



**NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING 04/10**

9 April, 2010

**Tiffin Centre for Conservation–John L. Jose Environmental Learning Centre
MINUTES**

<u>PRESENT:</u>	
Chair: Walter Benotto	Town of Shelburne
Acting Vice Chair: Joan Sutherland	Town of New Tecumseth
<u>MEMBERS:</u>	
Rick Archdekin	Town of Wasaga Beach
Mary Brett	Town of Adjala-Tosorontio
Orville Brown	Township of Clearview
Chris Carrier	Town of Collingwood
Reg Cowan	Township of Springwater
Dan Davidson	Town of Innisfil
Terry Dowdall	Township of Essa
Tom Elliott	Township of Springwater
Ron Henderson	Township of Essa
Ralph Hough	Township of Oro-Medonte
Harry Hughes	Township of Oro-Medonte (left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.)
Garry Matthews	Township of Melancthon
John McKean	Town of the Blue Mountains
Rick Milne	Town of New Tecumseth (left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.)
Fred Nix	Town of Mono
Cal Patterson	Town of Wasaga Beach (left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.)
Gerald Poisson	City of Barrie
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
<u>REGRETS:</u>	
Dan Davidson	Town of Innisfil
Sonny Foley	Town of Collingwood
Vice Chair, Gord Montgomery	Town of Mulmur
Brian Mullin	Municipality of the Grey Highlands
Percy Way	Township of Amaranth

GUESTS:

Don Pearson, General Manager, Conservation Ontario
Sandy Agnew, Township of Oro-Medonte

STAFF PRESENT:

Acting CAO/Director of Land Operations & Stewardship Services
Manager of Stewardship Services
Director of Engineering and Technical Services
Manager of Watershed Monitoring
Director of Planning
Environmental Officer
Senior Planner

Byron Wesson
Fred Dobbs
Glenn Switzer
Dave Featherstone
Chris Hibberd
Barb Perreau
Patti Young

RECORDER: Laurie Barron, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

RES.#1 MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: Bill Van Berkel
RESOLVED THAT: The Agenda for Board of Directors Meeting #04/10 dated 9 April, 2010 be adopted.

Carried;

3. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION

None declared

4. MINUTES

4.1 Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 03/10 dated 12 March, 2010.

RES.#2 MOVED BY: Reg Cowan SECONDED BY: Bill Van Berkel
RESOLVED THAT: The Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting 03/10 dated 12 March, 2010 be approved.

Carried;

4.2 Draft Minutes of the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection Authority Meeting 01/10 dated 12 March, 2010.

RES.#3 MOVED BY: Bill Van Berkel SECONDED BY: Ron Simpson
RESOLVED THAT: The Draft Minutes of the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection Authority Meeting 01/10 dated 12 March, 2010 be received.

Carried;

4.3 Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 05/10 dated 26 March 2010.

RES.#4 MOVED BY: Bill Van Berkel SECONDED BY: Ron Simpson
RESOLVED THAT: The Draft Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting 05/10 dated 26 March, 2010 be received.

Carried;

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None noted

STAFF REPORTS

6. REPORT OF THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING

6.1 Permits for Ratification for the period March 4, 2010 to March 31, 2010.

RES.#5 MOVED BY: Robert Walker SECONDED BY: Orville Brown
RESOLVED THAT: The Permits/Approvals issued by staff for the period March 4, 2010 to March 31, 2010 be approved.

Carried;

7. REPORT OF THE MANAGER OF ADMINISTRATION AND HUMAN RESOURCES AND THE COMMUNICATION/PR ASSISTANT

7.1 Communications Report – March 2010

RES.#6 MOVED BY: Orville Brown SECONDED BY: Robert Walker

RESOLVED THAT: The Communications report for the month of March 2010 be received.

Carried;

8. REPORT OF THE CAO/SECRETARY TREASURER

NVCA Member Program Review Workshop

Byron Wesson, Acting CAO provided an overview of the NVCA mandate and purpose of the workshop. The purpose of the workshop was to review Conservation Authority mandate and NVCA programs and identify and review issues and solutions. The workshop was intended to give the board members and staff an opportunity to ensure the NVCA delivers the best programs it can to protect our environment, our citizens and our local economies as directed by the board members representing the best interests of the 18 watershed municipalities.

