



NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING #02-07
Friday, 9 February, 2007

MINUTES

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

PRESENT:

Chair:	Fred Nix	Town of Mono
Vice Chair:	Walter Benotto	Town of Shelburne
Members:		
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
Lynn Dollin		Town of Innisfil
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
Gord Montgomery		Township of Mulmur
Cal Patterson		Town of Wasaga Beach (arrived at 9:34 a.m.)
Joan Sutherland		Town of New Tecumseth
Barry Ward		City of Barrie
Percy Way		Township of Amaranth

REGRETS:

Rick Archdekin	Town of Wasaga Beach
David Guergis	Township of Essa
Dave Labelle	Town of Collingwood
Sandie Macdonald	Township of Essa
Brian Mullin	Municipality of Grey Highlands
Ron Simpson	Town of Bradford/West Gwillimbury
Bill Van Berkel	Town of Innisfil (Lynn Dollin represented Innisfil)
Robert Walker	Township of Clearview

STAFF PRESENT:

CAO/Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Wilson
Mgr. Administration & Human Resources	Susan Richards
Mgr. Finance	Susan Whitters
Director of Land & Water Stewardship Services	Byron Wesson
Manager of Stewardship Services	Fred Dobbs
Director of Planning	Charles Burgess
Manager of Planning Policy & Regulations	Bev Booth
Manager of Watershed Monitoring Program	Dave Featherstone

RECORDER:

Laurie Barron



1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Nix called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m.

2. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

RES. # 1 MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew SECONDED BY: Dennis Egan
RESOLVED THAT: The amended Agenda for Board of Directors Meeting #1/07, dated 12 January 2007, be adopted.

Carried;

3. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION

None declared

4. MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of Full Authority Meeting 12-06, dated 12 January, 2007 be approved.

RES. # 2 MOVED BY: Dennis Egan SECONDED BY: Sandy Agnew
RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of Full Authority Meeting 12-06, dated 12 January, 2007, be approved.

Carried;

4.2 Minutes of Full Authority Meeting 01-07, dated 12 January, 2007

RES. # 3 MOVED BY: Sandy Agnew SECONDED BY: Dennis Egan
RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of Full Authority meeting 01-07 dated 12 January 2007 be approved.

Carried;

4.3 Draft Minutes of the Executive Meeting 01-07 dated 26 January 2007

RES. # 4 MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland
RESOLVED THAT: The Draft Minutes of the Executive Meeting 01-07 dated 26 January, 2007 be received.

Carried;

4.4 Board Hearing, under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act, #01-07 dated 12 January, 2007.

RES. # 5 MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland
RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of the Board Hearing, under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act, #01-07, dated 12 January 2007 be approved.

Carried;

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Gary Mathews, member for the Township of Melancthon question the allocation of staff working on the Cross Boundary Pilot project. Wayne Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer advised that the NVCA will continue to coordinate the project while utilizing specific staff expertise at Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority.



STAFF REPORTS

6. REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY- TREASURER

6.1 Financial Report - Statement of Operations Summary for the Period ending December 31, 2006

RES. #6 MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland
RESOLVED THAT: The Statement of Operations Summary for the Period ending 31 December 31, 2006 be received.

Carried;

RES. #6(a) MOVED BY: Richard Lloyd SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland
RESOLVED THAT: To maintain a year-end surplus of \$60,000 required for the 2007 Budget, staff be authorized to transfer up to \$52,000.00, from the Capital Reserves to Unrestricted Net Assets

Carried;

CHAIR, FRED NIX VACATED THE CHAIR

VICE CHAIR, WALTER BENOTTO CHAIRED THIS PORTION OF THE MEETING

6.2 2007 NVCA BUDGET

Chair Fred Nix provided an overview of the 2007 NVCA Budget. Several members voiced their concern over the budget increase and in particular the downloading from the Province which has resulted in increase in levy dollars billed to the member municipalities. The Chair advised that through Conservation Ontario the concerns of the member municipalities will be forwarded to the appropriate Ministers. Other members noted the good value provided by the NVCA, and the importance to their constituents to invest in conservation.

Lynn Dollin, member for The Town of Innisfil requested a recorded vote for Res#7.



