



## Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority

08-21-BOD

MINUTES

September 24, 2021

9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Virtual Meeting Via WebEx

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### Present:

Councillor Gail Little, Vice-Chair	Amaranth (Township)
Councillor Mariane Mcleod, Chair	Collingwood (Town)
Councillor Margaret Mercer	Melancthon (Township)
Mayor Floyd Pinto	Adjala-Tosorontio (Township)
Councillor Dane Nielsen	Grey Highlands (Municipality)
Councillor Andrea Matrosovs	Blue Mountains (Town)
Councillor Donna Jebb	New Tecumseth (Town)
Councillor Shirley Boxem	Mulmur (Township)
Councillor Rob Nicol	Innisfil (Town)
Councillor Cathy Keane	Oro-Medonte (Township)
Mayor Don Allen	Springwater (Township)
Deputy Mayor Michael Smith	Essa (Township)
Councillor Walter Benotto	Shelburne (Town) <i>(Arrived at 9:53am)</i>
Councillor Thom Paterson	Clearview (Township)
Councillor Raj Sandhu	Bradford West Gwillimbury (Town)
Councillor George Watson	Wasaga Beach (Town) <i>(Arrived at 9:40am)</i>

### Absent:

Councillor Ralph Manketlow	Mono (Town)
Councillor Gary Harvey	Barrie (City)

### Staff:

Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer; Chris Hibberd, Director Watershed Management Services; Byron Wesson, Director Conservation Services; Sheryl Flannagan, Director Corporate Services; Kerry Jenkins, Administrative Assistant/Recorder, Emma Perry, Planning Ecologist.

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair McLeod called the meeting to order at 9:01am

**2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishinaabeg. The Anishinaabeg include the Odawa, Salteaux, Anishinaabeg, Mississauga and Algonquin who spoke several languages including Anishinaabemowin and Potawatomi. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect with all First Nation, Métis and Inuit people.

**3. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were no Pecuniary and conflict of interest.

**4. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

*RES: 54-21*

Moved by: Cllr. Dane Nielsen    Seconded by: Mayor Don Allen

**RESOLVED THAT:** the agenda for the Board of Directors Meeting #08-21-BOD dated September 24, 2021 be approved.

**Carried;**

**5. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Chair McLeod introduced newly appointed Board member Mayor Floyd Pinto, Township of Adjala-Tosorontio.

**6. PRESENTATIONS**

Chris Hibberd, Director Watershed Management Services, conducted a presentation on Net Gains.

\*The resolution for this presentation is included in Staff Report No. 32-08-21-BOD.\*

**7. HEARINGS**

There were no hearings for this meeting.

**8. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Board Members were requested to identify items from the Consent List that they wish to have considered for separate discussion.

**9. ADOPTION OF CONSENT LIST AND IDENTIFICATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

*RES: 55-21*

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Michael Smith    Seconded by: Cllr. Shirley Boxem

**RESOLVED THAT:** agenda item number(s), C (i) and C (iv) was identified as requiring separate discussion, be referred for discussion under Agenda Item #9; and

**FURTHER THAT:** all Consent List Agenda Items not referred for separate discussion be adopted as submitted to the board and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same; and

**FURTHER THAT:** any items in the consent list not referred for separate discussion, and for which conflict has been declared, are deemed not to have been voted on or discussed by the individual making the declaration.

**Carried;**

**10. CONSENT LIST**

**a. Adoption of Minutes**

*Approved by Consent.*

**RESOLVED THAT:** the minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting #07-21-BOD dated August 27, 2021 be approved.

**Carried;**

**b. Correspondence**

There was no correspondence for this meeting.

**c. Staff Reports**

**i.** Staff Report No. 31-08-21-BOD from Byron Wesson, Director Conservation Services regarding the NVCA property use update.

*RES: 56-21*

Moved By: Cllr. Dane Nielsen    Seconded By: Cllr. Cathy Keane

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Board of Directors receive Staff Report No. 31-08-21-BOD regarding NVCA owned property legally described as Part Lot 7 Concession 6 Town of New Tecumseth.

**Carried;**

**ii.** Staff Report No. 32-08-21-BOD from Chris Hibberd, Director Watershed Management Services regarding the draft net gains guideline.

*Approved by Consent.*

**RESOLVED THAT:** The Board of Directors receive Staff Report No. 32-0821-BOD and approve the September 2021 Net Gains Guidelines.

**Carried;**

**iii.** Staff Report No. 33-08-21-BOD from Sheryl Flannagan, Director Corporate Services regarding the NVCA Covid-19 Vaccination Policy.

*Approved by Consent.*

**RESOLVED THAT:** The draft COVID-19 Vaccination Policy be approved and implemented.

**Carried;**

- iv** Staff Report No. 34-08-21-BOD from Sheryl Flanagan, Director Corporate Services regarding the 2022 Draft Budget.

*RES: 57-21*

Moved By: Cllr. Thom Paterson    Seconded By: Cllr. Andrea Matrosovs

**RESOLVED THAT:** Staff Report No. 34-08-21-BOD regarding the NVCA's 2022 Draft Budget be approved; and

**FURTHER THAT:** the Board of Directors receive the 2022 draft budget for consideration; and

**FURTHER THAT:** staff be directed to distribute the 2022 Draft Budget booklet to municipalities for the 30 day review period.

**Carried;**

- v.** Staff Report No.35-08-21-BOD from Maria Leung, Communications Coordinator regarding Communications Report – August 14, 2021 – September 10, 2021.

*Approved by Consent.*

**RESOLVED THAT:** Staff Report No. 35-08-21-BOD regarding NVCA Communications – August 14, 2021 – September 10, 2021, be received.

**Carried;**

## **11. OTHER BUSINESS**

CAO Hevenor – Recognized Simcoe County as it was selected as the Forest Capital of Canada for the second time in its history. Councillor Cathy Keane also noted that they received Deputation of Peace City.

Councillor Margaret Mercer – Question about flooding. Noted she received some email notifications about the significant amount of rain in the areas. Asked if there have been any areas within the CA that have experienced problems with flooding in the last week or so.

CAO Hevenor responded that NVCA had records of millimeters of rain in the watershed. There were only two river systems in the entire watershed that were showing above bank and reaching bank levels which were the Mad River and the Pretty River.

Mayor Floyd Pinto also thanked NVCA staff with their response to the flooding concern. It was very prompt and very well handled. The residents that called him were actually very happy that the response was so good.

Councillor Margaret Mercer – Question regarding fish ladders and the opening of the dam, it's a tourist thing and I think it's very interesting for people to see. This is peak season for that, is it not?

Director, Conservation Services, Byron Wesson responded that the fish ladders are typically the responsibility of the Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Councillor Andrea Matrosovs clarified that the Thornbury ladder is actually in the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority.

Chair Mariane McLeod – Question regarding the difficulty we've been having through WebEx, when does our contract with WebEx end so we can use zoom instead?

Director, Corporate Services, Sheryl Flannagan responded with our current contract doesn't end until March next year. Looking into Zoom or MS Teams. The biggest stumbling block is to make sure we can stream to YouTube through MS Teams. We are running some tests now and if it works we would like to use that. We will have a new platform as soon as possible.

## **12. ADJOURN**

*RES: 58-21*

Moved by: Cllr. Donna Jebb    Seconded by: Mayor Floyd Pinto

**RESOLVED THAT:** this meeting adjourn at 10:02am, to meet again on October 22, 2021 or at the call of the Chair

**Carried;**