



**NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 02/08**  
**Friday, 14 March 2008**  
**MINUTES**

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

**PRESENT:**

<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
Rick Archdekin		Town of Wasaga Beach
Mary Brett		Township of Adjala-Tosorontio
Orville Brown		Township of Clearview
Reg Cowan		Township of Springwater
John Crawford		Township of Oro-Medonte
Dennis Egan		Town of New Tecumseth
Tom Elliott		Township of Springwater
Ron Henderson		Township of Essa – left 9:54 a.m.
Richard Lloyd		City of Barrie
Gary Matthews		Township of Melancthon
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

**REGRETS:**

Chris Carrier	Town of Collingwood
Terry Dowdall	Township of Essa
Sonny Foley	Town of Collingwood
John McKean	The Town of The Blue Mountains
Gord Montgomery	Township of Mulmur

**STAFF PRESENT:**

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
Director of Engineering and Technical Services	Glenn Switzer
Director of Planning	Marilyn Eger
Manager of Stewardship Services	Fred Dobbs

**RECORDER:**

Susan Richards

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Nix called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

**2. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

Chair Nix noted that the in-camera session would take place at the end of the meeting.

**RES. # 1** MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Agenda as amended for Board of Directors Meeting #03/08, dated 14 March 2008, be adopted.

**Carried;**

**3. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION**

Cal Patterson, and Rick Archdekin, Town of Wasaga Beach representatives, declared a pecuniary interest regarding a development in Nottawasaga region, as discussed at the Executive Committee meeting of 22 February 2008.

**4. MINUTES****4.1 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 02-08, 8 February 2008**

**RES. # 2** MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Reg Cowan  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 02/08, dated 8 February 2008 be approved.

**Carried;**

**4.2 Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 02/08, 22 February 2008**

**RES. #3** MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Reg Cowan  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 02/08, dated 22 February 2008 be received.

**Carried;**

Cal Patterson, and Rick Archdekin, Town of Wasaga Beach representatives, abstained from voting on resolution.

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES****5.1 New NVCA Funding Opportunities – Recommendation and Action**

Dennis Egan expanded on his proposal to form a Committee of the Authority to discuss methods of obtaining funding without increasing levies. He noted that the purpose of the committee would be to work collaboratively with current Advisory Committees and members would not be remunerated for the meetings. Meetings would be held after Board of Directors meetings, and should be no longer than 1 hour. He requested that a staff member be present to take minutes, etc.

Chair Nix thanked Mr. Egan and asked the members for volunteers to sit on the Committee. The following members volunteered: Sandy Agnew, Gary Matthews, Percy Way, Dennis Egan, Mary Brett and Fred Nix. Ron Simpson would be an alternate.

Chair Nix noted that the 1<sup>st</sup> meeting of the Committee would take place after the April Board of Directors meeting.

**RES. #4** MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: Bill Van Berkel  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The NVCA funding opportunities presented by Dennis Egan, member representing the Town of New Tecumseth be received; and,

**FURTHER THAT:** Sandy Agnew, Gary Matthews, Percy Way, Dennis Egan, Mary Brett, Fred Nix and Ron Simpson (if required) constitute a Committee.

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Carried;**STAFF REPORTS****6. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING****6.1 Permits for Ratification – 1 January to 28 January, 2008****RES.#5** MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew SECONDED BY: Richard Lloyd**RESOLVED THAT:** The Permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period 1 January 2008 through to 28 January 2008 be approved.

Carried;

**6.2 Permits for Ratification – 29 January to 3 March, 2008****RES.#6** MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Sandy Angew**RESOLVED THAT:** The Permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period 29 January 2008 through to 3 March 2008 be approved.

Carried;

**7. REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES****7.1 Communications Report –February 2008****RES.#7** MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew SECONDED BY: Richard Lloyd**RESOLVED THAT:** The Communications report for the month of February 2008 be received.

Carried;

**8. REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY TREASURER****8.1 2008 NVCA Municipal Council Presentations****RES.#8** MOVED BY: Robert Walker SECONDED BY: Orville Brown**WHEREAS:** Staff have developed [two](#) Municipal Council presentation packages [featuring topics related to](#); Low Water/Climate Change and Natural Heritage Protection/Species at Risk, to be [presented](#) in the spring of 2008; and,**WHEREAS:** The NVCA Board Members are requested to determine topics [of greatest](#) interest for their Municipal presentation; therefore,**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the NVCA Board Members complete the appropriate presentation selection form at the March 14, 2008 Board of Directors meeting.

Carried;

**9. REPORT FROM THE CHAIR**

Chair Nix reported on the Conservation Ontario meeting of March 3, 2008.

**10. CORRESPONDENCE****(a)** Grey Sauble Conservation dated Dec 13/07 re: Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation - Enforcement costs.**(b)** Ministry of Natural Resources Senior Planning Advisor dated March 3/08 re: One Window Planning Service.

