

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mississippi Valley Conservation Centre
Carleton Place

MINUTES

March 21, 2018

MEMBERS PRESENT:

J. Mason, Vice-Chair;
D. Black;
M. Burnham;
F. Campbell;
G. Code;
E. El-Chantiry;
J. Flynn;
J. Hall;
B. MacDonald;
G. Martin;
G. McEvoy;
P. Sweetnam;
K. Thompson;
M. Wilkinson.

MEMBERS ABSENT:

D. Abbott, Chair;
A. Gillis;
J. Karau.

INVITED MEMBER ABSENT:

L. Antonakos.

VISTORS PRESENT:

R. Bell, Mississippi Lake Association;
P. Morrissette Pare, Stantec Inc.;
A. Taha, Stantec Inc.;
L. Weller, Stantec Inc.

STAFF PRESENT:

P. Lehman, General Manager;
J. Sargeant, Secretary-Treasurer;
A. Broadbent, Information Technology Supervisor;
M. Dodd-Moher, Water Resource Technician;
M. Craig, Manager, Planning and Regulations;
S. Gutoskie, Community Relations Coordinator;
G. Mountenay, Water Management Supervisor;
J. Price, Director, Water Resources Engineering;
K. Stiles, Biologist;
A. Symon, Watershed Planner;
A. Playfair, Recording Secretary.

BUSINESS:

1. Minutes – Board of Directors Meeting – February 21, 2018

B03/21/18-1

MOVED BY: M. Burnham

SECONDED BY: K. Thompson

Resolved, That the Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on February 21, 2018 be received and approved as printed.

“CARRIED”

2. 2018 Member Per-Diem and Honorarium

Mrs. Sargeant reviewed staff report# 2947/18. She noted that Bill 139 removed the requirement to receive OMB approval for per diems paid to members of the Authority. She proposed the per diem and honorarium for members for 2018 be increased by the cost of living of 1.7%.

Mr. Burnham commented that the OMB did not respond to the 2017 request for an increase to the per diem and suggested that the 2018 increase include last year's amount.

Mr. Sweetnam requested the Authority stay consistent with other conservation authorities in the area and suggested a 3% increase in the per diem for 2018 and increase the chairs honorarium to \$1750 for 2018.

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MOVED BY: E. El-Chantiry

SECONDED BY: P. Sweetnam

Resolved, That the per diem rates be increased by 3% effective immediately (representing a 2 year period 2016 & 2017) and further that the Honorarium be increased to \$1,750.00 effective immediately.

“CARRIED”

3. Shabomeka Lake Dam Class E.A. Update

Mr. Price informed the members that Mississippi Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) was in the process of completing a class environmental assessment for the Shabomeka Lake Dam. The Shabomeka Lake Dam Rehabilitation will be assessed through the Conservation Ontario's Class Environmental Assessment (Class EA) for Remedial Flood and Erosion Control Projects. Mr. Price noted the official public meeting will be held in conjunction with the Lake Associations AGM. A presentation is also planned for the Township of North Frontenac on March 29, 2018.

Mr. Taha and Ms. Weller, of Stantec Inc. presented the Shabomeka Lake Dam Rehabilitation project and the Environmental Assessment of the dam.

In response to a question, Mr. Price noted that the project also included developing a preliminary design and cost estimate for the rehabilitation of the Shabomeka Lake Dam which will facilitate further discussion with the Board regarding the dam.

4. Watershed Monitoring Report and 2018 Watershed Report Card

Ms. Dodd-Moher presented the 2017 Integrated Watershed Report of the lakes sampled in the watershed and the Stewardship programs of the Authority. She noted the report will be available on the MVCA's website.

Mrs. Stiles presented the City Stream Watch program that is available in the City of Ottawa. She noted that the program is a big success because of the large number of volunteers MVCA has to complete projects. She noted the different developments around the areas.

Mrs. Stiles presented the results of the Watershed Report Card that is produced every 5 years and is standardized across all authorities. She noted the watershed received an "A" result but the watershed could receive a lower grade in the next five year if the watershed loses more wetlands or forest.

Ms. Gutoskie informed the members that the report card will be launched on National Water Day Thursday, March 22, 2018 by email blast, media release, Twitter, Facebook and will be available on the MVCA website.

5. Mississippi Lake Modeling Project

Mrs. Symon and Mr. Lehman presented Nader Nakhaie's Mississippi Lake Modelling Project on water quality and algae bloom concerns. Mrs. Symon noted the project was created from the 2015 Mississippi Lake Plan and will support the development of the Mississippi River Watershed Plan.

6. Watershed Conditions Report

Staff report # 2948 was received.

7. Ontario Regulation 153/06 Permits

Staff report #2949 outlining Ontario Regulation 153/06 approved permits and active permits to March 13, 2018 was received.

8. Property Negotiating and Personnel Matters

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MOVED BY: G. Code

SECONDED BY: M. Burnham

Resolved, That the Board of Directors move "in-camera" to address a matter pertaining to a proposed or pending acquisition or disposal of real property for Authority purposes and personal matters about an identifiable individual including Authority employees, and further

Resolved, That Paul Lehman and Joan Sargeant remain in the room.

"CARRIED"

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MOVED BY: G. McEvoy

SECONDED BY: G. Martin

Resolved, That the Board of Directors move out of “in-camera” discussion

“CARRIED”

Ms. Mason advised that motion B03/21/18-4 was passed during the closed session.

9. Other Business

A Finance and Administration Advisory Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

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MOVED BY: J. Flynn

SECONDED BY: G. McEvoy

Resolved, That the Board of Directors meeting be adjourned.

“CARRIED”

“A. Playfair, Recording Secretary

J. Mason, Vice-Chair”