



NVCA Board Meeting Highlights, March 24, 2017

Next Board Meeting: April 28, 2017
at Suite Works, 92 Caplan Ave., Barrie

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NVCA Receives \$13,000 grant from The UPS Foundation to support community tree planting

Staff reported that NVCA's community tree planting project received a 13,000 grant from The UPS Foundation early this month.

The UPS grant will become part of the larger community tree planting project, and will enable NVCA stewardship staff to create and implement planting plans for multiple sites throughout the watershed.



Byron Wesson, Director, Lands, Education and Stewardship Services (left) and Shannon Stephens, Healthy Waters Coordinator accept the donation from Mark Howden, UPS Marketing Director and Kresimir Zemljic, UPS Community Relations Manager (right) with thanks.

Municipal Services Agreements signed with Clearview and Essa

The board approved service agreements between NVCA and two member municipalities, the Township of Clearview and Township of Essa. The agreements clarify

roles and responsibilities with regards to applications under the *Planning Act*.

NVCA staff will continue to work with member municipalities to establish and/or update municipal service agreements, and to standardize these agreements where possible.

In brief

During the meeting the board also:

- received the summary from the first meeting of the Stakeholder Advisory Group that is providing input into the development of NVCA's Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan.
- received responses from member municipalities regarding the NVCA's asset management levy.
- received a deputation from David Featherstone, NVCA's Manager of Watershed Monitoring, regarding the work of authority staff in monitoring and reporting on the state of our watershed environment.

Drinking Water Source Protection Plan Implementation

At the meeting, the board met as the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection Authority (NVSPA). The NVSPA is one of three source protection authorities for the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region, and is authorized to act under Ontario's *Clean Water Act*.

Source water is untreated water from streams, lakes, rivers or underground aquifers that people use for drinking water supply.

Source water protection looks to stop contaminants from getting into sources of drinking water — lakes, rivers and underground aquifers — and preventing overuse of these water resources.

The NVSPA received an update from Lynn Dollin, Chair of the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee (SPC).

Chair Dollin advised that the SPC has appointed new members including a new municipal representative from the Nottawasaga Valley watershed, Debbie Korolnek. Ms. Korolnek is currently the General Manager for Engineering, Planning and Environment, for Simcoe County. Stan Wells, a current representative for the Nottawasaga Valley on the SPC, was in attendance at the meeting.

Chair Dollin shared that agricultural members Colin Elliot and John Hemsted attended an international conference at the University of Laval in Quebec and presented on source water protection.

Bill Thompson, Manager of Integrated Watershed Management at Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority provided a South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region update, touching on 2016/2017 education and outreach activities, and future implementation and funding.

Ryan Post, NVCA's Lead Hydrogeologist, provided the Risk Management Official's 2016 Annual Reports to the NVSPA as required under the *Clean Water Act*.

Future Meetings & Events

Spring Tonic Maple Syrup Festival

Saturday, April 8 and Sunday, April 9,
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

Nature Days for Homeschoolers

"Earth Day Art"

Friday April 21, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

NVCA Evening of Thanks

& Conservation Champion Recognition

Thursday, April 27, 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

(by invitation)

NVCA Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, April 28, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Suite Works, 92 Caplan Ave., Suite 309,

Barrie

NVCA Annual Tree Sale (Utopia)

Saturday, May 13, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

For more information on these events, please visit the [NVCA website](#).