

Board of Directors Meeting #6/17

June 21, 2017

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

Jim Campbell, David Turton, Deb Shewfelt, Art Versteeg, Alison Lobb, Roger Watt, Matt Duncan, Paul Gowing, Bob Burtenshaw, David Blaney

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

Wilf Gamble

STAFF PRESENT:

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Danielle Livingston, Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator
Geoff King, Stewardship Services Coordinator
Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator
Stephen Jackson, Flood/Erosion Safety Coordinator

COMMUNITY ATTENDEES:

Bryan Gilvesy, CEO, ALUS Canada
Cliff Evanitski, GM, Long Point Region Conservation Authority

1. Call to Order

Chair Jim Campbell called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no pecuniary interests at this time.

3. Minutes

The minutes from the Board of Directors meeting #5/17 held on May 17, 2017 have been circulated to the Directors for their information and approval. The Directors agreed with the minutes and the following motion was made.



Motion FA #50/17

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

THAT the minutes from the Board of Directors meeting #5/17 held on May 17, 2017 be approved.

(carried)

4. Presentations

- a) Bryan Gilvesy, CEO, Alus Canada

At the March 15, 2017 meeting the Board passed this motion.

THAT a follow up letter be written to ALUS expressing MVCA's concerns; **AND THAT** Mr. Gilvesy, Chair of ALUS be invited to attend a MVCA Board of Directors meeting to address the concerns.

Following receipt of Chair Jim Campbell's letter sent on March 21, 2017, Mr. Gilvesy accepted the invitation to attend tonight's meeting.

Mr. Gilvesy addressed the Board and outlined the ALUS program background, projects undertaken future goals, and the relationship with its community partners. Following his presentation, Mr. Gilvesy introduced GM Cliff Evanitski, from the Long Point Region Conservation Authority to provide an overview of Long Point's experience working with the ALUS program and then invited questions from the Director's.

After gaining further understanding of the program, this motion was made.

Motion FA #51/17

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

Seconded by: David Blaney

THAT the ALUS program be tabled for further discussion and added to the September meeting agenda.

(carried)

- b) 2017 Work Plan Update: **Report #34/17**

Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator presented this report to outline the progress made on the activities and projects in each of the service areas 2017 work plan.

The Director's commented that the report was well done.

5. Business Requiring Direction

- a) Proposed Revisions to Regulation Policies: **Report #35/17**

This report was presented to outline the proposed changes to MVCAs regulation policies that were removed by the Board in 2016 in compliance with the Divisional Court's ruling. Steve advised that the

Court of Appeal has overturned the Divisional Court's decision and that the policies related to public safety may now be reinstated.

Flood and Erosion Safety Coordinator Steve Jackson reviewed the proposed revisions with the Board. The Board agreed with the reinstatement of the public safety policies therefore the following motion was made.

Motion FA #52/17

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Dave Turton

THAT the Board approves the MVCA'S Regulation Policies recommended for reinstatement subsequent to the Court of appeal ruling.

(carried)

Motion FA #53/17

Moved by: David Blaney

Seconded by: Art Versteeg

THAT THAT the Board approves the two additional shoreline polices recommended for adoption.

(carried)

b) Conserving Our Future: A Modernized Conservation Authorities Act: Report #36/17

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer provided an overview of the Province's proposed changes to the Conservation Authorities Act and partnership as outlined in Bill 139 and the report "Conserving Our Future: A Modernized Conservation Authorities Act.

Phil asked the Board if they had any comments/questions regarding the proposed changes that they would like to have addressed at the June 26th Conservation Ontario meeting. The Director's provided this feedback.

- Communicate that MVCA supports the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing as well as the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry in their endeavours with changes to the act.
- Suggest that more rural support to enhanced funding is needed.
- Express MVCA's gratitude to Conservation Ontario for moving our requests for changes to delegates along.

c) Proposed Follow up Actions: Board Governance Review: Report #37/17

Phil Beard presented this report to gain further direction from the Board following the internal governance review and survey that took place in May.

The Director's discussed the two items that were identified for follow up further and made this motion.

Motion FA #54/17

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

Seconded by: Dave Turton

THAT staff develop a succession policy for the General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer to be reviewed by the personnel policy committee and then presented to the Board at the October meeting.

(carried)

d) In Camera Session: Legal Matter

All attendees except the Board Members, the GM/ST, the Flood and Safety Coordinator and the Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator were excused from the meeting at this time.

Motion FA #55/17

Moved by: Paul Gowing

Seconded by: Bob Burtenshaw

THAT the Board of Directors move in camera for a legal matter.

(carried)

Motion FA #56/17 to resume regular session was made in-camera

(carried)

6. Reports

a) Chair's Report

There were no reports from Chair Jim Campbell at this time.

b) Director's Committee and Municipal Reports

Director Deb Shewfelt attended the WPSC meeting on June 16, 2017 and toured in the ABCA watershed. While in the Bayfield area, some of the same problems were apparent there as in MVCA. Cottagers see the effects of flooding from farmlands and there aren't consistent practices of stormwater management.

Director Art Versteeg added that it was a good tour and that the County deals with natural heritage issues and erosion along the lakeshore is a concern.

Director Paul Gowing took this opportunity to comment to staff about the conditions of the Morris Tract Conservation Area on Cardiff Road. Conservation Areas staff will follow up with Paul.

7. Consent Agenda

- a) 2017 Budget Update **Report #38/17**
- b) Revenue/Expenditure Report for May: **Report #39/17**
- c) Agreement Signed: **Report #40/17**
- d) Correspondence Received for Information:

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

The following motion was made.

Motion FA #57/17

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Matt Duncan

THAT reports #38/17 through #40/17 along with their respective 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 Jim Campbell reviewed the meeting objectives and reminded the Directors that the August meeting will be a tour of the Garvey Glenn Watershed Restoration Project.

Jim advised that he decided to postpone the tour to Wawanosh due to the amount of business to be discussed at tonight's meeting and asked the Board to set a date for touring the Wawanosh Nature Centre Facility. It was decided to hold this tour on July 19, 2017.

The Director's discussed changing the August and September meetings due to conflicts. August 23, 2017 and September 27, 2017 are the postponed dates of these two meetings.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:12 pm with this motion.

Motion FA #58/17

Moved by: Paul Gowing

Seconded by: Art Versteeg

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

(carried)


Jim Campbell
Chair


Danielle Livingston
Administrative/Financial
Services Coordinator