Don Pearson, General Manager, Conservation Ontario provided an overview of Conservation Authorities Profile, Legislative/Regulatory Framework and Watershed Planning Framework. Conservation Authorities play an important role in conservation, restoration, development and management of our natural resources. Water must be managed as an integrated whole to address multiple purposes/priorities. The watershed is the natural unit for managing water. Integrated watershed management recognizes that the largest impact on water is from activities on the land. In closing Don emphasized that successful water management requires partnerships to coordinate actions and share knowledge and financial resources.

The Board of Directors recessed at 10:15 a.m.

The Board of Directors reconvened at 10:30 a.m.

Rick Milne, member representing the Town of New Tecumseth left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

Glenn Switzer, Director of Engineering and Technical Services and Ralph Hough, Vice Chair of the Engineering Advisory Committee reviewed the various programs provided by Engineering and Technical Services.

Chris Hibberd, Director of Planning and Rick Archdekin, Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee reviewed the components of planning services provided by the NVCA

Byron Wesson, Director of Land Operations and Stewardship Services and Reg Cowan, Chair of the Lands Operations and Stewardship Services Advisory Committee reviewed the various programs and services provided by Land Operations and Technical Services.

Harry Hughes, member representing the Township of Oro-Medonte left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Cal Patterson, member representing the Town of Wasaga Beach left the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

QUESTION/DISCUSSION PERIOD

Discussion ensued. Chair Benotto asked the question – which services did the Board of Directors want reviewed by a third party. The general consensus was that a third party review of planning services be requested.

RES.#7 MOVED BY: Barry Ward SECONDED BY: Joan Sutherland

WHEREAS: The Board of Directors have reviewed the programs and services provided by the NVCA; and

WHEREAS: The Board of Directors have identified the following program/services to be reviewed - Planning Process and Customer Service; and

THAT: A complete review of these services be conducted in the following manner;

THAT: An external review be conducted by a company that understands Conservation Authority roles with municipalities in regard to planning; and

FURTHER THAT: The review cost not to exceed \$15,000.

Carried;

9. NEW BUSINESS

None noted

10. NOTICE OF MOTION

None presented

11. CORRESPONDENCE

- (a) Conservation Ontario letter to the Ministry of the Environment dated Mar 11/10 re: Extension of the 2007 Canada-Ontario Agreement respecting the Great Lakes Basin Ecosystem (EBR#010-9068)
- (b) Conservation Ontario letter to the Minister of Natural Resources dated Mar 12/10 re: MNR Policies and Procedures for CA Plan Review and Permitting Activities.
- (c) Nottawasaga Futures to Byron Wesson, Director of Land Operations and Stewardship Services dated Mar 31/10 re: thank you for supporting the launch of the South Simcoe Green Economy Transition Centre event.
- (d) Credit Valley CA letter to the Minister of Natural Resources dated Mar 26/10 re: Credit Valley CA meeting with Minister Jeffrey on March 23/10.
- (e) Article from March 2010 edition of Municipal World re: 10 Years after Walkerton, author Charley Worte, Source Water Protection Manager, Conservation Ontario.
- (f) Ontario Municipal Board dated Mar 9/10 re: notice of withdrawal of appeal NVCA with respect to 305 Mill Street, Angus, Township of Essa.

RES.#8 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Robert Walker
RESOLVED THAT: Correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

Carried;

FUTURE MEETINGS

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – April 9/10 (immediately following the Board meeting)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – April 23/10

BOARD OF DIRECTORS – May 14/10

EVENTS

SPRING TONIC – April 10 – 11, 2010

NVCA 50TH ANNIVERSARY COMMUNITY CELEBRATION AND TREE PLANT MAY 1ST 2010

ADJOURN

RES.#9 MOVED BY: Tom Elliott SECONDED BY: Chris Carrier

RESOLVED THAT: This meeting adjourn at 12:03 p.m. to meet again at the call of the Chair.

Carried;

Walter Benotto, N.V.C.A. Chair

Byron Wesson, Acting CAO

Dated this _____ day of _____, 2010