

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, April 21, 2016

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Doug Cook, Dave Frayne, Bob Harvey, George Irvin, Don Shipway, Mike Tam

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Wayne Hall, Burkhard Metzger

STAFF PRESENT

Andrew Bicknell, Geoff Cade, Brian Horner, Tracey McPherson, Kate Monk, Judith Parker, Alec Scott, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk

OTHERS PRESENT

Jackie Rombouts, Municipality of Warwick

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Tam called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #BD 23/16

Moved by Ray Chartrand

Seconded by Dave Frayne

“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the April 21, 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 24/16

**Moved Doug Cook
Seconded by Dave Frayne**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on March 17, 2016 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTES

In regards to future discussions on amending the investment policy, Doug Cook requested that the portfolio manager provide a detailed analysis of the current fund performance.

PROGRAM REPORT

1 (a) Development Review

Andrew Bicknell, Regulations Coordinator 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 2 *Applications for Permission* and 8 *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) the landowner who built a structure on the beach below the top of bank in the Municipality of Bluewater, is working with staff to resolve the violation.
- (ii) the Mining & Lands Commissioner is awaiting drawings from the proponents as the next step in resolving the appeal by the four landowners in Poplar Beach subdivision who attended a Hearing before the Board in November 2015.

MOTION #BD 25/16

**Moved by Dave Frayne
Seconded by Don Shipway**

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

Carried.

2. Flood Emergency Response Workshop

Alec Scott presented the notes from the Flood Emergency Response Workshop held on March 10, 2016. ABCA member municipalities and various stakeholders were invited to attend and participate in the meeting. Over 20 attended representing 5 of the 12 municipalities as well as staff and/or CEMC from three counties. Geoff Coulson of Environment Canada presented on current weather patterns and information sources. Steve Jackson, Maitland Valley Conservation Authority reported on results from a lakeshore emergency planning exercise. It was agreed that the ABCA should continue to organize this type of meeting on an annual basis.

3. Aerial Photography

Tracey McPherson, GIS/IT Coordinator reported that the ABCA received the 2015 aerial photography in late March for the Ausable Bayfield and Maitland Valley watersheds in support of the drinking water source protection program. Staff are able to access the photo mosaic through internal web mapping applications and use in the 3D mapping systems. It was suggested that a workshop be held for municipal staff and councillors to promote the GIS information available for the watershed.

4. Profit & Loss Financial Statement

Brian Horner, General Manager presented the financial statement to March 31, 2016 for the directors information.

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: *Conservation Authorities Act* Review

File: A.8.3

Brief: Correspondence from Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry updating the progress regarding the review of the *Conservation Authorities Act*. Based on the feedback received during the first phase of the review, a discussion paper will be posted on the Environmental Registry in the coming weeks for further comments.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

MOTION #BD 26/16

**Moved by George Irvin
Seconded by Don Shipway**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors go into Committee of the Whole at 10:52 a.m. to discuss property matters with Kate Monk, Brian Horner and Judith Parker remaining in attendance.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 27/16

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

“RESOLVED, THAT Committee of the Whole rise and report at 11:15 a.m.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 28/16

**Moved by George Irvin
Seconded by Doug Cook**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority renew the lease with the Claybird Gun Club for the period of June 1, 2016 to March 31, 2021 at a rate of increase of two per cent per year.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 29/16

**Moved by Dave Frayne
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors support the staff recommendation on the property matter as discussed.”

Carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Dave Frayne invited an ABCA staff member to meet with a representative of London Community Foundation and Municipality of South Huron to discuss the creation of a pollinator garden within the area.

TOUR

Ian Jean gave the directors a tour of the cold storage area and compound where the seedlings and large stock trees are stored until picked up by customers or planted for landowners. Directors then met in the GIS office to view the 3D imagery with Rob Carnegie, GIS Technician.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:55 a.m.

Mike Tam
Chair

Judith Parker
Corporate Services Coordinator

*Copies of Program Reports are available upon request.
Contact Judith Parker, Corporate Services Coordinator.*