

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, May 13, 2021

Via Zoom

Commenced: 4:32 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:42 p.m

PRESENT: Lin Gibson, Chairperson
Steve Kaufman, Vice Chair
Bill Leduc
Jennifer Davidson
Mike Jakubo
Joscelyne Landry-Altman
Geoff McCausland

ALSO PRESENT: Carl Jorgensen, Secretary –Treasurer, General Manager
Melanie Venne, Staff
Bailey Chabot, Watershed Planner
Sarah Woods, Regulations Officer
Madison Keegans, Source Protection Program Manager

REGRETS: Anne Watelet

1. Chairperson Lin opened the meeting and thanked everyone for their attendance despite the beautiful weather.
2. No declarations of conflict were made.
3. Adoption of Agenda/Addition to Agenda

Lin suggested one clarification to the agenda, that the presenter for item 6c) be changed to Carl Jorgensen

Resolution 2021-45

McCausland – Leduc

That the agenda of the May 13, 2021 General Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried.

4. Previous Meeting Minutes

a) Adoption of Minutes of April 8, 2021

Resolution 2021-46

Kakubo - Kaufman

That the minutes of the April 8, 2021 General Board Meeting, as circulated and

reviewed, are approved.

Carried.

b) Business arising from minutes

Carl mentioned at a previous meeting that staff had applied for WECI funding for the repair of the Junction Creek box culvert under the downtown core. Response to the application has been favourable so far and we are waiting confirmation.

5. Source Protection Authority Meeting

Resolution 2021-47

Kaufman – Leduc

That we now leave the meeting of the General Board of the NDCA and commence a meeting of the Sudbury Source Protection Authority at 4:39p.m.

Carried.

The Source Protection Authority meeting concluded at 4:58 pm and the General Board meeting resumed.

6. General Business

a) Permission under Section 28/29 Report

Resolution 2021-48

Davidson - McCausland

That the report for permits issued under Sections 28 and 29 of the Conservation Authorities Act during the month of April 2021 is received.

Carried.

b) Regulation Review Committee Report

Sarah Woods provided some background information on this agenda topic. A meeting of the Regulation Review Committee (Hearing Board) was held on April 14, 2021 and the committee supported the applicant's position.

Resolution 2021-49

Leduc - McCausland

Given that the Regulation Review Committee (RRC) met with the applicant at a public hearing conducted on the ZOOM platform on April 14, 2021, and that the applicant

and Authority staff were provided ample opportunity to explain their positions, to ask and respond to a variety of questions, and

Given that the RRC deliberated in-camera based on the information provided to them, and reached a decision that supported the applicant's position at that time, and

Be it resolved

That the revised application for permission by Jay Jonathan Menard for an addition at 900 Sunnybrae Ave, Township of McKim, is confirmed as recommended at the hearing held on April 14, 2021, and

That permission be issued on condition that the applicant provides an updated drawing to staff that includes the dimensions of the addition to be built, and demonstrates that the addition will be flood-proofed to the satisfaction of staff, and that at a minimum, the top of the finished floor in the addition is to be at least 30 cm above the regulatory flood elevation, and

That the amended permit includes other conditions that are typical of permits for additions to nonconforming structures located in floodplains.

Carried.

c) Proposed policy change: Introduction to Wetland Policy

Carl Jorgensen provided context to the upcoming proposed Wetland Policy. Sarah Woods and Bailey Chabot provided further background by describing current examples of applications that include regulated wetland areas. Staff are currently working on finalizing the wetland policy and hope that the final draft will be presented at the next board meeting.

Resolution 2021-50

Landry-Altman - Leduc

That the General Board receives the staff report, Introduction of Wetland Guidance, dated May 6, 2021 and provides direction to staff based on the discussion and case studies to be presented.

Carried.

d) Governance Accountability and Transparency Initiative

Conservation Ontario is undertaking a Governance Accountability and Transparency initiative and requested that all Conservation Authorities province-wide endorse and participate in the program.

Resolution 2021-51

Jakubo - Leduc

That the Board receives the staff report dated May 2, 2021 on the Governance Accountability and Transparency Initiative, and

Be it resolved, that the Board endorse Conservation Ontario's initiative and commitment to governance accountability and transparency measures,

And further, that the Secretary-Treasurer provide a copy of this resolution to Minister Yurek, Conservation Ontario Chair Andy Mitchell and to the Clerk of the City of Greater Sudbury.

Carried.

e) First Third Financial Report

Carl provided an overview of the unaudited financial statements with details of expenditures and revenues from January to April 2021.

Resolution 2021-52

Jakubo – Landry-Altman

That the financial update for January to April 2021 from the General Manager is received.

Carried.

7. In Camera

Resolution 2021-53

McCausland - Leduc

That we go in-camera at 5:58 p.m.

Carried.

At 6:46 p.m. the Members concluded the in-camera portion of the meeting. Direction was provided to staff on several matters.

8. Adjournment

Resolution 2021-54

Landry-Altman - Davidson

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.