

Resolution 2012-02

Gibson - Barbeau

That the minutes of the October 27, 2011 General Board meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.

Carried.

b) November 7, 2011 E-Mail Poll

Resolution 2012-03

Landry-Altman - Gibson

That the results of the November 7, 2011 E-Mail Poll, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.

Carried.

c) Business Arising from Minutes

No items of business were raised that were not already on the agenda for the annual meeting.

5. Presentation - Vermilion River Stewardship Group

Chair Rogers welcomed Linda Heron and Lesley Flowers to the meeting. Linda proceeded with a powerpoint presentation touching upon numerous issues including possible hydroelectric developments on the Vermilion River, the outbreak of blue green algae on a section of the lower Vermilion River in late September/early October, 2011, concerns with water quality for residents with private water supplies, wastewater treatment plant operations upstream and potential impacts on water quality, etc. The presentation also referenced the Clean Water Act, 2006 and the fact that work occurring in Greater Sudbury does not include private supply sources. A letter sent to the N.D.C.A./G.S.S.P.A. dated January 4, 2012 was also referenced. The final slide in the presentation requested the N.D.C.A./G.S.S.P.A. to consider taking specific actions to address the concerns outlined. Chair Rogers and P. Sajatovic responded briefly to the requests and committed to provide a more formal response as soon as reasonably possible. Chair Rogers thanked Linda and Lesley for a very informative and considered presentation. The N.D.C.A. is prepared to maintain contact and communication with the Vermilion River Stewardship Group.

6. Election of Officers - 2012

Information was distributed to members pertaining to the procedure to follow in electing Officers for 2012. P. Sajatovic assumed the Chair to conduct the elections for Chair and Vice-Chair of the N.D.C.A. for 2012.

The floor was opened for the nomination of candidates for the position of Chair.

Nominee
Bob Rogers

Nominator
Joscelyne Landry-Altmann

A motion to close nominations after two further requests for any nominations, was
Moved by: Joscelyne Landry-Altmann, and
Seconded by: Lin Gibson.

Bob Rogers agreed to stand for the position of Chair for 2012.

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

Nominee
Lin Gibson

Nominator
Bob Rogers

A motion to close nominations, after two further requests for any nominations, was
Moved by: Russ Thompson, and
Seconded by: Jacques Barbeau.

Lin Gibson agreed to stand for the position of Vice-Chair for 2012.

The following two resolutions were then introduced.

Resolution 2012-04

Landry-Altmann - Gibson

That Bob Rogers be appointed Chair of the Nickel District Conservation Authority for the year 2012 and until the Annual Meeting of the Authority in 2013.

Carried.

Resolution 2012-05

Thompson - Barbeau

That Lin Gibson be appointed Vice-Chair of the Nickel District Conservation Authority for the year 2012 and until the Annual Meeting of the Authority in 2013.

Carried.

P. Sajatovic returned the Chair to Bob Rogers. Chair Rogers thanked members for their support and confidence. Chair Rogers welcomed and encouraged the involvement of all members and staff throughout 2012 in conducting the business of Conservation Sudbury - Nickel District Conservation Authority.

7. Appointment of Signing Officers - 2012

Resolution 2012-06

Thompson - Barbeau

That the signing officers for the Nickel District Conservation Authority for 2012, and until the Annual Meeting in 2013 be:

a) Chair, OR

b) Vice-Chair

AND

c) General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer.

Carried.

8. Bank Borrowing Resolution - 2012

Resolution 2012-07

Thompson - Barbeau

That for the year 2012, 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 - 2012

Resolution 2012-08

Thompson - Barbeau

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 2012.

Carried.

10. Appointment of Auditor - 2012

Resolution 2012-09

Barbeau - Thompson

That Fred Slade and Associates, Chartered Accountant, be retained to provide audit and accounting consultation services to the N.D.C.A. and N.D.C.F. for 2011 and 2012, for the fixed fees as outlined in the proposal dated February 2, 2011,

AND FURTHER that in September, 2012, the N.D.C.A. distribute a Request for Proposal to local Chartered Accountant firms for services over a three (3) year period 2013-2015, with option to renew in years 4 and 5, 2016-2017.

