Maitland Valley Conservation Authority

Minutes

Working for a Healthy Environment!

Board of Directors Meeting #9/16

October 19, 2016

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Art Versteeg, Jim Campbell, Deb Shewfelt, Alison Lobb, Alvin

McLellan, Wilf Gamble, David Turton, Roger Watt,

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

Bob Burtenshaw

ABSENT:

Paul Gowing, Matt Duncan

STAFF PRESENT:

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

Danielle Livingston, Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator

Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Coordinator

Brandi Walter, Environmental Planner/Regulations Officer

COMMUNITY ATTENDEES:

Morten, Helene and Lasse Jakobsen

1. Call to Order

Chair Art Versteeg welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm noting there is a hearing in tonight's business.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interests

There were no pecuniary interests at this time.

3. Hearing: Ontario Regulation 164/06: Hearing Report #2/16 (attached)

Motion FA #73/16

Moved by: Alvin McLellan

Seconded by: Deb Shewfelt

THAT the Board of Directors sit as a Hearing Board.

(carried)



The following motion was passed in session at the Board Hearing Meeting #2/16.

Motion HM #5/16

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Roger Watt

THAT the Hearing Board now sits as Executive Committee.

(carried)

4. <u>Minutes - Approval of Minutes of Board of Directors Meeting #8/16 held on September 21, 2016 (attached)</u>

The minutes from the Board of Director's meeting #8/16 held on September 21, 2016 have been circulated to the Director's for their information and approval.

This motion followed.

Motion FA #75/16

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

Seconded by: Alvin McLellan

THAT the minutes from the Board of Director's meeting #8/16 held on September 21, 2016 be approved.

(carried)

5. Business Requiring Direction/Decision:

a) 2017-2019 Work Plan and Financial Forecast: Report #51A/B/16 (attached)

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer began the presentation of these reports by reviewing the MVCA three key priorities:

- Strengthen Flood/Erosion Safety Services
- Strengthen Watershed Stewardship Services
- Stabilize MVCA financial base

The General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer highlighted the major focus and activities for each service area as outlined in Report #51A.

Under the Corporate Work Plan, the Board discussed the possibility of developing an additional report to be sent to member municipalities along with the minutes. The Board asked staff to look at the approach used by the ABCA regarding the circulation of their GM's report with the Board minutes. The following motion was made.

Motion FA #76/16

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Wilf Gamble

THAT staff bring a report on the approach used by ABCA to the November 16, 2016 Board meeting.

(carried)

The General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer reviewed #51B/16, the 2017-2019 financial forecast with the Board. The forecast shows that MVCA should be in a position to stabilize its operating budget by 2018 and its capital budget by 2019. However there are still several outstanding matters that could affect both operating and capital over the next three years. The GM/ST requested direction on whether the 2017 financial forecast and work plan could be used as a starting point for developing the 2017 draft Budget and work plan.

The Board discussed the format used to outline the 2017-2019 work plan. The Board requested that staff try and summarize the work plan for all three years on the same table so that it would be easier to understand the activities that will be undertaken each year and how one year builds on the next. The following motion was made.

Motion FA #77/16

Moved by: Roger Watt

THAT staff change the format of the workplan so that all 3 years are summarized on one table for each service area.

(carried)

Chair Art Versteeg congratulated Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer and staff on an excellent report and the following motion was made.

Motion FA #78/16

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: David Turton

Seconded by: Wilf Gamble

THAT the 2017-2019 work plan and financial forecast be approved; AND THAT the 2017 draft budget and work plan be developed based upon the financial forecast for 2017; AND FURTHER THAT the 2017 draft budget for Authority funded projects be presented at the November 16, 2016 Board meeting for review and direction; AND FURTHER THAT the 2017 budget and work plan be presented to the Board of Directors at the December 21, 2016 Board meeting for review and direction.

(carried)

b) Structural Assessment: Logan's Mill, Brussels: Report #52/16 (attached)

Conservation Areas Coordinator Stewart Lockie presented Report #52/16 regarding the results of the structural assessment for Logans Mill in Brussels. The Conservation Areas Coordinator identified that the structural engineer has identified that repairs are required to the wall on the mill and that these repairs need to be undertaken this fall. Mr. Lockie advised that the Community Group looking into the potential for refurbishing the mill are interested in assisting with the cost of the repair work, however

they have not had an opportunity to meet and discuss the matter formally as yet. The Board decided that it was important to act on the engineer's recommendation; therefore the following motion was made.

Motion FA #79/16

Moved by: Roger Watt

THAT MVCA proceed with completing the repair outlined in item 1. of Report #52/16; AND THAT MVCA covers the cost of the repair if the Maitland Mills Project Steering Committee isn't able to.

(carried)

Seconded by: David Turton

6. Reports:

a) Chair's Report:

Chair Art Versteeg attended Conservation Ontario Council on September 26, 2016. Art advised that the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry attended the meeting and advised that she was committed to completing the review of the Conservation Authorities Act. Art further advised that the timeline for completing the review will be lengthy and it is unknown as to whether the MNRF will be able to complete this review before the end of their current mandate.

Last week Art attended the public launch of MVCA's Carbon Footprint Initiative with Director Deb Shewfelt and GM/ST, Phil Beard. Molesworth Farm Supply gave a generous donation to MVCA for tree planting as part of their carbon footprint strategy. Follow up items will be brought to the Board from the CFI committee from Phil. Art commended Phil and Deb for bringing this 4 year effort to fruition.

Art spoke with Ben Van Deipenbeek recently and explained that MVCA is hopeful that HCW will eventually develop a 3 year budget. Art advised that the Chair of the Huron Clean Water Review Committee will be requesting \$400,000.00 for the 2017 funding at the November meeting of Huron County Council.

b) Directors' Reports:

Director David Turton reported that the 2016 IPM event was a success with an attendance of approximately 100,000.

7. Consent Agenda

The following items were circulated to the Board of Directors for their information.

- i) Conservation Ontario Council Report: Report #53/16 (attached)
- ii) Revenue and Expenditures for September: Report #54/16 (attached)

This motion followed.

Motion FA #80/16

Moved by: Alvin McLellan

Seconded by: Jim Campbell

THAT Report #53 through 54/16 and the recommended motions and correspondence as outlined in the Consent Agenda be accepted as presented.

(carried)

8. Review of Meeting Objectives/Follow-up Actions/Next meeting

Chair Art Versteeg declared the meeting objectives were met and that a hearing had been held. The next meeting is being held at the Admin Centre in Wroxeter on November 16, 2016.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:58 pm with this motion.

Motion FA #79/15

Moved by: Roger Watt

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

Seconded by: Wilf Gamble

carried)

Art Versteeg

Chair

Danielle Livingston

Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator

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