

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



MINUTES OF GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, October 11, 2018

Northern Water Sports Centre
206 Ramsey Lake Rd. Sudbury

Commenced: 4:40 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:15 p.m.

PRESENT: Lin Gibson, Chairperson
Steve Kaufman, Vice Chair
Jennifer Davidson
Paul Sajatovic
Mark Signoretti

ALSO PRESENT: Carl Jorgensen, Secretary –Treasurer, General Manager
Sarah Woods, staff
Madison Keegans, staff

COMMUNICATION: Fern Cormier
Mike Jakubo
Joscelyne Landry-Altman
Anne Watelet

1. Chairperson Lin Gibson opened the meeting by providing some opening remarks:
 - Carl attended the Conservation Ontario meeting on behalf of the Authority in September.
 - Lin indicated that there will be a Source Protection Committee meeting shortly to complete the Section 36 update, and that will be coming to the Source Protection Authority at the next meeting.
 - An audit by the Province is currently underway at the Niagara Region Conservation Authority and it is anticipated that the recommendations forthcoming will have broader implications for all CAs
 - Former Member of the Authority, Councilor Dutrisac is planning on recognizing Conservation Sudbury at her retirement celebration for the efforts by the Authority in Ward 4 over the years.
2. ~~No declarations of conflict were made.~~ Member Kaufman brought to the Board's attention the involvement of his employer, Golder Associates Ltd, in the construction and operation of the Ramsey Aquatic Monitoring Station (RAMS), discussed in item 7. a). No resolutions are associated with this item.
3. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution 2018-69

Sajatovic - Signoretti

That the agenda for the October 11, 2018 General Board Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meetings

Resolution 2018-70

Kaufman - Davidson

That the minutes of the September 13, 2018 General Board Meeting, as circulated and reviewed, be approved.

Carried.

5. General Business

a) LID Project update

Staff member Madison Keegans gave an update on the project. The Members had a few questions that Madison addressed. Installation of the Low Impact Development system is anticipated for late October.

b) Section 28/29 Report

Resolution 2018-71

Kaufman – Davidson

That the Report for permits issued under Section 28 and Section 29 of the Conservation Authorities Act for September 2018 is received.

Carried.

c) Regulation Review Committee report

Steve Kaufman chaired the Regulations Review Committee hearing on August 20 and gave a brief overview of the outcomes.

Resolution 2018-72

Sajatovic - Signoretti

Given that the Regulations Review Committee met with the applicants at a public hearing on August 20, 2018, and that the applicants and Authority staff were provided ample opportunity to explain their positions, to ask and respond to a variety of questions, and

That the Committee deliberated in-camera based on the information provided to

them, and not reaching a decision at that time, requested that more background information be sought out by staff and, if discovered be provided, and

That a supplementary report prepared by staff within 30 days of the hearing was provided to the Committee and was reviewed, and a consensus was obtained by the committee's Chair from all of its members, therefore

be it resolved

That the application by Anne Marie Levesque for a permit to place fill at 125 Blais Road in Balfour Township is denied in accordance with the information presented to the Regulations Review Committee.

Carried.

d) Third reading of new Administrative By-Law

Carl highlighted some of the changes that were made since the last meeting. Member Signoretti asked that more options be presented under section C.10. Carl will draft and circulate options prior to the next board meeting. Resolution deferred.

e) Financial Update to September 30 (75%)

Carl

Resolution 2018-73

Kaufman – Signoretti

That the financial report circulated by the General Manager is received.

Carried.

6. In Camera Session

Resolution 2018-74

Kaufman – Signoretti

That we go in-camera at 5:35 pm.

Carried.

At 5:50 p.m. the Board ended the in-camera session with no resolutions forthcoming

7. New Business

a) RAMS Discussion

Carl and Steve explained the data collection capabilities of RAMS (the Ramsey

Aquatic Monitoring Station). The City of Greater Sudbury is currently looking for a partner to assume some or all of the future operation of the system. A discussion ensued and the Members requested the development of a business case prior to considering participating as a partner in the system.

b) Follow-up to Resolution 2016-57, Ecological Gifts Program

NDCA has been approved as an eligible recipient under the Ecological Gifts Program.

c) Next Meeting

Carl advised that because of a scheduling conflict the next General Board meeting will be held at Minnow Lake Place at 4:30pm on November 8th

d) NDMP + Sign Plan publicity – October 12, 2:30 PM at the Nature Chalet

Carl reminded board members of the event to take place tomorrow.

8. Adjournment

Resolution 2018-75

Sajatovic – Kaufman

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.