



Minutes of Meeting # 9/08

Meeting #9/08 was held on Wednesday, May 7th, 2008 at the Kawartha Conservation office. Chair O'Connor called the meeting to order at 6:33 p.m.

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

Staff: Wanda Stephen, Acting CAO
Mark Majchrowski, Director, Watershed Management
Kristie Virgoe, Manager, Environmental Protection and Restoration
David Pridham, Manager, Environmental and Technical Services

Adoption of Agenda

Resolution #87/08

Moved by: Alex Ruth
Seconded by: Peter Franzen

Resolved, That, the agenda for Meeting #9/08 be adopted as received.

CARRIED

Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared.

Minutes of Meeting # 7/08 and # 8/08

Resolution #88/08

Moved by: Lynn Philip Hodgson
Seconded by: Jim McMillen

Resolved, that, the minutes of Meeting #7/08 and Meeting #8/08 be adopted as received.

CARRIED

Closed Session

Resolution #89/08

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Lloyd Robertson

Resolved, That, the Board of Directors enters into closed session.

CARRIED

Resolution #90/08

Moved by: Jim McMillen
Seconded by: Ron Hooper

Resolved, That, the Board of Directors rises from closed session.

CARRIED

Progress Reports, March 31, 2008

Ms. Villemaire raised questions regarding corporate services support for the Scugog Garden Show and Friends of Kawartha Conservation, as well as questions on technical program activities on low water conditions and the LSEMP Steering Committee. Staff responded to Ms. Villemaire's questions.

Resolution #91/08

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Peter Franzen

Resolved, That, the staff progress reports to March 31, 2008 be received for information.

CARRIED

Interim Financial Statement, March 31, 2008

The interim financial statement to March 31, 2008 was provided to the board. No unusual items or expenditures to March 31, 2008 were identified.

Resolution #92/08

Moved by: Donna Villemaire
Seconded by: David Marsh

Resolved, That, the interim financial statement to March 31, 2008 be received as presented.

CARRIED

Violations

Mark Majchrowski provided an overview of violations occurring in the watershed. Mr. Franzen provided additional information on the violation in the Township of Galway-Cavendish. Mr. Majchrowski identified the inability of staff to enforce and lay charges under Ontario Regulation 182/06 (Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses) under Section 28 of the Conservation Authority's Act without a Regulations Officer. Discussion took place on alternative solutions such as using municipal by-law officers, regulations officers from other conservation authorities, and having MNR enforce the regulation. The board members requested that Mr. Majchrowski prepare reports on a) alternative ways to enforce violations and b) how to rehabilitate the affected site.

Violations continued

Resolution #93/08

Moved by: Donna Villemaire
Seconded by: Peter Franzen

Resolved, That, the Section 28 violations reported as occurring between January and March 2008 be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution #94/08

Moved by: Lloyd Robertson
Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved, That, the Director, Watershed Management report on various ways to deal with KRCA violations via municipal by-law enforcement officers, MNR conservation officers with respect to Section 28 regulations.

CARRIED

Reports to the Board

Resolution #95/08

Moved by: Jim McMillen
Seconded by: Donna Villemaire

Resolved, That, the report on the Future of the Trent Severn Waterway be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution #96/08

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Lloyd Robertson

Resolved, That, KRCA does not participate in the Biennial Tour.

DEFEATED

Discussion took place on attendance at the Biennial Tour to take place in Sudbury in September, 2008. Mr. Robertson indicated that this was a unique year and fiscal constraint should be shown. Mr. Robertson also questioned if a report would come back to the board. Mr. Hodgson felt the event should be attended and requested Mr. Ruth to describe his past experience. Mr. Ruth indicated his interest in attending at a 50% cost sharing ratio.

Resolution #97/08

Moved by: Lynn Philip Hodgson
Seconded by: Alex Ruth

Resolved, That, staff proceed to register and reserve hotel accommodations for the 2008 Biennial Tour for one director and one staff prior to May 15, 2008 and that a board member attending would pay 50% of the cost.

CARRIED

Resolution #98/08

Moved by: Donna Villemaire
Seconded by: Ron Hooper

Resolved, That, the report on Human Resources be received for information.

CARRIED

Reports to the Board continued

Resolution #99/08

Moved by: Donna Villemaire

Seconded by: Jim McMillen

Resolved, That, the report on Stewardship grants be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution #100/08

Moved by: Jim McMillen

Seconded by: Alex Ruth

Resolved, That, the report on DEAC awards be received for information.

CARRIED

Resolution #101/08

Moved by: Jim McMillen

Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved, That, a letter of intent be forwarded to the Ministry of Natural Resources supporting a financial commitment to the DRAPE Ortho-photography project for 2008 as outlined, and has no adverse impact on 2008 budget.

CARRIED

2008 Preliminary Budget

Resolution #102/08

Moved by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Seconded by: Alex Ruth

Resolved, That, the 2008 preliminary budget document titled "Information for Member Municipalities on the 2008 Preliminary Budget" be circulated to the member municipalities for a 30 day review period.

CARRIED

Correspondence

Resolution #103/08

Moved by: David Marsh

Seconded by: Ron Hooper

Resolved, That, the correspondence and petition from Frank Wojcik be received and that, the Ministers of Environment both federal and provincial be copied, and Ministry critics and MP and MPP's and the City of Kawartha Lakes Mayor McGee.

CARRIED

Resolution #104/08

Moved by: David Marsh

Seconded by: Peter Franzen

Resolved, That, the correspondence from Grand River Conservation Authority be received for information and the correspondence be forwarded to our member municipalities for comment.

CARRIED

New Business

Resolution #105/08

Moved by: Jim McMillen
Seconded by: Lynn Philip Hodgson

Resolved, That, a letter to CLOCA Board requesting management support be sent.

CARRIED

Mr. Marsh raised questions with respect to the costing of labour associated with Special Benefiting Capital Projects and requested clarification and a review of costing in the future.

Resolution #106/08

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Donna Villemaire

Resolved, That, in preparation for the 2009 budget, staff be requested to report on actual costs to Special Benefiting Projects.

CARRIED

Resolution #107/08

Moved by: David Marsh
Seconded by: Lloyd Robertson

Resolved, That, Fleetwood Creek be re-evaluated and that a minimum fee of \$20,000 be considered for the 2009 budget.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Larry O'Connor
Chair

Wanda Stephen
Acting CAO