



**NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING #11-07**  
**Friday, 11 January, 2008**  
**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>		
	Rick Archdekin	Town of Wasaga Beach
	Sandy Agnew	Township of Oro-Medonte
	Mary Brett	Township of Adjala-Tosorontio
	Orville Brown	Township of Clearview
	Chris Carrier	Town of Collingwood
	Reg Cowan	Township of Springwater
	John Crawford	Township of Oro-Medonte
	Terry Dowdall	Township of Essa
	Dennis Egan	Town of New Tecumseth
	Tom Elliott	Township of Springwater
	Sonny Foley	Town of Collingwood
	Ron Henderson	Township of Essa
	Richard Lloyd	City of Barrie
	Gary Matthews	Township of Melancthon
	John McKean	The Town of The Blue Mountains
	Gord Montgomery	Township of Mulmur
	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
	Robert Walker	Township of Clearview
	Barry Ward	City of Barrie
	Percy Way	Township of Amaranth
<b><u>REGRETS:</u></b>		
	Dave Labelle	Town of Collingwood (Retired)

<b><u>STAFF PRESENT:</u></b>	CAO/Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Wilson
	Mgr. Administration & Human Resources	Susan Richards
	Communications Public Relations Assistant	Kim Garraway
	Director of Land & Water Stewardship Services	Byron Wesson
	Senior Planner	Chris Hibberd
	Director of Engineering and Technical Services	Glenn Switzer

<b><u>RECORDER:</u></b>	Executive Assistant	Laurie Barron
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**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

Item 8.5 G. Matthews, member representing the Township of Melancthon to comment on the use of the Planning Reserve.

**RES #1** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Reg Cowan

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Agenda for Board of Directors meeting 11/07, dated 11 January, 2008 be adopted as amended.

**Carried;**

**3. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION**

None declared.

**4. MINUTES****4.1 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 10/07, dated 23 November, 2007.**

**RES #2** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Reg Cowan

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 10/07 dated 23 November, 2007, be approved as amended.

**Carried;**

**4.2 Minutes of the Executive Meeting 12/07 dated 23 November 2007.**

**RES #3** MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: R. Lloyd

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 12/07 dated 23 November, 2007, be received.

**Carried;**

**4.3 Draft Minutes of the Executive Meeting 13/07 dated 14 December 2007.**

**RES #4** MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: R. Lloyd

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 13/07 dated 14 December, 2007, be received.

**Carried;**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Discussion regarding item 7.1 of the Draft Executive Minutes. Glenn Switzer, Director of Engineering advised that the OMAFRA grant application for the funding of a Social Economist to design a program to address the social, economic impacts of water taking, was not successful. Joan Sutherland, member from the Town of New Tecumseth advised that Nottawasaga Futures have completed a similar study. This information can be made available to the NVCA.

**STAFF REPORTS****6. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING****6.1 Permits for Ratification**

**RES #5** MOVED BY: Orville Brown SECONDED BY: Robert Walker  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period November 7 through December 31, 2007 be approved.

**Carried;**

**7. REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES****7.1 Media Release/Interview Policy**

**RES #6** MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Robert Walker  
**WHEREAS:** The Media Release/Interview (CC-2) policy and procedure was presented and supported by the Executive Committee on November 23/07; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the Board of Directors approves the Media Release/Interview (CC-2) policy and procedure effective January 11, 2008.

**Unanimously Carried;**

**8. REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY TREASURER**

**8.1 Changes to the circulated Nov 23/07 Draft Budget as per Board of Directors direction to decrease levy by \$60,000. (Copy of correspondence sent to all member municipalities and Board of Directors, Dec 4/07)**

Tom Elliott, member from the Township of Springwater expressed his concern with the cut in the budget to the education/training for NVCA staff. Mr. Elliott noted that this is an important component in the future development of staff.

**RES #7** MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Orville Brown  
**WHEREAS:** Staff were directed to reduce the levy by \$60,000 in the 2008 draft budget dated November 23/07; and,

**WHEREAS:** Staff, with input from the Executive have reduced the budget accordingly; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the draft 2008 budget dated November 26/07, be received.

**Carried;**

## 8.2 Board of Directors Communications target

**RES #8** MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Dennis Egan

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Board of Directors communication target is, 75% or greater Board Member support, for all major NVCA initiatives; and,

**FURTHERMORE THAT:** This target does not amend the Administrative Regulations requiring a majority approval.

**Unanimously Carried;**

## 8.3 Amendments to current targets

**RES #9** MOVED BY: Orville Brown SECONDED BY: Robert Walker

**RESOLVED THAT:** The following targets be amended to recognize the target as the desired minimal level;

- Meet or exceed Provincial water quality objectives
- Greater than or equal to 10% wetland cover
- Greater than or equal to 30% forest cover
- Greater than or equal to 75% streamside vegetation
- Provide a minimum of 8000 environmental education opportunities, including stewardship extension.