- **APPROVAL OF MATCHING LEVY**

RES. #7 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Percy Way

WHEREAS: The Matching Levy for the proposed and duly circulated 2007 Budget is \$181,940.02; and

WHEREAS: A quorum of members is present and each member present represents one vote; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That The Matching Levy for the N.V.C.A. 2007 Budget be approved at \$181,940.02

(Recorded vote)

In Favour Against

Chair	Fred Nix	Y
Vice Chair:	Walter Benotto	Y
Members:	Sandy Agnew	Y
	Mary Brett	Y
	Orville Brown	Y
	Reg Cowan	Y
	John Crawford	Y
	Lynn Dollin	Y
	Dennis Egan	Y
	Tom Elliott	Y
	Sandy Foley	Y
	Richard Lloyd	Y
	Gary Matthews	Y
	John McKean	Y
	Gord Montgomery	Y
	Joan Sutherland	Y
	Cal Patterson	Y
	Barry Ward	Y
	Percy Way	Y

Carried Unanimously;



- **APPROVAL OF NON-MATCHING LEVY**

RES. #8 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Orville Brown

WHEREAS: The Non-Matching Levy for the proposed and duly circulated 2007 Budget is \$1,517,265.04, minus \$60,000. unbudgeted surplus; and

WHEREAS: A quorum of members is present, and each member’s vote is weighted according to the individual municipal share of the N.V.C.A. Current Value Assessment; therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Non-Matching Levy for the N.V.C.A. 2007 Budget be approved at \$1,457,265.04.

<u>(Recorded vote)</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Against</u>
Chair Fred Nix	Y	
Vice Chair: Walter Benotto	Y	
Members: Sandy Agnew	Y	
Mary Brett		N
Orville Brown	Y	
Reg Cowan	Y	
John Crawford		N
Lynn Dollin	Y	
Dennis Egan	Y	
Tom Elliott	Y	
Sonny Foley	Y	
Richard Lloyd	Y	
Gary Matthews		N
John McKean	Y	
Gord Montgomery		N
Joan Sutherland	Y	
Cal Patterson		N
Barry Ward	Y	
Percy Way	Y	

Motion carried with a 79% in favour weighted vote.

Carried;



- **GENERAL BUDGET APPROVAL**

RES. #9 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Orville Brown

WHEREAS: The proposed 2007 N.V.C.A. combined capital and operations budget expenditure of \$3,298,403.93 has been circulated as required to member municipalities for the minimum 30 day period; and

WHEREAS: The associated Matching and Non-Matching Levies have been duly approved by the N.V.C.A.; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the 2007 Budget for the N.V.C.A. be approved and that staff and the Executive Committee be directed to implement this Budget and report on a quarterly basis to the Board of Directors regarding Budget implementation.

Carried;

RES. #10 MOVED BY: Orville Brown SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott

RESOLVED THAT: The Reports of the CAO/Secretary-Treasurer and the Chair dated February 9, 2007, be received.

Carried;

CHAIR, FRED NIX RESUMED THE CHAIR

7. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND THE MANAGER OF POLICY AND PLANNING REGULATIONS

7.1 Procedures for the Implementation of Ontario Regulation 172/06

RES. #11 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Orville Brown

WHEREAS: The NVCA's Fill, Construction and Alteration to Waterways Regulation (Ontario Regulation 164 R.R.O. 1990 has been replaced by the Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration To Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation (Ontario Regulation 172/06), effective May 4, 2006; and

WHEREAS: There is a need to revise procedures for the Implementation of Ontario Regulation 172/06 in order to provide direction for staff and the Board of Directors; and,

WHEREAS: The Executive Committee recommends that the Board of Directors adopt the NVCA Procedures as amended for the Implementation of Ontario Regulation 172/06 dated January 26, 2007; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That the Board of Directors endorses the NVCA Procedures for the Implementation of Ontario Regulation 172/06 dated February 9, 2007.

Carried;



7.2 Approvals under Conservation Authorities Act

RES. #12 MOVED BY: Orville Brown SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott
RESOLVED THAT: The permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period January 1 to December 31, 2006 be approved.

Carried;

RES. #12(a) MOVED BY: John Crawford SECONDED BY: Dennis Egan
RESOLVED THAT: The permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period January 1 to January 29, 2007 be approved.

Carried;

RES. #13 MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott
RESOLVED THAT: The Reports of the Director of Planning and the Manager of Policy and Planning Regulations, dated February 9, 2007, be received.

Carried;

8. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING

8.1 Renewal of the Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Network Program (PGMN) Partnership Agreement – (Information Update)
The CAO/Secretary Treasurer provided an update.

RES. #14 MOVED BY: Gord Montgomery SECONDED BY: Walter Benotto
RESOLVED THAT: A delegation of municipal representatives from the Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board be authorized to meet with the Ministers of the Ministry of the Environment, Ministry of Natural Resources, Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing and the Ministry of Finance to request that full funding, including cost of administration and infrastructure be funded for any programs they download to the Conservation Authorities; and,

THAT: This motion be circulated to Conservation Ontario.

Carried;

8.2 Source Water Protection Committee – (Information Update)
Chair Nix provided an overview of his letter sent to NVCA Municipal Mayor's and Council as noted in correspondence item 11(h).

8.3 Watershed Report Card – Draft Release

RES. # 14 MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott
WHEREAS: There is a need to communicate Watershed Health Status to our watershed residents, municipalities and other parties, therefore staff have prepared a draft Nottawasaga Watershed Report Card for Board member review; therefore;

BE IT RESOLVED THAT: The Board members be requested to provided feedback to staff regarding formatting and content by Feb 23, 2007; and



THAT: Staff be directed to circulate the final Watershed Report Cards to all Watershed Municipalities, NVCA Board Members, and other appropriate parties for their information and action.

