# CROWE VALLEY WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD HEARING Virtual Meeting via Google Meet 18 May 2023

#### **MINUTES**

## **MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Dave Burton Municipality of Highlands East Michael Metcalf Municipality of Trent Hills

Jim Martin Havelock-Belmont-Methuen Townships

Jan O'Neill Municipality of Marmora and Lake

Colin McLellan Township of North Kawartha
John O'Donnell Municipality of Faraday
Dean Graff Stirling-Rawdon Township

Wellesten Township

Paul Ordanis Wollaston Township

#### **MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Jerry Chadwick Tudor & Cashel Township

Kim Carson Limerick Township

#### ALSO PRESENT:

Tim Pidduck, General Manager/Secretary Treasurer, CVCA Amanda Donald, Recording Secretary, CVCA Beth Lowe, Regulations Officer, CVCA Kevin Duguay, Kevin M. Duguay Community Planning and Consulting Inc

#### CALLTO ORDER

The Chair, Jim Martin, called the meeting to order at 10:17am.

#### LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Jim Martin read a land acknowledgement thanking generations of Indigenous people who have taken care of the land for thousands of years before us.

## APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#### FA Motion H 01/23

Moved by: Dean Graff

Seconded by: John O'Donnell

To approve the Watershed Advisory Hearing agenda as circulated.

Carried.

#### WELCOME

Jim Martin welcomed the Board, staff, applicants and members of the public to the Watershed Advisory Hearing.

#### **CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS**

The Chair, Jim Martin, informed the Watershed Advisory Hearing Board that a Hearing under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* will now be held with respect to Mr. Damian Grieve & Ms. Ashley Verduyn's application for permission to reconstruct a dwelling within the floodplain of Chandos Lake.

Chair Jim Martin gave the opening remarks as outlined in the hearing guidelines with respect to Ontario Regulation 159/06 and reviewed the procedure of the Hearing.

## **CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

None Declared.

#### STAFF REPORT – BETH LOWE

Beth Lowe gave the Board a presentation outlining the location of the property, the proposed project and the policy the proposed development does not conform to in Ontario Regulation 159/06. She gave a background and timeline for the permit including the associated planning file.

The CVCA policy states the dwelling in the hazard will not be larger than 50% of the original up to a maximum of 500 ft<sup>2</sup> whichever is less. The proposed dwelling is larger than what Watershed Planning and Regulations Policies allow and could have an impact on the control of flooding. Therefore, the staff recommendation is to deny the application as it exceeds the policy by 531ft<sup>2</sup>.

#### APPLICANT REPORT - KEVIN DUGUAY

Mr. Kevin Duguay introduced himself to the Board. Mr. Duguay expressed his concern over the lack of current mapping being unavailable to the public and difficulties he has experienced obtaining relevant current information. Mr. Duguay informed the Board the application presented is representative of good planning and it would not impact adjacent properties. He informed the Board the applicant considered moving the proposed dwelling further back on the property however, that would mean many mature trees would need to be removed from the property. Mr. Duguay reviewed the proposed dwelling explaining a loft is included in the design. Mr. Duguay feels the difference between the proposed dwelling and the current dwelling is 140ft<sup>2</sup>. Mr. Duguay informed the Board if the application is not approved, then the applicants intend to appeal the decision to the Ontario Land Tribunal.

Mr. Duguay thanked the Board for their time.

## **BOARD DELIBERATIONS**

There was some discussion on potentially moving the building outside the floodplain. Mr. Duguay stated in order to relocate a Zoning Bylaw Amendment would need to be obtained and there may be issues around a nearby wetland feature as well as with road set backs and many mature trees would need to be removed.

The Board asked what the total ground level footprint of the dwelling would be. Beth Lowe confirmed the ground floor would be 1,263ft² and the maximum allowed habitable space according the policy manual is 1,260ft². There was some discussion on if the second story of the dwelling should be included in the total habitable space square footage. Beth informed the Board the intent of the policy is to limit the number of people within the floodplain at one time as well as limiting the investment impact of a flood.

## FA Motion H 02/23

Moved by: John O'Donnell Seconded by: Dean Graff

To approve permit 273/22 for Mr. Damien Grieve & Ms. Ashley Verduyn as presented.

Carried.

#### ADJOURNMENT

#### Motion H 03/23

Moved by: Michael Metcalf Seconded by: Colin McLellan

That the Watershed & Advisory Board Hearing Meeting be adjourned at 11:02am.

Carried.		
Amanda Donald	 Jim Martin	