Carried.

11. Appointments to Greater Sudbury Source Protection Authority - 2012

Resolution 2012-10

Barbeau - Thompson

That the following individuals are hereby appointed to the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Authority for 2012, and until the 2013 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) Bob Rogers
- 2) Mark Signoretti
- 3) Jacques Barbeau
- 4) Joe Cimino
- 5) Evelyn Dutrisac
- 6) Joscelyne Landry-Altmann
- 7) Anne Watelet
- 8) Russ Thompson, and
- 9) Lin Gibson.

Carried.

12. Conservation Ontario Council Appointments - 2012

Resolution 2012-11

Barbeau - Thompson

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority's appointments to Conservation Ontario for the Year 2012, and until the 2013 Annual General Board meeting, are as follows:

- 1) Voting Representative - Bob Rogers
- 2) Council Alternate - Lin Gibson, and
- 3) Second Alternate - Paul Sajatovic.

Carried.

13. Appointments to N.D.C.A. Regulations Review Committee - 2012

Resolution 2012-12

Thompson - Barbeau

That the following individuals are hereby appointed to the N.D.C.A. Regulations Review Committee for 2012, and until the 2013 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) Joscelyne Landry-Altmann
- 2) Lin Gibson
- 3) Jacques Barbeau
- 4) Russ Thompson.

Carried.

14. Appointments to Nickel District Conservation Foundation - 2012

Resolution 2012-13

Gibson - Landry-Altmann

That the following members from the N.D.C.A. General Board are appointed to the Nickel District Conservation Foundation for 2012, and until the 2013 Annual General Board meeting:

- 1) Lin Gibson
- 2) Anne Watelet
- 3) Mark Signoretti.

Carried.

15. Adjustments to Rates & Expenses - 2012

A memo from P. Sajatovic had been distributed to members dealing with adjustments to rates and expenses for 2012 based on the existing N.D.C.A. policy. The rates and expenses relate to the Chair's Honorarium, mileage rates, meeting per diems and travel per diems. A resolution was then presented to members

Resolution 2012-14

Gibson - Landry-Altman

That adjustments to rates and expenses for 2012 as outlined in the staff report dated January 3, 2012, be approved and be implemented immediately.

Carried.

16. 2012 General Board Meeting Schedule

Direction was sought from members on their preference for the 2012 General Board meeting schedule. It was noted that monthly meetings could no longer be held on the third Thursday of each month due to meetings now scheduled for the City's Lake Advisory Panel. Members Gibson, Barbeau and Cimino are on this panel. As well, member Watelet has limitations during the current semester at Laurentian University. Following a detailed discussion, a resolution was presented. The meeting dates and locations at Tom Davies Square will be confirmed immediately and then be sent to members to post in their electronic calendars.

Resolution 2012-15

Thompson - Watelet

That the N.D.C.A. 2012 General Board meetings be held on the 2nd Thursday of each month starting at 6:00 p.m.,

AND FURTHER that the July and August 2012 meetings be held at the call of the Chair if deemed necessary,

AND FURTHER that the date, time and location for the December 2012 General Board meeting be determined no later than October, 2012.

Carried.

17. General Business

a) Chair's 2011 Report

The Chair's Report for 2011 had been distributed to members. Included was the General Manager's 2011 Performance/Action Plan Implementation Report. Chair Rogers and P. Sajatovic highlighted a number of the initiatives undertaken throughout 2011. The dedication and commitment of members and staff was acknowledged with sincere thanks. The reports will be distributed in the very near future and will be posted on the Conservation Sudbury-Nickel District Conservation Authority website.

Resolution 2012-16

Thompson - Landry-Altman

That the Chair's 2011 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.

b) N.D.C.A. Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (AODA) Policy

The government of Ontario enacted this Act in 2005. The A.O.D.A. allows the government to develop specific standards of accessibility with the purpose of making organizations in Ontario more accessible to all customers. The N.D.C.A. is committed to excellence in serving all customers including people with disabilities. The N.D.C.A. Accessible Customer Service Policy was developed and reviewed by the General Board. Board members also took advantage of a training module provided by the Province in order to be compliant with this policy in their capacity as N.D.C.A. decision makers. After a number of questions were answered, the following resolution was presented.