- (c) Letter from Conservation Ontario to the Minister of Natural Resources, dated Jan 9/08 re: Conservation Authorities Program.
- (d) Ministry of Natural Resources Office of the Minister to CAO/Clerk of the Town of Mono, dated Jan 11, 2008 re: Low Water Response in the NVCA Watershed.
- (d) Correspondence sent from the Director, Land and Water Stewardship Services to the Ministry of the Environment, dated Jan 30/08 re: Application for Approval of Permit to Take Water, Essa Township, County of Simcoe MOE Reference Number 6606-7AYL77.
- (e) Email dated Jan 31/08 to the Township of Amaranth re: Private Well Legislation.
- (f) Ministry of Natural Resource, Office of the Minister to NVCA CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, dated Jan 31/08 re: Stewardship and Protection of Ontario's Ecological Heritage.
- (g) Municipality of Grey Highlands, dated Feb 14, 2008 re: Conservation Authority Funding.
- (h) Conservation Ontario Council – Committee of the Whole meeting Feb 20/08 re: Conservation Authorities Act – Municipal Drain Activities.
- (i) Conservation Ontario Council – Committee of the Whole meeting Feb 20/08 re: Review of proposed policy guidelines for the "Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation.
- (j) Grey Sauble Conservation dated Feb 26/08 re: Funding for Implementation of Drinking Water Source Protection.
- (k) Correspondence sent from the Brereton Field Naturalists' Club to the Mayor of Springwater, dated Feb 21/08 re: Midhurst Secondary Plan and Little Lake/Willow Creek Wetlands.
- (l) Correspondence sent to the Minister of Natural Resources, from NVCA CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, dated Feb 22/08 re: Invitation to attend a NVCA Board of Directors meeting or event.
- (m) Correspondence sent to the Ministry of Natural Resources, Policy Advisor from NVCA CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, dated Feb 22/08 re: Year-End Expenditure Reports.
- (n) The County of Simcoe dated Feb 26/08 re: Official Plan review for the County of Simcoe.
- (o) Ontario Municipal Board dated Feb 28/08 re: Increase of Per Diem Allowance paid to the NVCA Board Members.
- (p) NVCA report sent the Township of Oro Medonte Council dated March 3/08 re: NVCA Services and Budget
- (r) Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing, Office of the Minister re: Growing the Greenbelt

**On Table Correspondence**

Ltr. from Township of Oro-Medonte, Doug Irwin, Director of Corporate Services/Clerk, March 13, 2008, to Wayne Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer re: NVCA Services & Budget – An Investment in our Future.

**RES.#9** MOVED BY: Brian Mullin SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott  
**RESOLVED THAT:** Correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

**Carried;**

**11. STAFF PRESENTATION – Lake Huron Georgian Bay Community Action Framework Pilot**

Fred Dobbs, Manager of Stewardship Services presented an update on the above pilot project.

*Ron Henderson, Township of Essa member left the meeting at 9:54 a.m.*

**12. IN-CAMERA**

**RES.#10** MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Walter Benotto  
**RESOLVED THAT:** This meeting of the Board of Directors Committee No. 3/08 go In-Camera at 9:55 a.m. to address matters pertaining to security of the property of the Authority; personal matters about an identifiable individual, including Authority staff; the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for the purpose; and,

**THAT:** The following staff be in attendance: Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer, Byron Wesson, Director Land & Water Stewardship Services, Susan Richards, Mgr., Administration & HR; and,

**FURTHER THAT:** The Township of Essa representatives be requested to leave the in-camera session for the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose (Agenda Item #3, matters pertaining to the Utopia Conservation Area).

**Carried;**

**OUT OF IN-CAMERA**

**RES.#11** MOVED BY: Bill Van Berkel SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland  
**RESOLVED THAT:** This meeting of the Board of Directors Committee No. 3/08 come out of in-camera at 10:40 a.m.

**Carried;**

**RES. #12** MOVED BY: Joan Sutherland SECONDED BY: Walter Benotto  
**WHEREAS:** The Township of Essa has notified the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority that it will seek to recover costs related to the Utopia Grist Mill project through an arbitration process; therefore,

**BE IT RESOLVED:** That the NVCA engage the services of Mark Scharf, Barrister and Solicitor, to represent the NVCA in this matter; and,

**FURTHERMORE:** That staff be directed to track all costs associated with this proceeding.

**Carried;**

**13. FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS**

EXECUTIVE MEETING – March 28/08  
SPRING TONIC – April 6, 2008  
BOARD OF THE DIRECTORS – April 11/08

14. ADJOURN TO ADVISORY COMMITTEES

**RES.#13** MOVED BY: Robert Walker SECONDED BY: Orville Brown  
**RESOLVED THAT:** This meeting adjourn at 10:43 a.m. to meet again at the call of the  
Chair.

**Carried.**

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

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Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer

Dated this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2008