



**NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING #08-07**  
**Friday, September 14, 2007**  
**MINUTES**

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation – John L. Jose Environmental Learning Centre

<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>		
<b>Chair:</b>	Fred Nix	Town of Mono
<b>Vice Chair:</b>	Walter Benotto	Town of Shelburne
<b>Members:</b>		
	Sandy Agnew	Township of Oro-Medonte
	Mary Brett	Township of Adjala-Tosorontio
	Orville Brown	Township of Clearview
	Reg Cowan	Township of Springwater (arrived at 9:30 a.m.)
	John Crawford	Township of Oro-Medonte
	Dennis Egan	Town of New Tecumseth
	Tom Elliott	Township of Springwater
	Sandy Foley	Town of Collingwood
	Richard Lloyd	City of Barrie
	Gary Matthews	Township of Melancthon
	John McKean	The Town of The Blue Mountains
	Brian Mullin	Municipality of Grey Highlands
	Cal Patterson	Town of Wasaga Beach
	Ron Simpson	Town of Bradford/West Gwillimbury
	Joan Sutherland	Town of New Tecumseth
	Bill Van Berkel	Town of Innisfil
	Barry Ward	City of Barrie
	Percy Way	Township of Amaranth
<b><u>REGRETS:</u></b>		
	Rick Archdekin	Town of Wasaga Beach
	Ron Henderson	Township of Essa
	Dave Labelle	Town of Collingwood
	Sandie Macdonald	Township of Essa
	Gord Montgomery	Township of Mulmur
	Robert Walker	Township of Clearview

<b><u>STAFF PRESENT:</u></b>	CAO/Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Wilson
	Mgr. Administration & Human Resources	Susan Richards
	Director of Land & Water Stewardship Services	Byron Wesson
	Supervisor	Greg Bray
	Director of Planning	Marilyn Eger
	Senior Planner	Patti Young
	Director of Engineering and Technical Services	Glenn Switzer
	Manager, Watershed Monitoring	Dave Featherstone

**RECORDER:** Laurie Barron

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair, Fred Nix called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Marilyn Eger, Director of Planning introduced Patricia (Patti) Young who has accepted the position of Senior Planner. Patti has 12 years experience as a Planner working for Conservation Authorities and comes to the NVCA from Credit Valley CA where she was a Planner/Regulations Officer. The Board of Directors welcomed Patti to the NVCA.
- Garry Matthews Board of Directors member representing the Township of Melanthon was welcomed back to the NVCA. Garry thanked the members for the good wishes he received during his absence.
- Chair Fred Nix congratulated Byron Wesson, Director of Land and Water Stewardship Services who was recognized in the Annual Report of the Nature Conservancy of Canada.

**3. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

**RES #1** MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew

SECONDED BY: Richard Lloyd

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Agenda for Board of Directors meeting 08/07, dated 14 September, 2007 be adopted.

**Carried;**

**4. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION**

None noted

**5. MINUTES**

**5.1 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 07/07, dated 24 August, 2007.**

**RES#2** MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew

SECONDED BY: Richard Lloyd

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 07/07 dated 24 August, 2007 be approved.

**Carried;**

**5.2 Draft Minutes of the Executive Meeting 08/07 dated 24 August, 2007.**

**RES#3** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd

SECONDED BY: Sandy Agnew

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Draft Minutes of the Executive Meeting 08-07 dated 24 August, 2007 be received.

**Carried;**

**6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES****Minutes of the June 8/07 BOD #06/07****6.1 Utopia Conservation Area****Tabled Resolution No. 4 from the June 8, 2007 #06/07 BOD Minutes:**

Moved by: Gord Montgomery    Seconded by: Brian Mullin

**RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA sell the 50 Acres of land surrounding the Utopia Dam, excluding the Dam, to the Township of Essa for \$1.00; and,

**THAT:** The Township of Essa agrees to hold on to the Lands for public ownership; and,

**FURTHER THAT:** If the township of Essa no longer wishes to own the land for public ownership that the first right of refusal be offered to the NVCA for the cost of \$1.00

**Carried Resolution No. 5 from June 8, 2007 #06/07 BOD Minutes:**

Moved by: Richard Lloyd                      Seconded by: Thomas Elliott

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** No action be taken on selling land at the Utopia Conservation Area until the legal dispute is settled between the Township of Essa and NVCA, or the Township of Essa drops its legal action/arbitration.

