

# NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

## Minutes of Annual General Board Meeting

Thursday, January 15, 2009

Room C-12  
Tom Davies Square

Commenced: 5:17 p.m.  
Adjourned: 6:12 p.m.

PRESENT:           Bob Rogers, Chair  
                      Joe Cimino  
                      Evelyn Dutrisac  
                      Joscelyne Landry-Altmann

ALSO PRESENT:    A. Bonnis  
                      P. Sajatovic  
                      Nels Conroy, GSSPC Chair  
                      Judy Sewell, DWSP

COMMUNICATIONS:   Jacques Barbeau  
                          John Dennis

1.     Chair Rogers opened the meeting. He wished all present a most productive 2009.
2.     No declarations of conflict were declared.
3.     Adoption of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Resolution 2009-01

Rogers - Landry-Altmann

That the January 15, 2009 agenda be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4.     Election of Officers - 2009

A. Bonnis assumed the Chair to conduct the elections. Members had been provided with election procedures information for the two positions to be filled. Following the required procedure, nominations for the position of Chair were requested.

Nominator  
Evelyn Dutrisac

Nominee  
Bob Rogers

No other nominations for the position of Chair were made, and Bob Rogers agreed to stand. The following resolution was then passed.

Resolution 2009-02

Landry-Altman - Cimino

That Bob Rogers be appointed Chair of the Nickel District Conservation Authority for the year 2009 and until the first meeting of the Authority in 2010.

Carried.

Nominations for the position of Vice-Chair were then requested.

Nominator

Nominee

Bob Rogers

John Dennis

No other nominations were made. A. Bonnis had correspondence from John Dennis indicating he would stand for the position. The following resolution was then passed.

Resolution 2009-03

Rogers - Dutrisac

That John Dennis be appointed Vice-Chair of the Nickel District Conservation Authority for the year 2009 and until the first meeting of the Authority in 2010.

Carried.

Chair Rogers assumed the chair and thanked all members for their support and the opportunity to again work together on watershed issues.

5. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) December 11, 2008

Resolution 2009-04

Landry-Altman - Dutrisac

That the minutes of the December 11, 2008 General Board meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.

Carried.

b) Business Arising from Minutes

- i) The member municipality has advertised to fill the position on the N.D.C.A. board made vacant by the departure of Liette Vasseur. It was noted that the City's Nominating Committee will be meeting on January 21<sup>st</sup> to review all the applications submitted. A recommendation to appoint a new member will likely go to City Council on January 28<sup>th</sup>. Chair Rogers outlined to members some of the qualifications/interests/strengths that should be considered when reviewing the applications submitted. The new member will be welcomed at the next General Board meeting.

6. Chair's 2008 Report

The Chair's 2008 Report was presented. Chair Rogers highlighted a number of the major initiatives in 2008 including the highly successful Biennial Tour. Members thanked Chair Rogers for the report, and for representing the N.D.C.A. so effectively within and outside the watershed. A resolution was then presented.

Resolution 2009-05

Dutrisac - Cimino

That the Chair's 2008 Report be received as presented,  
AND FURTHER that copies of the report be sent to members of City Council, the local media outlets, and be posted on the N.D.C.A. website.

Carried.

7. Appointment of Signing Officers - 2009

Resolution 2009-06

Dutrisac - Rogers

That the signing officers for the Nickel District Conservation Authority for 2009, and until the first meeting in 2010 be:

a) Chair, OR

b) Vice-Chair

AND

c) General Manager, OR

d) Director of Corporate & Watershed Management Services.

Carried.

8. Borrowing Resolution - 2009

Resolution 2009-07

Dutrisac - Landry-Altmann

That for the year 2009, the signing officers as designated, be empowered to arrange any necessary borrowing from time to time, by promissory note, of funds necessary for approved Authority projects and programs, to a maximum amount of \$200,000.

Carried.

9. Appointment of Solicitor - 2009

Resolution 2009-08

Landry-Altman - Cimino

That Mr. J. D. Innes, an Associate in the legal firm Desmarais, Keenan, be appointed as the N.D.C.A.'s Solicitor for the Year 2009.

Carried.

