

CROWE VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

FULL AUTHORITY

20 June 2019

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Suzanne Partridge	Municipality of Highlands East
Jim O'Shea	North Kawartha
Catherine Redden	Municipality of Trent Hills
Jim Martin	Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Townships
Jan MacKillican	Limerick Township
Dan Bujas	Faraday Township
Jan O'Neill	Municipality of Marmora and Lake
Tim Conlin	Wollaston Township
Ronald Carroll	Tudor & Cashel Township

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Edgar Storms	Stirling-Rawdon Township
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ALSO PRESENT:

Tim Pidduck, General Manager/Secretary Treasurer, CVCA
Amanda Donald, Recording Secretary, CVCA
Roddy Bolivar, Bolivar Philips Water Resources Specialists
Jack Lakey, Delegation
Cathy Trimble, North Hasting Trail Board

CALL TO ORDER:

The Chair, Catherine Redden, called the meeting to order at 10:00am.

WELCOME:

The Chair, Catherine Redden, welcomed the Board to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

FA Motion G 47/19

Moved by: Dan Bujas

Seconded by: Jan O'Neill

That the agenda be approved as circulated.

Carried.

DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST:

There were no conflicts declared.

REVIEW OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING:

FA Motion G 48/19

Moved by: Suzanne Partridge

Seconded by: Tim Conlin

That the minutes and motions of the Full Authority meeting, 16 May 2019, be approved as circulated.

Carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

None.

CORRESPONDENCE

None.

MOTION TO MOVE IN CAMERA

Catherine Redden informed the Board the In Camera session is required to discuss the possibility of two potential legal issues for CVCA. The first will be regarding a Freedom of Information (FOI) request on Cillica Road and the second will be concerning the potential litigation issues regarding the Allan Mills Safety Booms and to receive legal advice regarding this matter. Catherine informed the Board, agenda item 10 – Allan Mills Dam report will be discussed during the in camera session.

FA Motion G 49/19

Moved by: Jan MacKillican

Seconded by: Dan Bujas

That the Full Authority Board move into an In Camera session to discuss the potential legal issues.

Carried.

FA Motion G 50/19

Moved by: Jim O'Shea

Seconded by: Jim Martin

That the Full Authority Board move into open session.

Carried.

FA Motion G 51/19

Moved by: Jan O'Neill

Seconded by: Dan Bujas

That the General Manager follow through with the recommendations discussed during the In Camera Session on 20 June 2019.

Carried.

FA Motion G 52/19

Moved by: Jan MacKillican

Seconded by: Suzanne Partridge

That staff be directed to engage legal counsel regarding the recent appeal to the Information and Privacy Commissioner.

Carried.

DELEGATION – JACK LAKEY

Catherine Redden welcomed Mr. Lakey and other guests to the meeting. She informed the Board that Mr. Lakey was there to address the Board for the second time regarding the safety booms installed at the Allan Mills Dam. She reminded those present that Mr. Lakey had been informed at the May meeting of the process for dealing with his requests. She noted that this was the first time that the Board had met since his delegation and that due to his threats of legal action the Board's discussions regarding this matter would be held in camera, legal counsel had been sought and the staff report and accompanying documentation would not be made public at this time.

Following Mr. Lakey's presentation, and some questions from some of the individuals who accompanied him, they were informed that the Board would be providing a response to them within the next few days.

The Board took a break at 11:20am.

Catherine Redden called the meeting back to order at 11:25am.

ASSET MANAGEMENT PRESENTATION – RODDY BOLIVAR

Tim Pidduck introduced Roddy Bolivar of Bolivar Philips Water Resources, and John Price of Mississippi Region Conservation Authority (MRCA) to the Board.

John Price informed the Board MRCA started the asset management planning due to the fact of the number of dams they operate and own in their watershed. An asset management plan will not produce money for future use, but it will help create a plan for the future of these structures and assets. The asset management course for the Eastern Conservation Authorities has been partly funded by Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) and there have been two sessions held thus far.

Roddy Bolivar gave a presentation to the Board. The presentation outlined asset management and associated costs with creating a plan and how it relates to municipal connection. Roddy gave a brief overview of the two sessions held and informed the Board the next steps the group will undertake in the coming months.

Tim Pidduck thanked Roddy and John for the presentation. He informed the Board asset management planning is a huge undertaking and CVCA has a good start by recently committing to the asset replacement program presented last year during budget deliberations. Tim reminded the Board there is still lots to be done in creating an asset management plan for the CVCA. The process will

include the Board, staff and all aspects of the CVCA's operations/departments. The plan development will be a lengthy undertaking.

NORTH HASTINGS TRAIL BOARD – CATHY TRIMBLE

Catherine Redden introduced Cathy Trimble from North Hastings Trail Board to the Board.

Cathy Trimble informed the Board the North Hastings Trail Board is trying to increase the number of trails throughout Hastings County with emphasis on North Hastings. She informed the Board a Trillium grant has been received and a portion of the grant will be used for upgrades to McGeachie trails. Request for Proposals (RFP) have been sent out for trail development and the next step is to review the submissions. The improvements planned for McGeachie trails include permanent bathrooms, new trail head signage, improved trail signage and mapping.

There was some discussion on the projects that would be completed at McGeachie and who would maintain the improvements once they are complete. Cathy Trimble suggested it could be a combined effort between a volunteer group, CVCA staff or even municipal partners.

Tim Pidduck will keep the Board informed on progress as the North Hastings Trail Board meets to discuss the project.

BUDGET TO ACTUALS REPORT

Tim Pidduck informed the Board the report is provided for information for the Board. At this point for the year CVCA is on track when comparing to the 2019 budget.

FA Motion G 53/19

Moved by: Dan Bujas

Seconded by: Jan O'Neill

To receive the budget to actuals report as circulated.

Carried

REGULATIONS & PLANNING REPORTS

Tim Pidduck reviewed the planning and regulations reports with the Board. The Board asked some questions about the non-compliance files.

FA Motion G 54/19

Moved by: Jim O'Shea

Seconded by: Jan O'Neill

To receive the regulation and planning report as circulated.

Carried.

BOARD ORIENTATION – REGULATIONS VIOLATIONS & NON-COMPLIANCE

Removed from agenda due to absence of Robert Cole.

GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

Tim Pidduck informed the Board water levels are still high in some areas throughout the watershed. Water levels and flows tend to take a while before levelling off for the summer months.

There was some discussion on Crowe Bridge Conservation Area and on the importance of wetlands for flood storage.

FA Motion G 55/19

Moved by: Dan Bujas

Seconded by: Jan O'Neill

To receive the General Manager's Report

Carried.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Catherine Redden would like the Executive committee to review CVCA's website for information that can be published on the website for watershed residents.

FA Motion G 56/19

Moved by: Jim O'Shea

Seconded by: Jan MacKillican

To direct the Executive Committee review CVCA's website.

Carried.

There was some discussion on replying to Mr. Lakey regarding the decision about the location of the safety boom anchor at Allan Mills dam.

MEDIA SESSION

None.

NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING:

The next scheduled meeting of the Full Authority Board will be 19 September 2019 at 10:00am.

ADJOURNMENT:

FA Motion G 57/19

Moved by: Dan Bujas

That the Full Authority Board Meeting be adjourned at 12:35pm.

Carried.

Amanda Donald
Recording Secretary

Catherine Redden
Chair