*Discussion ensued regarding Res #5, BOD #06/07, June 8/07. As a result an Oral Motion was, Moved by Ron Simpson and Seconded by Richard Lloyd that the Motion brought forward from the BOD #06/07, June 8/07 be tabled as noted below.*

**RES #4            MOVED BY:** Dennis Egan                      **SECONDED BY:** Sonny Foley

**RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA sell the 50 Acres of land surrounding the Utopia Dam, excluding the Dam, to the Township of Essa for \$1.00; and,

**THAT:** The Township of Essa agrees to hold on to the Lands for public ownership; and,

**FURTHER THAT:** If the township of Essa no longer wishes to own the land for public ownership that the first right of refusal be offered to the NVCA for the cost of \$1.00

**Motion Tabled;**

**6.2 Watershed Report Card Presentation Evaluation**

The watershed report card presentation received favourable evaluation from the Board of Directors

**STAFF REPORTS****7. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF LAND AND WATER STEWARDSHIP SERVICES****7.1 Riverdale Park Lease Agreement**

**RES#5** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Sandy Agnew

**WHEREAS:** The Executive and Land & Water Advisory Committees have reviewed the Draft Short Term Lease for Riverdale Park to the Town of New Tecumseth; and,

**WHEREAS:** The Executive and Land & Water Advisory Committee's comments have been incorporated into the document; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA Board of Directors approve the lease and the lease be forwarded to the Town of New Tecumseth for review and approval.

**Unanimously Carried;**

**7.2 NVCA Land Securement Strategy**

The NVCA Land Securement Strategy was reviewed and the following additions were made: Cookstown Swamp, Churchill Swamp and the Oro Moraine.

The Director of Land and Water Stewardship Services, on questioning, indicated that this motion has no direct impact on the development of the 2008 budget.

**RES#6** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Sandy Agnew

**WHEREAS:** The NVCA has a long history of acquiring and protecting environmentally sensitive lands; and,

**WHEREAS:** The rapid growth within the NVCA watershed highlights the need to continue acquiring these lands; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA Board of Directors support the direction and intent of the *NVCA Land Securement Strategy* and staff forward the strategy to the Minister of Natural Resources for endorsement.

**Unanimously Carried;**

**7.3 Nottawasaga Bluffs Conservation Area Draft Management Plan**

**RES#7** MOVED BY: Dennis Egan SECONDED BY: Sonny Foley

**WHEREAS:** The Executive and Land and Water Advisory committees have reviewed the Draft Nottawasaga Bluffs Management Plan Executive Summary; and,

**WHEREAS:** The Executive and Land and Water Advisory Committee's comments have been incorporated into the document; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA Board of Directors approve the 2007-2012 Nottawasaga Bluffs Management Plan.

**Carried;**

**8. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING****8.1 Permits for Ratification**

**RES#8** MOVED BY: Brian Mullin SECONDED BY: Orville Brown  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period August 8/07, through August 31/07 be approved.

**Carried;****9. REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY TREASURER****9.1 Business Plan /Budget Development Process**

Wayne Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer reviewed the Business Plan/Budget Development Process with the Board of Directors. Discussion ensued regarding the process to review program targets and set priorities at the Advisory Committees. A draft budget will be presented at the November 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Board of Directors.

**10. NOTES FROM THE CHAIR****10.1 Conservation Ontario Meeting – August 27/07**

**RES#89** MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Garry Matthews  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Chair's notes of the August 27/07 Conservation Ontario meeting be received.

**Carried;****11. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a) Source Protection Committee Chair Named – Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley, dated August 28/07
- b) Ministry of the Environment dated Aug 14/07 re: Great lakes Basin Ecosystem renewed federal-provincial agreement.
- c) Conservation Ontario Representation at Provincial Urban Flooding Meeting(s), dated Aug 10/07
- d) Nottawasaga Valley Low Water Response Team Summary Conditions – Sept. 4/07
- e) Letter to Wayne Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, dated August 26, 2007, from Mr. Charlie Wilson, thanking the Executive and staff for the opportunity to speak at the Board of Directors meeting of August 24, 2007.

**RES #10** MOVED BY: Garry Matthews SECONDED BY: Percy Way  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

**Carried;**

**FUTURE MEETINGS**

**BUS TOUR - September 21, 2007**

**EXECUTIVE – September 28, 2007**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS – October 12, 2007**

**ADJOURN TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES**

**RES#11**

MOVED BY: Brian Mullin

SECONDED BY: Oriville Brown

**RESOVLED THAT:** This meeting adjourn at 9:55a.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

**Carried;**

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Fred Nix, Chair

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Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

Dated on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2007