



Minutes of Meeting # 1/09

Meeting #1/09 was held on Wednesday, January 14, 2009 at the Kawartha Conservation office. Chair O'Connor called the meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

Present: Larry O'Connor, Chair
Donna Villemaire, Vice-chair
Peter Franzen
LynnPhilip Hodgson
Ron Hooper
David Marsh
Jim McMillen
Lloyd Robertson
Alex Ruth

Staff: Wanda Stephen, Acting CAO
Mark Majchrowski, Director, Watershed Management
Dave Pridham, Manager, Environmental and Technical Services
Nancy Aspden, GIS Specialist
Iryna Shulyarenko, Hydrologist
Catherine Hennings, Corporate Services Assistant
Tamara Tucker, Stewardship Lead Technician
Jessica Mueller, Source Water Protection Technician

Adoption of Agenda

Resolution #1/09

Moved by: David Marsh

Seconded by: Alex Ruth

Resolved, That, the agenda for Meeting #1/09 be adopted as received.

CARRIED

Introductions

Chair O'Connor introduced the Board members and guests, and delivered Welcoming Remarks and an overview of business conducted by the Authority throughout 2008 such as the Lake Scugog Environmental Management Plan; the Blue Canoe program; the Victoria Land and Stewardship Council Seedling program; Well upgrades; Shoreline Naturalization; and progress on the East Cross Forest.

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

Adoption of Minutes

Resolution #2/09

Moved by: Donna Villemaire
Seconded by: Dave Marsh

Resolved, That, the minutes for Meeting #14/08 be adopted as received.

CARRIED

Recognition of Service

Chair O'Connor announced that there are staff and Board members who have reached milestones in their service with the Authority. Chair O'Connor recognized Donna Villemaire and Lynn Philip Hodgson for five years of service and provided an overview of these Directors' work with the Authority. Alex Ruth recognized Larry O'Connor for his five years of service with KRCA and thanked Chair O'Connor for his efforts. Chair O'Connor recognized staff members Nancy Aspden and Iryna Shulyarenko for five years of service and provided an overview of the work they do for the Authority. Chair O'Connor recognized Acting CAO Wanda Stephen for her 20 years of service with the Authority and provided an overview of Ms. Stephen's contributions to KRCA. Everyone was presented with a framed photographic print.

Presentation – Providing Water for People

Mr. Mark Majchrowski, Director of Watershed Management, delivered a presentation titled Providing Water for People, India's Water Challenge. This presentation provided an overview of work that Mr. Majchrowski and a group of volunteers had undertaken during a visit to India, to help educate those citizens about safe drinking water practices.

Elections

Resolution #3/09

Moved by: Ron Hooper
Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved, That, in the event of a vote by ballot, that Brian Fallis and Mark Majchrowski be appointed as scrutineers; and,
That, all ballots be destroyed following the election.

The Election Chair called for nominations for the position of Chair three time from the floor.

Jim McMillen was nominated.

Resolution #4/09

Moved by: Lloyd Robertson
Seconded by: Donna Villemaire

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

CARRIED

Jim McMillen was asked if he would stand as Chair. Positive inclination was indicated and Mr. McMillen was declared Chair.

The Election Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair three times from the floor.

Donna Villemaire was nominated.

Resolution #5/09

Moved by: David Marsh

Seconded by: Ron Hooper

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

CARRIED

Donna Villemaire was asked if she would stand as Vice-Chair. Positive inclination was indicated and Donna Villemaire was declared Vice-Chair.

Jim McMillen addressed the Board as the new Chair of KRCA.

Appointments

An appointment of representatives to the Friends of Kawartha Conservation Board of Directors was selected.

Resolution #6/09

Moved by: Larry O'Connor

Seconded by: Lloyd Robertson

Resolved, That, Jim McMillen and Donna Villemaire be appointed to represent the Board of Directors at the Friends of Kawartha Conservation for 2009.

CARRIED

An appointment of representatives at Conservation Ontario was selected.

Alex Ruth was nominated to represent Kawartha Conservation at Conservation Ontario.

Jim McMillen was nominated to represent Kawartha Conservation at Conservation Ontario.

Both Directors who were nominated chose to stand for the position. A vote took place.

Resolution #7/09

Moved by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Seconded by: Ron Hooper

Resolved, That, for 2009 Alex Ruth be appointed as representative to Conservation Ontario and the Acting CAO be appointed as alternate until such time as a CAO is attained.

CARRIED

Administrative Resolutions

Resolution #8/09

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved That, the three suggested Administrative Resolutions be broken out, and each one addressed separately.

CARRIED

Resolution #9/09

Moved by: Larry O'Connor
Seconded by: Donna Villemaire

Resolved, That, the Royal Bank (Lindsay Branch) be appointed as the bank of Kawartha Region Conservation Authority for 2009.

CARRIED

Director Marsh asked that the borrowing rate be verified with the Bank.

Resolution #10/09

Moved by: Lynn Philip Hodgson
Seconded by: Alex Ruth

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;

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;

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.

CARRIED

Resolution #11/09

Moved by: Larry O'Connor
Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved, That, the firm of Warner & Cork Barristers and Solicitors be appointed as the solicitor for Kawartha Region Conservation Authority for 2009; and,
That, the Chair and CAO (acting) be authorized to review legal services as may be required from time to time and retain additional legal counsel as warranted.

CARRIED

Director Marsh spoke against the motion and questioned how long the Authority had used the services of these solicitors and that perhaps another firm should be sought. Director Marsh asked for a review of the services.

New Business

None.

Adjournment

Resolution #12/09

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Donna Villemaire

Resolved, That, the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

The meeting adjourned at 8:03 pm.

Jim McMillen
Chair

Wanda Stephen
Acting CAO