**Carried;**

## 8.4 Watershed Report Card

**RES #10** MOVED BY: Dennis Egan SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott

**THAT:** The watershed report card, continue to be promoted as the key method of communication for watershed target achievement.

**Carried;**

## 8.5 Statement of Operations for the period ending December 14, 2007.

Gary Mathews, member representing the Township of Melancthon questioned the use of the Planning reserves to offset the 2008 deficit. Chris Carrier, member representing the Town of Collingwood noted that the use of the reserves validates the need to create a reserve fund to be used, when appropriate and the further need to replenish that fund when a surplus occurs.

**RES #11** MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Dennis Egan

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Statement of Operations for the period ending December 14, 2007 be received.

**Carried;**

9. **2008 NVCA SCHEDULE OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**RES #12** MOVED BY: Garry Matthews SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott

**RESOLVED THAT:** The 2008 NVCA Schedule of Board of Directors and Executive Committee Meetings be received.

**Carried;**

10. **REPORT OF THE CHAIR**

- Conservation Ontario Dec 10/07 meeting update

Sandy Agnew, member representing the Township of Oro-Medonte requested that Hazel Breton, Credit Valley Conservation (CVC) be invited to the NVCA Board of Directors to make a presentation regarding the role CVC is playing in planning developments. Mr. Agnew's request was noted by the CAO/Secretary Treasurer and the Chair.

11. **CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) The Region of Peel, dated Nov 13/07 re: participation in the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Water Protection Committee.
- (b) The County of Simcoe, dated Nov 21/07 re: Transportation Master Plan.
- (c) The Town of Innisfil, dated Nov 22/07 re: Resolution from the Municipality of Brockton.
- (d) Correspondence sent to the County of Simcoe dated Nov 30/07 from W. Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer re: Simcoe County Growth Management Plan.
- (e) The Star.com article, dated Dec 5/07 re: The battle for Simcoe County
- (f) Ministry of Natural Resources, dated Dec 3/07 re: Landowner guide to dam decommissioning.
- (g) The Township of Mulmur, dated Dec 5/07 re: NVCA 2008 Budget.
- (h) Correspondence received Nov 12/07 re: thank you for the Lands Stewardship appreciation night.
- (i) Environmental Commissioner of Ontario re: Backgrounder 2006/2007 Annual Report – Reconciling our Priorities.  
**\*It was noted that Bob Law, Watershed Planner will be speaking to this report at a meeting of the Board of Directors.**
- (j) Copy of correspondence sent to the Chair, Conservation Authorities Moraine Coalition from Nature Conservancy of Canada, dated Oct 31/07. Re: NCC's new conservation program with the Government of Canada.

- (k) The City of Barrie Media Release dated Dec 6/07 re: City of Barrie supports the Province's initiative to protect Lake Simcoe and manage growth.
- (l) The Township of Oro-Medonte dated Dec 13/07 re: 2008 Draft NVCA budget presentation.
- (m) Correspondence received from Grey Sauble CA dated Dec 18/07 re: NVCA/GSCA Boundary.
- (n) Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Media Release dated Dec 14/07 re: Level 1 Low Water advisories.
- (o) Blue Mountain Watershed Trust correspondence sent to the Chair of the Simcoe Area Growth Management Steering Committee, dated Dec 18/07 re: Simcoe Area Growth Management Strategy.
- (p) Notes from Tom Elliott, Executive Member re: 2007 A.D. Latornell Conservation Symposium. Encourages attendance at Latornell.
- (q) Notice of Hearing, NVCA in the matter of an application to permit construction on part lot 3, Concession 13, 5126 Concession 12 Sunnidale in the Township of Clearview, County of Simcoe.

**RES #13** MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Percy Way  
**RESOLVED THAT:** Correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

**Carried;**

## 12. **RECOGNITION OF RETIRING BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEMBERS**

The Chair recognized Dave Labelle, member from the Town of Collingwood. Mayor Chris Carrier, Town of Collingwood accepted the Chair and Members of the Board's thanks on behalf of Mr. Labelle. Mayor Carrier will represent the Town of Collingwood along with Councilor Sony Foley for the 2008 Board of Directors meetings.

### **FUTURE MEETINGS**

**EXECUTIVE – January 25/08**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS – February 8/08**

**ADJOURNMENT TO ANNUAL MEETING BOD No. 01/08**

**RES.#14** MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott  
**RESOLVED THAT:** This meeting adjourn at 9:55 a.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

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**Fred Nix, N.V.C.A. Chair**

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**Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer**

Dated this 8 day of February, 2008