

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, November 8, 2018

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Doug Cook, Dave Frayne, Jim Ginn, Wayne Hall, Bob Harvey, George Irvin, Brian Ropp, Mike Tam

STAFF PRESENT

Bev Brown, Geoff Cade, Brian Horner, Ian Jean, Daniel King, Kate Monk, Judith Parker, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Mari Veliz

OTHER PRESENT

Sue Haskett - Bluewater Shoreline Residents' Association
Adam Skillen - Skillen Investment Management

CALL TO ORDER

Chair George Irvin called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #BD 96 /18

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

“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the November 8, 2018 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 97/18****Moved by Doug Cook
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on October 18, 2018 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

PRESENTATION

Adam Skillen of Skillen Investment Management attended the meeting to give an update on the performance of the investment income portfolio which is 65% bonds and 35% equities (including common shares). There has been success in the cumulative returns over the four years and it is recommended that there be no further changes at this time. The directors concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Skillen was thanked and he left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTESShoreline Management Plan Update

Geoff Cade, Water & Planning Manager advised the Draft Shoreline Management Plan was received from the consultant, W.F. Baird & Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd. and is being reviewed by staff. The directors will have the report to review on November 13 for discussion at the Board of Directors Special Meeting on November 22, 2018 at 10 a.m.

Revisions to Proposed 2019 Budget

Brian Horner, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer provided revisions to the proposed 2019 budget that resulted in a 2.12% increase to the combined project and general levies. By utilizing reserves, reductions were made to the Land Securement Plan project and the parking lot and furnace upgrades at the Admin Centre.

MOTION #BD 98/18**Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Jim Ginn**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2019 pay grid at a 2% increase.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 99/18**Moved by Mike Tam
Seconded by Doug Cook**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2019 fee schedule as presented.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 100/18

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

“RESOLVED, THAT the member municipalities be advised of the 2019 proposed project levy, general levy and budget and provided with the supplementary information for the 30 day review, as the weighted vote by apportionment is intended to be held at the December 20, 2018 Board of Directors meeting.”

Carried.

PROGRAM REPORTS**1. (a) Development Review**

Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Planning & Regulations Officer, presented 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 14 *Applications for Permission* and 2 *Minor Works Permits*.

1. (b) Violation/Appeals Update

Staff reported there were no updates.

MOTION #BD 101/18

**Moved by Bob Harvey
Seconded by Jim Ginn**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors affirm the approval of applications as presented in Program Report #1 - Development Review.”

Carried.

2. Habitat Stewardship Program Funding

Ian Jean, Forestry and Stewardship Specialist presented six stewardship projects in the municipalities of North Middlesex and South Huron that met the eligibility requirements for Habitat Stewardship Program funding.

MOTION #BD 102/18

**Moved by Brian Ropp
Seconded by Wayne Hall**

“RESOLVED, THAT project numbers AB-2622, AB-2601, AB-2602, AB-2606, AB-2607, AB-2608 be approved for funding as recommended.”

Carried.

3. Healthy Lake Huron Project Funding Support

Mari Veliz, Healthy Watersheds Manager advised that the Healthy Lake Huron project is made up of a partnership of federal, provincial and municipal stakeholders as well as health units, industry, resident, agricultural organizations and four conservation authorities along the near shore of Lake Huron. The collaborative is seeking continued financial support that has resulted in millions of dollars of projects to protect and improve water quality issues in Lake Huron. A draft letter addressed to Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks was circulated for endorsement.

MOTION #BD 103/18

Moved by Jim Ginn

Seconded by Brian Ropp

"RESOLVED, THAT the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) Board of Directors support the request on behalf of the Healthy Lake Huron Partnership, to protect Lake Huron's southeast shore, and

FURTHER, THAT the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks continue funding, in the amount of \$360,000 per year, in support of the Canada-Ontario Agreement (COA) on Great Lakes Water Quality and Ecosystem Health, and

FURTHER, THAT in order to facilitate the Healthy Lake Huron collaborative partnership work that implements long-term water quality monitoring, storm water management project implementation and evaluation, education and outreach to the benefit of Lake Huron and all the people who rely upon it."

Carried.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Brian Horner provided a written report with a brief update on the progress of various projects, staff training and development, upcoming meetings or events and general activities over the previous month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION #BD 104/18

Moved by Ray Chartrand

Seconded by Wayne Hall

"RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Pedestrian Bridge Community Working Group meeting held November 1, 2018 and the motions therein be approved as circulated."

Carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Reference: Thank you
File: A.5.1
Brief: Note of appreciation from Jennifer Cade for the expression of sympathy in memory of her father.
- b) Reference: Certificate of Recognition
File: A.5.1
Brief: A certificate was received from the Huron County Health Unit in recognition of the partnership in creating and promoting the Storytime Trail that begins in Exeter at McNaughton Park on the South Huron Trail.

NEW BUSINESS

None

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE**MOTION #BD 105/18**

**Moved by Jim Ginn
Seconded by Wayne Hall**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors go into Committee of the Whole at 11:17 a.m. to discuss three property matters with Brian Horner, Kate Monk and Judith Parker remaining in attendance.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 106/18

**Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Jim Ginn**

“RESOLVED, THAT Committee of the Whole rise and report at 11:35 a.m.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 107/18

**Moved by Jim Ginn
Seconded by Mike Tam**

“RESOLVED, THAT staff proceed with the property matters as presented and discussed.”

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

George Irvin
Chair

Judith Parker
Corporate Services Coordinator