10. General Business

a) Appointments to Greater Sudbury Source Protection Authority - 2009

Resolution 2009-09

Landry-Altman - Cimino

That the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Authority for 2009, and until the 2010 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) Bob Rogers
- 2) John Dennis
- 3) Jacques Barbeau
- 4) Joe Cimino
- 5) Evelyn Dutrisac, and
- 6) Joscelyne Landry-Altman

b) Appointments to N.D.C.A. Regulations Review Committee - 2009

Resolution 2009-10

Cimino - Dutrisac

That the following individuals are hereby appointed to the N.D.C.A. Regulations Review Committee for 2009, and until the 2010 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) John Dennis
- 2) Evelyn Dutrisac
- 3) Jacques Barbeau

Carried.

c) Appointments to Nickel District Conservation Foundation - 2009

Resolution 2009-11

Cimino - Landry-Altman

That the following members from the N.D.C.A. General Board are appointed to the Nickel District Conservation Foundation for 2009, and until the 2010 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) Bob Rogers
- 2) John Dennis

Carried.

d) Conservation Ontario Council Appointments - 2009

Resolution 2009-12

Cimino - Landry-Altman

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority's appointments to Conservation Ontario for the Year 2009, and until the 2010 Annual General Board meeting, are as follows:

- 1) Voting Representative - Bob Rogers
- 2) Council Alternate - John Dennis, and
- 3) Second Alternate - Allen Bonnis.

Carried.

e) Adjustments to Rates & Expenses - 2009

Resolution 2009-13

Cimino - Landry-Altman

That adjustments to rates and expenses for 2009 as outlined in the staff report dated January 2, 2009, be approved.

Carried.

f) 2009 General Board Meeting Schedule

Members discussed their preferences for scheduling General Board meetings in 2009. It was agreed that Thursdays at 4:00 p.m. work well. Staff was directed to finalize the meeting room locations at Tom Davies Square and then post the meeting schedule on the N.D.C.A. website and have the dates entered in members' electronic calendars. The following resolution was then passed.

Resolution 2009-14

Dutrisac - Cimino

That the 2009 meeting schedule for the N.D.C.A. General Board be as follows:

- 1) the third Thursday of each month at 4:00 p.m., with the exception of the meeting for February, 2009.

Carried.

g) 2009 N.D.C.A. Budget

Members were advised that the City's Finance Committee had met on January 12<sup>th</sup> to continue the 2009 budget review process. Although a final municipal budget has not yet been approved, it seems quite likely that the N.D.C.A. will receive the funding requested from the member municipality for 2009. The N.D.C.A. is very appreciative of the support and will now work on implementing the project/program activities for watershed residents.

h) Drinking Water Source Protection Program

i) Proposal to Hire Technical Field Staff

Judy Sewell, DWSP Project Co-ordinator, with assistance from GSSPC Chair Nels Conroy, presented a proposal to hire technical field staff to support the work of the Drinking Water Source Protection Program. A very detailed written report was provided and members had many questions. Following a very thorough discussion, a resolution was presented.

Resolution 2009-15

Landry-Altman - Cimino

That the N.D.C.A. hereby approves the recruitment process for Technical field staff to support the Drinking Water Source Protection project as outlined in the staff report dated January 15, 2009, subject to continuing 100% Provincial funding,

AND FURTHER that the hiring of these employees will have to be approved by the N.D.C.A. General Board.

Carried.

i) N.D.C.A. Climate Change Position Paper

The N.D.C.A. General Board is committed to finalizing a Climate Change Position Paper for the N.D.C.A. watersheds in the first quarter of 2009. Liette Vasseur is taking the lead on behalf of the N.D.C.A. even though she has now left the General Board. The N.D.C.A. position paper will focus on impacts on hydrology and water resources, incorporating reference to source protection work, and the impacts on N.D.C.A. and municipal infrastructure due to more severe and frequent rainfall events, etc. An updated version of the Position Paper will be presented at the March General Board meeting. As well, the N.D.C.A. looks forward to working with other partners in the community to move forward with climate change adaptation strategies.

11. In-Camera Matters

No in-camera items were dealt with at this meeting.

12. New Business

- a) It was agreed that due to the scheduling of a City Finance Committee meeting on Thursday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the N.D.C.A. Board meeting would not be held. However, if there are matters that have to be dealt with, it will be done through e-mail poll and confirmed by formal resolution at the General Board meeting to be held on March 19<sup>th</sup>.

No other business was transacted.

13. Adjournment

Resolution 2009-16

Landry-Altmann - Cimino

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.