

N.V.C.A. FULL AUTHORITY ANNUAL MEETING #01/06

Date: Friday, 13 January 2006
Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation – John L. Jose Environmental Learning Centre

MINUTES

PRESENT:

Chair Fred Nix
Vice Chair: Walter Benotto
Members: Mary Brett
Orville Brown
Chris Carrier
Robert Currie
Lynn Dollin
Tom Elliott
Wayman Fairweather
Ruth Fountain
Ron Henderson
Ralph Hough
Bob Marrs
Gary Matthews
Mike McWilliam
Ross Money
Gord Montgomery
Brian Mullin
George Sheffer
Ron Simpson
Joan Sutherland
Robert Walker
Barry Ward

REGRETS:

Kathy Jeffrey
Terry Dowdall

STAFF PRESENT:

CAO/Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Wilson
Manager of Administration & Human Resources	Susan Richards
Director of Land & Water Stewardship Serv.	Byron Wesson
Director of Engineering & Technical Serv.	Glenn Switzer
Director of Planning	Charles Burgess
Senior Planner	Bev Booth
Manager of Stewardship Services	Fred Dobbs

RECORDER:

Administrative Assistant Laurie Barron

GUESTS:

Harold Parker, Past NVCA Chair
John Kus, Area Supervisor, Ministry of Natural Resources
Don Pearson, General Manager, Conservation Ontario

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

RES. # 1 MOVED BY: Bob Marris SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland

RESOLVED THAT: The Agenda for Full Authority Meeting #1/06, dated 13 January 2006, be adopted.

Carried;

PECUNIARY INTEREST

None were noted.

ELECTION PROCEDURES

Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer reviewed the election procedures.

APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION CONDUCTOR

RES. #2 MOVED BY: Bob Marris SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland

RESOLVED THAT: The Full Authority accept the services of John Kus, for the position of Election Conductor for the Chair & Vice-Chair of the NVCA 2006 elections.

Carried;

APPOINTMENT OF SCRUTINEERS

RES. # 3 MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Bob Marris

RESOLVED THAT: Charles Burgess and Byron Wesson be appointed as Scrutineers for the duration of the N.V.C.A. 2006 elections.

Carried;

MR. JOHN KUS CHAIRED THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING.

ELECTION OF AUTHORITY CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR**NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF CHAIR:**

RES. # 4 MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Garry Matthews

RESOLVED THAT: Fred Nix be nominated for the position of Chair of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.

Carried;

Fred Nix confirmed his acceptance for the nomination
John Kus asked three times for further nominations. Being none, Fred Nix was declared Chair by acclamation.

VERBAL MOTION

MOVED BY: Walter Benotto

SECONDED BY: Barry Ward

RESOLVED THAT: The nomination for the position of Chair of the N.V.C.A. be closed.**Carried;****NOMINATIONS FOR THE POSITION OF VICE-CHAIR:****RES. #6**

MOVED BY: Garry Matthews

SECONDED BY: Ralph Hough

RESOLVED THAT: Walter Benotto be nominated for the position of Vice Chair of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.**Carried;**

Walter Benotto confirmed his acceptance for the nomination

John Kus asked three times for further nominations. Being none, Walter Bernotto was declared Vice-Chair by acclamation.

RES. #7

MOVED BY: Bob Marrs

SECONDED BY: Mary Brett

RESOLVED THAT: The nomination for the position of Vice-Chair of the N.V.C.A. be closed.**Carried;****FRED NIX ASSUMED THE CHAIR AND CALLED FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE FIVE POSITIONS OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE.****ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEMBERS****Nominations for Position of Executive Committee Members:****RES. #8**

MOVED BY: Bob Marrs

SECONDED BY: Wayman Fairweather

RESOLVED THAT: Barry Ward be nominated for the position of Executive member of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.**Carried;****RES. #9**

MOVED BY: Ruth Fountain

SECONDED BY: Mary Brett

RESOLVED THAT: George Sheffer be nominated for the position of Executive member of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.**Carried;**

RES. #10 MOVED BY: Bob Marrs SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland

RESOLVED THAT: Lynn Dollin be nominated for the position of Executive of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.

Carried;

RES. #11 MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Ruth Fountain

RESOLVED THAT: Bob Marrs be nominated for the position of Executive of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.

Carried;

VERBAL MOTION

MOVED BY: Chris Carrier SECONDED BY: Lynn Dollin

RESOLVED THAT: Tom Elliott be nominated for the position of Executive of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2006.

Carried;

The Chair asked each if they accepted the nominations. All nominees responded in the affirmative.

The Chair asked three times for further nominations. Being none, the Executive Committee of the N.V.C.A. was declared by acclamation.

RES. #12 MOVED BY: Bob Marrs SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland

RESOLVED THAT: The nomination for the five (5) positions of the Executive Committee of the N.V.C.A. be closed.

Carried;

RES. #13 MOVED BY: Mary Brett SECONDED BY: Ron Simpson

RESOLVED THAT: the Executive Committee of the N.V.C.A. as elected and appointed be confirmed for the year of 2006, as follows:

Authority Chair:	Fred Nix
Authority Vice-Chair:	Walter Benotto
Five Executive Committee Members:	Barry Ward
	George Sheffer
	Lynn Dollin
	Bob Marrs
	Tom Elliott

Carried;

APPOINTMENT OF 2006 AUTHORITY AUDITOR:

RES. #16 MOVED BY: Lynn Dollin SECONDED BY: Ross Money

RESOLVED THAT: The firm of BDO Dunwoody be appointed to conduct the auditing functions of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority for 2005.

