



Minutes of Meeting # 1/12

Meeting #1/12, the 33rd Annual General Meeting, was held on Wednesday, January 11, 2012 at Oliver's Nest Golf Club. Chair Villemaire called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Present: Donna Villemaire, Chair
Ted Smith
Don LaCombe
Jim Chaplin
John Hancock
Heather Stauble
Ron Hooper
Chuck Mercier

Regrets : Vice-chair Pat Warren
Rob Messervey, CAO

Staff: Wanda Stephen, Director, Corporate Services (Acting CAO)
Mark Majchrowski, Director, Watershed Management
Peter Waring, Manager, Planning and Regulation
Dave Pridham, Manager, Environmental and Technical Services
Cindy Haney, Administrative Assistant
Leah Breivik, Resources Planner
Saleem A. Sial, Watershed Engineer
Jason Ross, Regulation Officer
Lee Youmans, Planning Program Assistant
Brent Kulba, Communications Specialist
Nancy Apsden, Coordinator, Environmental Programs, GIS Specialist
Chantel Ford, Planning Information Specialist
Rachel Morse, Watershed Reporting Technician
Shalin Abbott, Stewardship Co-ordinator
Jessie James, Conservation Areas Co-ordinator
Emma Northey, LCVI Co-op Assistant Technician
Brett Tregunno, Co-ordinator, Environmental Programs, Aquatic Biologist
Alex Shulyarenko, Water Quality Specialist
Rob Stavinga, Watershed Resources Technician
Iryna Shulyarenko, Hydrologist
Paul Buckley, Source Water Protection Planning Technician
Dawna Rycroft, Executive Assistant

Guest Speakers: MPP Laurie Scott
Joan Chamberlain, Manager, Resource Conservation, Trent-Severn Waterway
Geoff Coulson, Warning Preparedness Meteorologist at Environment Canada

Guests: 91 Guests were present for this meeting

Welcoming Remarks and Introductions

Chair Villemaire welcomed guests and introduced Board Members and Kawartha Conservation staff.

Adoption of Agenda

Resolution #1/12

Moved by: Chuck Mercier
Seconded by: John Hancock

Resolved, That, the agenda for Meeting #1/12 be adopted as received.

CARRIED

MPP Laurie Scott, Haliburton-Kawartha Lakes-Brock – Perspectives from Queens Park

Chair Villemaire introduced Ms. Scott and thanked her for attending as a guest speaker.

MPP Scott welcomed all guests and thanked Kawartha Conservation for the invitation to speak. She outlined her responsibilities as the Progressive Conservative critic for the Ministry of Natural Resources. MPP Scott also spoke to issues and challenges that would be faced in the upcoming year.

2011 in Review - Presentation

Mr. Majchrowski, Director, Watershed Management gave a presentation on the 2011 accomplishments and an overview of the priorities and work plans for 2012.

Managing the Trent-Severn Waterway

Joan Chamberlain, Manager, Resource Conservation, Trent-Severn Waterway spoke to the current initiatives being undertaken as a result of a report from a panel on the future of the TSW and the government response to that report. She also highlighted the partnership with Kawartha Conservation in managing the Trent-Severn Waterway Shoreline.

Severe weather, locally and across Ontario

Geoff Coulson, Warning Preparedness Meteorologist at Environment Canada gave a presentation speaking to the roles and responsibilities of the people working at the Ontario Storm Prediction Centre, and the watch warning program used by Environment Canada.

Environmental Recognition Awards

Chair Villemaire presented the Environmental Recognition Awards as follows:

Partner Awards recognizing partner organizations that have made significant contributions to projects or programs at Kawartha Conservation. Presented by Director Stauble to:

Victoria Stewardship Council – Doug van Hemessen
Oak Ridges Moraine Foundation – Lisa Turnbull
Fleming College – Linda Skilton

Individual Conservation Awards recognizing outstanding people who have undertaken projects, demonstrated leadership, and inspired others. Presented by Director LaCombe to:

Bob Pool
Lou Probst (unable to attend)
Dave Simser

Community Conservationist Awards recognizing volunteer-based, community or organized groups that have successfully undertaken projects that contribute to a healthier watershed. Presented by Director Mercier to:

Kawartha Lake Stewards Association – Kathleen MacKenzie
Scugog Lake Stewards – Jamie Ross, Barbara Karthein
Pine Point Park Ltd. – Sharron Oke, Cathy Basaran, Nicola Taylor, Nadine Kirk, Bill Lenox

The winners were presented with a framed photographic print.

