

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Minutes of General Board Meeting

Thursday, June 18, 2015

Lake Laurentian Conservation Area

Commenced: 4:35 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:55 p.m.

PRESENT: Lin Gibson, Chairperson
Jennifer Davidson
Mike Jakubo
Stephen Kaufman
Deb McIntosh
Paul Sajatovic

ALSO PRESENT: C. Jorgensen, N.D.C.A.
Dick Hibma - Chair, Conservation Ontario
Kim Gavine - General Manager, Conservation Ontario

COMMUNICATION: Mark Signoretti
Joscelyne Landry-Altmann
Anne Watelet

1. Chairperson Gibson opened the meeting by welcoming all present, including guests from Conservation Ontario, Kim Gavine and Dick Hibma.

2. Presentation to Judy Sewell on her Retirement

A presentation was made to Judy thanking her for her years of service. Various members and staff spoke of her dedication and pivotal role in the success of the Source Water Protection Program. Judy thanked everyone graciously.

3. No declarations of conflict were declared.

4. Adoption of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Resolution 2015-46

Davidson - Kaufman

That the agenda for the June 18, 2015 N.D.C.A. General Board meeting be adopted as revised as follows:

That item 6(a) CA Act Review be changed to item 5©.

That an addition be made to 7(d) to include a resolution regarding a donation from the Nickel District Conservation Foundation.

That a discussion item be added under New Business at 7(e) regarding the City of Greater Sudbury's third public review phase of its Transportation Plan.

Carried.

5. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) May 14, 2015

Resolution 2015-47

Kaufman - Davidson

That the minutes of the May 14, 2015 General Board meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved, with the correction of 5(a) regarding the mover/seconded of Resolution 2015-37 being members McIntosh and Landry-Altman respectively. Also that a typo is corrected at 5(c).

Carried.

b) Business Arising from Minutes

i) Biennial Tour

Resolution 2015-48

Kaufman - Davidson

That the following General Board member be authorized to attend the Biennial Tour to be held in September, 2015: Lin Gibson
Carl Jorgensen (staff) will also attend..

Carried.

ii) Board Intern

Carl Jorgensen indicated that we would need to make an application to the United Way for its Young Leaders on Board program and that we should identify a mentor for this purpose. It was noted that member Watelet had previously expressed interest in this role. The application will be submitted and addressed again at the September meeting.

c) Conservation Ontario Update - Dick Hibma and Kim Gavine provided a brief update from Conservation Ontario's perspective.

The Ontario government is looking at two important items of interest to all Conservation Authorities: wetland protection policies and a review of the CA Act. The *Conservation Authorities Act* is being reviewed on three fronts: governance, roles and responsibilities. In this context the Conservation Authority program is being looked at. A discussion paper prepared by MNRF staff is in circulation within the government only, but will be released on the EBR at some date soon. All CAs and CO will be stakeholders. Conservation Ontario will provide guidance and support to all CAs and act as a central point of messaging. It is important that all CAs are up to date and that the feedback to the government through this process is both consistent and locally appropriate.

6. General Business

a) Section 28 Permits Report (May, 2015)

Clarification was provided regarding a violation notice which had been issued.

Resolution 2015-49

McIntosh - Jakubo

That the N.D.C.A. Permit 2015-7 & 2015-8 issued in May, 2015, under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act be approved as outlined in the Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines/Watercourses report.

Carried

b) Fast Flow Water Program

Lin Gibson provided an update on activities under this program highlighting the presentations to schools.

The program wrapped up this morning with the awards presentation to the schools for the video and poster contests.

d) Friends of Lake Laurentian

In Mark's absence, Carl provided a brief update on the F.L.L. Sign Plan. The F.L.L. Steering Committee launched the sign plan on May 20 and had good press coverage: it was well-attended by staff, volunteers and councillors. The next F.L.L. meeting will be held in September. The boardwalk is now completed and we will look to July 2nd or 3rd as a good opening date.

7. New Business

a) Latornell Symposium

Resolution 2015-50

Jakubo - McIntosh

That the following General Board members be authorized to attend the Latornell Symposium to be held in November, 2015:

Jennifer Davidson
Lin Gibson
Carl Jorgensen (staff) will also attend.

Carried.

b) Cancellation of July and August Meetings

Resolution 2015-51

McIntosh - Jakubo

That the July and August, 2015 N.D.C.A. General Board meetings be cancelled,

AND FURTHER that subject to the call of the Chairperson, a meeting will be held if necessary.

Carried.

c) Strategic Plan - Steering Committee Members

Resolution 2015-52

McIntosh - Jakubo

That the following be appointed to the Strategic Planning Steering Committee:

Lin Gibson
Paul Sajatovic
Jennifer Davidson
Anne Watelet
Bob Rogers
Carl Jorgensen

Carried.

d) Request for Donation from Nickel District Conservation Foundation

Resolution 2015-53

Kaufman - Davidson

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority request the Nickel District Conservation Foundation donate \$50,000 to support the operations of the Lake Laurentian Conservation Area and Camp Bitobig.

Carried.

e) Master Plan for Transportation

Later this month the City of Greater Sudbury is planing a third public information session regarding its Transportation Master Plan. There was some discussion about the Authority providing comment at this time. It was discussed that there will be an opportunity later to submit our comments and this can be carried over to another date.

8. In-Camera (Personnel/Legal/Property)

At 5:22 p.m. a resolution was passed to go in-camera.

Resolution 2015-54

Davidson - Sajatovic

That we go in-camera at 5:22 p.m.

Carried.

At 5:44 p.m. the Board moved out of camera and advised that one resolution emanated from the in-camera session.

Resolution 2015-55

Kaufman - Sajatovic

That Mojgan Esfahaninejad be hired for the position of Information Management/GIS Specialist, effective July 6, 2015,

AND FURTHER that the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer is hereby authorized to execute a one-year Term Employment Contract with her.

Carried.

No other business was transacted.

9. Adjournment

Resolution 2015-56

Sajatovic - Davidson

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.