GSCA has been conducting electronic monitoring. The Board accepted the policy.