Carried;

RES. #15 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Percy Way
RESOLVED THAT: The Reports of the Director of Engineering and Hydrogeologist, Coordinator Source Water Protection, dated February 9, 2007, be received.

Carried;

9. REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES

9.1 Board of Directors 2007 Per Diem Rate Increase

RES. #16 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Percy Way

RESOLVED THAT: Staff be directed to seek approval of the Ontario Municipal Board (OMB), pursuant to Section 37 of the Conservation Authorities Act, to apply a cost of living increase to NVCA Board of Directors' per diems of 1.9%, which represents the Ontario Consumer Price Index (CPI) averaged inflation rate from December 2005 to November 2006; and

THAT: The increase be effective as of January 1, 2007.

<u>(Recorded vote)</u>	<u>In Favour</u>	<u>Against</u>
Chair Fred Nix	Y	
Vice Chair: Walter Benotto	Y	
Members: Sandy Agnew	Y	
Mary Brett		N
Orville Brown	Y	
Reg Cowan	Y	
John Crawford		N
Lynn Dollin	Y	
Dennis Egan	Y	
Tom Elliott	Y	
Sonny Foley	Y	
Richard Lloyd	Y	
Gary Matthews		N
John McKean	Y	
Gord Montgomery		N
Joan Sutherland	Y	
Cal Patterson		N
Barry Ward	Y	
Percy Way	Y	

Carried;



RES. # 17 MOVED BY: Garry Matthews SECONDED BY: Percy Way

RESOLVED THAT: The Report of the Manager of Administration & Human Resources, dated February 9, 2007, be received.

Carried;

10. NEW BUSINESS

None Noted

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Conservation Authorities Moraine Coalition Meeting Notes dated Dec 13/06
- b) Correspondence sent to the City of Barrie and the County of Simcoe from W. Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer dated Jan 3/07 re: Nottawasaga River Assimilative Capacity Study and Future Area Wide Growth Management Plan
- c) Notice to all Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority partners in Conservation and Water Management, re: Waterwhed Plan Strategic Review.
- d) Conservation Corner by Shannon Stephens, Healthy Waters Program Coordinator re: A Bright New year of Conservation.
- e) Correspondence from the Township of Adjala-Tosorontio dated Jan 15/07 re: 2007 NVCA Budget and Municipal Levy Requirements.
- f) Correspondence from the Township of Melancthon dated Jan 18/07 re: NVCA Budget – 2007.
- g) Correspondence from the Township of Springwater dated Jan 22/07 re: 2007 NVCA Budget and Municipal Levy Requirements.
- h) Correspondence from Chair Nix to member municipalities re: Clean Water Act.

RES.#18 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Garry Mathews

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

Carried;

12. IN-CAMERA SESSION

RES#19 MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Tom Elliott

RESOLVED THAT: This meeting of the Executive Committee No. 02-07 go "In-Camera" at 12:24 p.m. to address matters pertaining to: security of the property of the Authority; litigation or potential litigation, including matters before administrative tribunals, affecting the Authority; and, the receiving of advice that is subject to solicitor/client privilege, including communications necessary for that purpose.



THAT: The following staff be in attendance: Wayne R. Wilson, B.Sc., Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer, Byron Wesson, Director, Land and Water Stewardship Services and Laurie Barron, Administrative Assistant/Recording Secretary.

Carried;

13. OUT OF IN-CAMERA

RES#20 MOVED BY: Garry Matthews SECONDED BY: Percy Way
RESOLVED THAT: This meeting of the Executive Committee No. 02-07 come out of "In-Camera" at 12:42 a.m.

Carried;

RES#21 MOVED BY: Walter Benotto SECONDED BY: Sonny Foley
RESOLVED THAT: Staff continue to work with the NVCA Executive Committee and NVCA Solicitor on the Utopia Grist Mill file and report back to the NVCA Full Board Accordingly.

Carried;

ORAL MOTION: MOVED BY: Garry Matthews SECONDED BY: Percy Way
THAT: The Board of Directors waive the 2nd meeting per diem

Carried;

14. ADVISORY COMMITTEES

Chair Fred Nix requested that the Board Members indicate which Advisory Committee they would like to sit on. The Advisory Committees will meet at the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

FUTURE MEETINGS

- EXECUTIVE MEETING – FEBRUARY 23/07
- BOARD OF DIRECTORS – MARCH 9/07

ADJOURNMENT

RES. #22 MOVED BY: Percy Way SECONDED BY: Gary Matthews
RESOLVED THAT: This meeting adjourn at 12:43 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Carried;

Fred Nix, Chair

Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer

Dated on the day of

, 2007