



Proposed 2026 Fee Policy Approval

Prepared For: CVCA Board of Directors

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Agenda Item #14

CVCA Fee Policy - Annual Review

As per the CVCA Fee Policy adopted on the 7th of December 2022 and in accordance with Section 21.2 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, the CVCA shall review its fees in conjunction with the annual budgeting process the proposed fee policy is being presented for the Board's consideration.

Proposed Fee Changes

- 1) CVCA staff have reviewed the fees and determined an overall increase for the 2026 Regulation and Planning Fees is **not** recommended since there is still a freeze on fees imposed by the Provincial Government. There were some amendments to the wording in some of the Regulations fee schedule to help simplify the fee schedule. These items are highlighted on the proposed fee schedule in the draft fee policy for the Board's convenience.
- 2) Staff have reviewed the McGeachie cottage rental rates and are recommending an increase of 2% for 2026 for inflation. Cottage rates did not increase for 2025 so, a slight increase is proposed to take inflation of CVCA expenses into account for the 2026 cottage rental season.
- 3) Staff have reviewed the hunting lease rates and are recommending an increase of 2% for 2026. Hunting Lease rates were not increase in the 2025 budget.

Once approved, the revised Policy and/or Fee Schedules will be published on CVCA's website.

The Fee Policy can be found on the CVCA website. It is also provided in the Agenda package for the Board members convenience.

Staff Recommendations

- 1. That the 2026 fee schedule be approved as presented.***
- 2. That the Regulation and Planning Fee Schedules be approved and implemented 1 January 2026.***
- 3. That the Hunting Lease and Cottage Rental rates be increased by 2% for 2026 as proposed in the fee schedule and implemented 1 January 2026.***

Board Decision