



04-23-BOD Minutes
Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority
Apr 28, 2023 at 9:00 AM EST
@ 8195 8th Line, Utopia ON, L0M 1T0

Attendance

Present:

Mayor Scott W. Anderson, Adjala-Tosorontio (Township); Cllr. Christopher Baines, Collingwood (Town); Cllr. Joe Belanger, Wasaga Beach (Town); Cllr. Nicole Cox, New Tecumseth (Town); Cllr. Kyle Fegan, Shelburne (Town); Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink, Essa (Township); Chair Gail Little, Amaranth (Township); Deputy Mayor Paul Van Staveren Clearview (Township); Cllr. Kevin Eisses, Innisfil (Town); Mayor Janet Horner, Mulmur (Township); Mayor Darren White, Melancthon (Township); Cllr. Joel Loughead, Grey Highlands (Municipality); Cllr. June Porter, The Bule Mountains (Town); Vice-Chair Jonathan Scott, Bradford West Gwillimbury (Town)

NVCA Staff:

Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services; Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer; Chris Hibberd, Director, Watershed Management Services; Byron Wesson, Director, Conservation Services; Christine Knapp, General Account; Megan Muxlow, Accounting & Payroll Clerk; Ian Ockenden, Acting Watershed Science Supervisor; Sarah Thompson, Acting Source Water Coordinator; Maria Leung, Senior Communications Specialist; Kerry Jenkins, Administrative Assistant/Recorder

Absent:

Mayor Jennifer Coughlin, Springwater (Township); Cllr. Gary Harvey, Barrie (City); Cllr. Ralph Manktelow, Mono (Town); Cllr. Richard Schell, Oro-Medonte (Township)

Guests:

Tiffany Cecchetto, KPMG

1. Events

Tiffin Nature Program - Full Day

Date: Every Thursday

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation

Tiffin Nature Program (Session 5: Mar-May) - Half Day

Date: Every Tuesday

Location: Tiffin Centre for Conservation

PA/PD Day Camp

Date: April 28, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 4 pm or until sold out

Location: Tiffin Conservation Area, 8195 8th Line, Utopia ON L0M 1T0

Arbor Day Tree Sale

Date: May 13, 2023 from 8 am – 12 pm or until sold out

Location: Tiffin Conservation Area, 8195 8th Line, Utopia ON L0M 1T0

Volunteer to plant trees in Creemore along the Mad River

Date: Saturday, May 6, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: 3391 Concession 3 Nottawasaga Road S, Creemore, ON

Volunteer to plant trees in Hockley

Date: Sunday, May 7, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: 308579 DUFFERIN COUNTY ROAD 7 (aka Hockley road).
Coordinates go to 308579 Hockley Rd Mono, ON L9W 2Z2

Volunteer to plant trees in Mansfield

Date: Saturday, May 13, 2023 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Location: 937341 Airport Road, Dufferin County Rd 18, Township of Mulmur.

2. Call to Order

Chair Little called the meeting to order at 9:00am.

3. Land Acknowledgement

The Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority Board acknowledges that we are situated on the traditional land of the Anishinaabeg. The Anishinaabeg include the Odawa, Saukteaux, Anishinaabeg, Mississauga and Algonquin who spoke several languages including Anishinaabemowin and Potawatomi. We are dedicated to honouring Indigenous history and culture and committed to moving forward in the spirit of reconciliation and respect with all First Nation, Métis and Inuit people.

4. Declaration of Pecuniary and Conflict of Interest

5. Motion to Adopt the Agenda

Recommendation:

RES: 27-23

Moved by: Cllr. Joe Belanger

Seconded by: Cllr. Nicole Cox

RESOLVED THAT: the agenda for the Board of Directors meeting #04-23-BOD dated April 28, 2023 be approved.

Carried;

6. Announcements

Chair Little sent out congratulations to Donna Jebb for becoming the Chair of NVCA's Agricultural Advisory Committee, Vice-Chair Jonathan Scott for advocating for Federal Funding Fresh Water Action Plan, Cllr. Christopher

Baines who got Collingwood Council to agree to plant native trees and Mayor Janet Horner who received Friends of Greenbelt award.

7. Presentations

7.1. 2022 Audit from Tiffany Cecchetto, CPA, CA, KPMG LLP

Tiffany Cecchetto, CPA, CA, KPMG LLP conducted a presentation regarding NVCA's 2022 Audit.

Recommendation:

28-23

Moved by: Cllr. Kyle Fegan

Seconded by: Cllr. Christopher Baines

RESOLVED THAT: the Board receives the presentation regarding NVCA's 2022 Audit; and

FURTHER THAT: the Board approves the 2022 Draft Financial Statements.

Carried;

7.2. Watershed Health Checks from Ian Ockenden, Acting Watershed Science Supervisor

Ian Ockenden, Acting Watershed Science Supervisor conducted a presentation regarding *Watershed Health Checks – The State of our Natural Resources*.