Resolution 2012-17

Thompson - Landry-Altman

That the N.D.C.A. Customer Service Accessibility Policy as required under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act, 2005 (A.O.D.A.) which became effective January 1, 2012, is hereby approved,

AND FURTHER that the policy be posted on the N.D.C.A. corporate website.

Carried.

c) Section 28 Permits Report - December, 2011

A report outlining the Section 28 permits issued in December, 2011 was distributed to members in the agenda package. Member Watelet requested further information

related to one of the applications. Member Gibson reported that in a recent conversation with one of the applicants, very positive feedback had been received in terms of how efficient N.D.C.A. staff had been and Member Gibson asked that this observation be passed on to staff. A resolution was then presented.

Resolution 2012-18

Barbeau - Gibson

That N.D.C.A. Permits 2011-58 to and including 2011-61, issued in December, 2011, be approved as outlined in the Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines/Watercourses and Fisheries Files report.

Carried.

d) Correspondence - Tributary 3 Channelization (Chelmsford)

The N.D.C.A. had received a letter from Mr. Richard Berthiaume concerning this project. The original capital project was completed in the late 1970's. Mr. Berthiaume was requesting consideration to complete the enclosure of this watercourse based on safety and flood control considerations. A report from P. Sajatovic was provided to members. Member Watelet submitted a report at the meeting suggesting that another option than just enclosing the watercourse be considered. Members had a number of questions and thoroughly considered all options. Following the discussion a resolution was presented.

Resolution 2012-19

Gibson - Barbeau

That in response to the inquiry received from Mr. Richard Berthiaume related to the Tributary III Channelization Project (Chelmsford), the N.D.C.A. is prepared to complete a report, outlining two options as to what it would cost to enclose and naturalize/landscape the remaining section of Tributary III to the north side of Highway 144, including associated costs,

AND FURTHER that S. A. Kirchhefer Ltd. be retained to complete the report at an upset cost of \$8,000, with the funding to come from the N.D.C.A. Levy Stabilization Reserve,

AND FURTHER that the report be delivered in time for the March, 2012 General Board meeting at which time the General Board will have to decide on how to proceed with this special project if deemed feasible.

Carried.

e) 2012 Conservation Sudbury - N.D.C.A. Action Plan

The General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer submitted a report to General Board members providing a blueprint of the major strategic projects/programs/initiatives to

be undertaken during 2012. P. Sajatovic provided more detail and indicated that this is a performance based approach that the General Board can use to ensure the priorities of the organization are being met by staff during the year. Members sought clarification on a number of the priorities outlined. After these questions were answered, the following resolution was presented.

Resolution 2012-20

Barbeau - Gibson

That the 2012 Action Plan for the Nickel District Conservation Authority as distributed be approved,

AND FURTHER that the General Manager provide detailed written quarterly reports to outline the progress made in achieving the strategic operational priorities outlined.

Carried.

f) Approval of N.D.C.A. Personnel Policy

Work on a complete update to the N.D.C.A. Personnel Policy proceeded throughout 2011. Final consideration of the policy was undertaken at the Annual General Board meeting. P. Sajatovic thanked members and staff for their absolutely essential involvement in finalizing the policy. After a few final questions related to certain parts of the policy, a resolution was tabled for consideration by members.

Resolution 2012-21

Thompson - Barbeau

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority Personnel Policy is hereby approved as distributed,

AND FURTHER that the Social Networking Use Policy to be incorporated into the full Personnel Policy be presented to the General Board for final approval as soon as possible in 2012,

AND FURTHER that the Personnel Policy will be reviewed and updated on a continuous basis.

Carried.

18. In-Camera Matters (Personnel/Legal/Property)

Resolution 2012-22

Landry-Altman - Gibson

That we go in-camera at 6:31 p.m.

Carried.

At 6:41 p.m., the Chair of the in-camera session reported that legal and personnel matters had been discussed and that no resolutions would be forthcoming at this time.

19. New Business

No other business was transacted at this meeting.

20. Adjournment

Resolution 2012-23

Thompson - Watelet

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.