

## BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, March 17, 2016

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom  
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

### DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Doug Cook, Dave Frayne, Wayne Hall, Bob Harvey, George Irvin, Burkhard Metzger

### DIRECTORS ABSENT

Don Shipway, Mike Tam

### STAFF PRESENT

Bev Brown, Geoff Cade, Brian Horner, Kate Monk, Judith Parker, Alec Scott, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Mari Veliz

### OTHERS PRESENT

Jeremy Giles, MacNeill Edmundson Professional Corporation  
Bob Montgomery, CKNX Radio  
Adam Skillen, Skillen Investment Management

### CALL TO ORDER

Vice-Chair Burkhard Metzger called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

### ADOPTION OF AGENDA

#### **MOTION #BD 16/16**

**Moved by Dave Frayne  
Seconded by Ray Chartrand**

**“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the March 17, 2016 Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting be approved.”**

**Carried.**

### DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest at this meeting or from the previous meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO RECORD PROCEEDINGS

None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

**MOTION #BD 17/16**

**Moved Wayne Hall  
Seconded by Doug Cook**

**“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors Annual Meeting held on February 18, 2016 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”**

**Carried.**

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTESAppointment to Joint Management Committee

General Manager Brian Horner advised that, as a result of the elections at the February Annual Meeting, an amendment is required to membership on the Joint Management Committee as Burkhard Metzger was the alternate and now sits as Vice Chair.

**MOTION #BD 18/16**

**Moved by Doug Cook  
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

**“RESOLVED, THAT George Irvin be appointed as alternate on the Joint Management Committee.”**

**Carried.**

PRESENTATION

Adam Skillen of Skillen Investment Management attended the meeting to give the directors an update on the investment portfolio. The original proposal was to establish a portfolio that included 20% equity and 80% bonds. In September 2015, the Board agreed to shift the diversity of the portfolio to 25% equity and 75% bonds. Overall the rate of return has been 3.67 % since the investment portfolio was started. Future considerations for the Board to discuss are moving to 30% equity and 70% bonds, as well as incorporating common share holdings into the portfolio.

**MOTION #BD 19/16**

**Moved by Doug Cook  
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

**“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors discuss amending the investment ratio to a portfolio of 30% equity and 70% bonds.**

**Defeated.**

**MOTION #BD 20/16**

**Moved by George Irvin  
Seconded by Ray Chartrand**

**“RESOLVED, THAT amending the portfolio investment ratio be discussed with at the Board of Directors meeting in November, and include time to talk with the portfolio manager about common share holdings.**

**Carried.**

PROGRAM REPORT1 (a) Development Review

Geoff Cade presented on behalf of Andrew Bicknell, Regulations Coordinator, the Development Review report pursuant to *Ontario Regulation 147/06 Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses*. Through the application process, proposed developments within regulated areas are protected from flooding and erosion hazards. Staff granted permission for 6 *Applications for Permission* and 2 *Minor Works Permits* to construct works within regulated areas.

(b) Violation/Appeals Update

Geoff Cade, Supervisor of Water and Planning provided an update on violations and appeals.

- (i) regarding the structure built on the beach below the top of bank in the Municipality of Bluewater, the landowner has been issued a violation.
- (ii) staff are awaiting plans from the landowner in Port Franks who contravened the conditions of a permit and must return a renovated basement back to storage area.
- (iii) the Mining & Lands Commissioner will be convening a teleconference in April, as the next step in the appeal by the four landowners in Poplar Beach subdivision who attended a Hearing before the Board in November 2015.

2. Audited 2015 Financial Statement

Brian Horner introduced Jeremy Giles CA with MacNeill Edmundson Professional Corporation. The 2015 audited financial statement was presented for the Board’s review.

**MOTION #BD 21/16**

**Moved by Ray Chartrand  
Seconded by Doug Cook**

**“RESOLVED, THAT the audited 2015 Financial Statement be approved as presented.”**

**Carried.**

3. Vehicle Tender Results

Kate Monk, Stewardship, Land and Education Manager presented the results of the vehicle tender to replace the passenger van. Seven quotes were received and staff selected the low price from Exeter Chrysler Limited for a Dodge Grand Caravan.

## PRESENTATION

Geoff Cade reported on the Shoreline Management Plan Update project. The Steering Committee will be meeting in May when the technical information is received from the consultant. In regards to the public engagement strategy, the on-line survey results are now completed. There will be public meetings held during the summer when more lakeshore cottage owners are available. The technical team is taking the historical shoreline photos of 1973 and laying over the 2007 photography to estimate on average, how much it has changed at 50 foot intervals. The consultants are looking at anomalies and hoping to have information for the next Steering Committee meeting. Another consideration in developing the updated Shoreline Management Plan, is climate change and the fluctuations in lake levels. A major concern is how the shoreline will be impacted with more erosion when there is no ice cover on the lakes. The erosion hazard limit is calculated on a 3:1 slope from the toe of the bank. Structures located at the top of the bank within the unstable slope area are a concern for the technical team. In response to a question on shoreline protection, it was noted that a break wall may protect the toe of the bank, but the top of the bank will still erode.

Wayne Hall left the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

## GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Brian Horner presented the General Manager's report. Highlights were given on the progress of various projects, staff training and development, upcoming meetings and activities held over the previous month. This report is distributed to the municipalities for their councillors' information.

## CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Reference: 2016 Budget and Levy  
File: F.6  
Brief: Resolution from the Municipality of Huron East acknowledging their 2016 levy amount as approved in the budget.
- b) Reference: Thank you  
File: A.5.1  
Brief: Thank you to Ross Wilson, ABCA Water & Stewardship Technologist from Dave Kemp on behalf of the Mitchell and District Agriculture Society. Ross had provided a soil conservation demonstration at the event that attracted 100 participants.
- c) Reference: Healthy Kids Community Challenge  
File: F.22.2  
Brief: Notice that the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority was successful in receiving a grant through the Healthy Kids Community Challenge for outdoor education programming and a storybook trail project.