Years of Service Recognition

Chair Villemaire announced that there are staff and Board members who have reached milestones in their service with the Authority. Chair Villemaire recognized Director Hooper for his five years of service and dedication. Staff member Jessie James was recognized for his ten years of service. Both Mr. Hooper and Mr. James were presented with a framed photographic print.

Closing Remarks

Chair Villemaire thanked all for attending and announced that there would be a break in the meeting. She informed the audience that there would be some further Board business to follow and that all were welcome.

Chair Villemaire called for a break in the meeting at 4:24 p.m.

Chair Villemaire called the meeting to order at 4:40

Elections

Resolution #2/12

Moved by: Ron Hooper
Seconded by: Heather Stauble

Resolved, That, in the event of a vote by ballot, that Dave Pridham and Peter Waring be appointed as scrutineers; and,
That, all ballots be destroyed following the election.

CARRIED

Resolution #3/12

Moved by: Ron Hooper
Seconded by: Chuck Mercier

Resolved, That, Chris Appleton be appointed as Election Chair for the elections of 2012.

CARRIED

The Election Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair three times from the floor. Chuck Mercier nominated Donna Villemaire. There were no further nominations.

Resolution #4/12

Moved by: Chuck Mercier
Seconded by: Jim Chaplin

Resolved, That, the nominations for the position of Chair be closed.

CARRIED

Donna Villemaire was asked if she would stand as Chair. She accepted the nomination. Donna Villemaire was declared Chair.

The Election Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair three times from the floor. John Hancock nominated Pat Warren and Chuck Mercer nominated John Hancock. There were no further nominations.

Resolution #5/12

Moved by: Ron Hooper
Seconded by: Ted Smith

Resolved, That, the nominations for the position of Vice-Chair be closed.

CARRIED

Pat Warren had provided a letter declaring that she would stand for Vice-Chair if nominated.

John Hancock was asked if he would stand for Vice-Chair, and he accepted his nomination.

A vote was taken and John Hancock was declared Vice-Chair.

Donna Villemaire addressed the Board as the new Chair of Kawartha Conservation.

Administrative Resolutions

Resolution #6/12

Moved by: Chuck Mercier
Seconded by: John Hancock

RESOLVED, THAT, the Royal Bank (Lindsay Branch) be appointed as the bank of Kawartha Region Conservation Authority for 2012.

RESOLVED, THAT, the Kawartha Region Conservation Authority may borrow from the Royal Bank, at the bank's prime rate of interest, up to the sum of THREE HUNDRED THOUSAND (\$300,000.00) DOLLARS necessary for its purposes until payment to the Authority of any grants and sums to be paid to the Authority by the participating municipalities; and,

THAT, the normal signing officers of the Authority are hereby authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Authority a promissory note or notes for the sum to be borrowed and to affix thereto the corporate seal of the Authority; and,

THAT, the amount borrowed pursuant to this resolution together with interest thereon at the Royal Bank's prime rate of interest be a charge upon the whole of the Authority by way of grants as and when such monies are received and of sums received or to be received by the Authority from the participating municipalities as and when such monies are received; and,

THAT, the normal signing officers of the Authority are hereby authorized and directed to apply in payment of the monies borrowed pursuant to this resolution together with interest thereon at the Royal Bank's prime rate of interest, monies received by the Authority by way of grants, or sums received by the Authority from participating municipalities.

RESOLVED, THAT, for the year 2012, the firm of Hicks Morley Hamilton Stewart Storie LLP, be appointed as solicitor for human resource matters, and,

THAT, Baker & McKenzie LLP, be appointed as the solicitors for matters dealing with planning and regulations, and,

THAT, Warner & Cork, Barristers and Solicitors be appointed as solicitor for general legal matters.

CARRIED

Adjournment

Being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Resolution #7/12

Moved by: Jim Chaplin
Seconded by: Don LaCombe

Resolved, That, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

Donna Villemaire
Chair

Robert Messervey
CAO