Carried;

MEMBERS 2006 COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE:

RES. #17 MOVED BY: Ron Henderson SECONDED BY: Lynn Dollin

WHEREAS: The member's compensation for the year 2006 has been recommended to the Ontario Municipal Board in the amount of \$76.68 per meeting and a travelling allowance of 45¢ per kilometre; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: That in the interim, that the members compensation remain at \$59.40 per meeting and a travelling allowance of 40¢ per kilometre.

Carried;

2006 APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVE TO CONSERVATION ONTARIO COUNCIL:

RES. #18 MOVED BY: Ron Henderson SECONDED BY: Chris Carrier

RESOLVED THAT: Fred Nix be appointed as the N.V.C.A. voting delegate on the Conservation Ontario Council for the year 2006; and,

THAT: Wayne R. Wilson, B.Sc., Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer, be appointed as alternate.

Carried;

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION AND PRIVACY ACT

Appointment of A Head of The NVCA For Purposes of The Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection Act

RES.#19 MOVED BY: Mary Brett SECONDED BY: Ron Simpson

WHEREAS: Members of the Board of the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority may designate an individual to act as Head of the Authority for purposes of the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.56, s. 3(1); 2002 C. 17, Sched. F, Table; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: Susan Richards, Manager of Administration and Human Resources be designated as Head of the Authority for purposes of the Act.

Carried;

NVCA 2006 MEMBERS**RES.#20**

MOVED BY: Gordon Montgomery

SECONDED BY: George Sheffer

RESOLVED THAT: The N.V.C.A. members give their written permission authorizing the public release of their names, addresses and telephone/fax numbers/email address, in accordance with the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.

Carried;**DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND OCEANS PARTNERSHIP RENEWAL FOR 2005-2006****RES.#21**

MOVED BY: George Sheffer

SECONDED BY: Ruth Fountain

WHEREAS: The N.V.C.A. has completed 7 years of Level II Fish Habitat Partnership Agreement with the DFO; and,

WHEREAS: There is a need to continue this agreement; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED: That the N.V.C.A. endorses the extension of this agreement for the period of January 15, 2006 to January 15, 2007.

Carried;**STAFF REPORTS****REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING**

Generic Regulations – Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses.

Bev Booth, Senior presented a Power Point presentation to provide clarification and to review the regulations with the Board.

RES.#22

MOVED BY: George Sheffer

SECONDED BY: Mike McWilliam

RESOLVED THAT: Whereas a local regulation to manage development, interference with wetlands and alterations to shorelines and watercourses has been prepared in conformity with the provisions outlined in Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act, and standards for mapping and public consultation have been followed,

THEREFORE: The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority adopts the subject regulation; and

FURTHER THAT: The said regulation and related documentation be submitted to the Conservation Authority Peer Review Committee and subsequently to the Ministry of Natural Resources for approval by the Minister.

Carried;

REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY TREASURER

- **Source Water Protection Update**

The CAO/Secretary Treasurer provided an update to the Board.

- **Conservation Ontario – Statistical Survey**

The CAO/Secretary Treasurer provided a copy of the survey and presented a brief overview.

REMARKS

John Kus, Area Supervisor MNR Midhurst District Supervisor extended greeting from the MNR.

Don Pearson, Conservation Ontario extended greetings and commented on these busy times with the new Source Water Protection and Assimilative Capacity Studies and the positive impact they will have on the environment.

RECOGNITION OF RETIRING CHAIR

Wayne Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer recognized Chair Carrier's tenure with the Executive and made the following comments.

Chris has been a member of the NVCA Board for 7 years. He started in January 1998, and became a member of the Executive in February 2001. In January 2002, Chris was elected Vice-Chair and became the Chair of the Authority in January 2003. He has been a member of the Planning Advisory Committee, Communications Committee and through his role on the Executive, the Human Resources & Administration Committee.

During his tenure Chris has been a strong advocate for our vision of conserving healthy waters, and our mission of working together to value, protect, enhance and restore our watershed resources for a healthy sustainable future. He has always acknowledged the need for provincial funding to allow us to better serve our municipalities and the public, and at every opportunity, advocated on our behalf. May I quote just one of his reminders to us all:

"Let us remind the Province of its responsibilities to fully fund new Source Water Protection initiatives and to become better funding partners toward the enhancement, protection, and preservation of Ontario's Natural Heritage Features."

Chris has been the steering force in a few changes to the NVCA during his role as Chair. Just to mention a view:

- the introduction of pay for performance
- the naming of a trail in memory of our past member, Ian Lang

In conclusion, on behalf of the staff of the NVCA, Wayne Wilson thanked Chris, for his support and leadership as the Chair of the NVCA.

OTHER BUSINESS

None noted

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) 2006 NVCA Schedule of Full Authority and Executive Meetings
- b) Notice of Assimilative Capacity Stakeholder Workshop, January 19/05
- c) Letter to member municipalities from Beverly Booth, Senior Planner re: Ponds Policy, dated Jan 5/06.

RES.#22 MOVED BY: Ross Money SECONDED BY: Ruth Fountain

RESOLVED THAT: Correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

Carried;

WATERSHED PLAN STRATEGIC REVIEW UPDATE – Bob Law, Watershed Planner

Bob Law, Watershed Planner provided copies of the Watershed Plan Strategic Review and updated the Full Board on the status and process of the review. The Board was asked to provide comments to Planning Services by the February 10/06 meeting of the Full Board.

FUTURE MEETINGS

Executive – January 27/06

Full Authority – Feb 10/06

ADJOURNMENT

RES. #23 MOVED BY: Ross Money SECONDED BY: Ron Henderson

RESOLVED THAT: This meeting adjourn at 12:05 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Fred Nix, Chair

Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

Dated on the 10 day of February, 2006