Recommendation:

29-23

Moved by: Cllr. Joe Belanger

Seconded by: Mayor Janet Horner

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors receive the presentation *Watershed Health Checks – The State of our Natural Resources*.

Carried;

8. Deputations

There were no deputations.

9. Hearings

There were no hearings.

10. Determination of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Board Members are requested to identify items from the Consent List that they wish to have considered for separate discussion.

11. Adoption of Consent List and Identification of Items Requiring Separate Discussion

Recommendation:

RES: 30-23

Moved by: Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink

Seconded by: Mayor Darren White

RESOLVED THAT: agenda item number(s), _____ was identified as requiring separate discussion, be referred for discussion under Agenda Item #9; and

FURTHER THAT: all Consent List Agenda Items not referred for separate discussion be adopted as submitted to the board and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same; and

FURTHER THAT: any items in the Consent List not referred for separate discussion, and for which conflict has been declared, are deemed not to have been voted on or discussed by the individual making the declaration.

Carried;

12. Consent List

12.1. Adoption of Minutes

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Cllr. Joel Loughead

Seconded by: Cllr. Christopher Baines

RESOLVED THAT: the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting 03-23-BOD dated on March 24, 2023 be approved.

12.1.1. Adoption of Agricultural Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Cllr. Kevin Eisses

Seconded by: Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink

RESOLVED THAT: the minutes of the Agricultural Advisory Committee meeting 01-23-AAC dated on March 30, 2023 be approved.

12.2. Staff Reports

12.2.1. Staff Report No. 13-04-23-BOD from Kyra Howes, Manager, Lands & Operations

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Deputy Mayor Paul Van Staveren

Seconded by: Cllr. June Porter

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors receive Staff Report No. 13-04-23-BOD regarding the renaming of Minesing Wetland's Meadow Mouse Trail to the Harold Parker Memorial Trail

12.2.2. Staff Report No. 14-04-23-BOD from Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Cllr. Christopher Baines

Seconded by: Mayor Scott W. Anderson

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors approve Staff Report No. 14-04-23-BOD regarding the Administrative Bylaws Update.

12.2.3. Staff Report No. 15-04-23-BOD from Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Cllr. Nicole Cox

Seconded by: Cllr. Kevin Eisses

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors receive Staff Report No. 15-04-23-BOD regarding Board Member Per Diems; and
FURTHER THAT: the Board of Directors choose option #1.

12.2.4. Staff Report No. 16-04-23-BOD from Sheryl Flannagan, Director, Corporate Services

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Mayor Janet Horner

Seconded by: Cllr. Joe Belanger

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors receive Staff Report No. 16-04-23-BOD regarding the 2023 first quarter financials; and

FURTHER THAT: staff continue to monitor budget activities.

12.2.5. Staff Report No. 17-04-23-BOD from Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Mayor Janet Horner

Seconded by: Cllr. Nicole Cox

RESOLVED THAT: the NVCA recognizes the importance of the native maple tree, our arboreal emblem and we commit to always plant native maples whenever a maple is called for in any NVCA planting projects.

12.2.6. Staff Report No. 18-04-23-BOD from Maria Leung, Senior Communications Specialist

Recommendation:

Approved by Consent

Moved by: Mayor Darren White

Seconded by: Cllr. Joel Loughead

RESOLVED THAT: Staff Report No. 18-04-23-BOD regarding NVCA Communications – *March 11, 2023 – April 14, 2023*, be received.

13. Other Business

Deputy Mayor Paul Van Staveren informed the Board he will be bringing a motion to the table on May 8th to Clearview Council regarding re-opening Devils Land Provincial Park.

14. In-Camera - Board decided there was no need to go in-camera and proceeded with the below resolutions

14.1. Staff Report No. 19-04-23-BOD from Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer

Recommendation:

RES: 31-23

Moved by: Mayor Darren White

Seconded by: Cllr. Kevin Eisses

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors approve Staff Report No. 19-04-23-BOD as presented; and

FURTHER THAT: the Board approve the use of funds up to \$35,000 from our Reserve Fund.

Carried;

14.2. Doug Hevenor, Chief Administrative Officer 2022 Annual Performance Review

Recommendation:

RES: 32-23

Moved by: Cllr. Pieter Kiezebrink

Seconded by: Cllr. Christopher Baines

RESOLVED THAT: the Board of Directors receive the Chief Administrative Officer's 2022 annual performance review and 2023 review for implementation.

Carried;

15. Adjourn

Recommendation:

RES: 33-23

Moved by: Cllr. Kevin Eisses

Seconded by: Cllr. Nicole Cox

RESOLVED THAT: this meeting adjourn at 10:33am to meet again on May 26, 2023 or at the call of the Chair.

Carried;