

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, November 18, 2021

Via MS Teams

Commenced: 5:42 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:14 p.m

PRESENT: Steve Kaufman, Chair
Jennifer Davidson
Mike Jakubo
Lin Gibson, Vice-Chair
Geoff McCausland

ALSO PRESENT: Carl Jorgensen, Secretary –Treasurer, General Manager
Melanie Venne, Staff
Bailey Chabot, Watershed Planner

REGRETS: Joscelyne Landry-Altman
Bill Leduc

1. Chairperson Steve Kaufman opened the meeting by acknowledging the loss of Nels Conroy. Nels was the first Chair of the Sudbury Source Protection Committee and saw the program from its infancy through to implementation. He was also provincially important in water policy. The Board sends condolences to his family.
2. No declarations of conflict were made.
3. Adoption of Agenda/Addition to Agenda

The order of the agenda was re-arranged so that all present members would be able to hear the budget presentation.

Resolution 2021-94

Jakubo – Davidson

That the agenda of the November 18, 2021 General Board Meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried.

4. Previous Meeting Minutes

a) Adoption of Minutes of October 14, 2021

Resolution 2021-95

Jakubo - McCausland

That the minutes of the October 14, 2021 General Board Meeting, as circulated and reviewed, are approved.

Carried.

5. General Business

a) Proposed Final Budget Recommendation

Carl provided a presentation regarding the proposed 2022 operating budget that had been endorsed on November 15 by the Audit and Finance Committee. The goal of the budget was to not exceed the target 3% increase in the municipal levy as requested by the City of Greater Sudbury. The board thanked Carl for his diligent work in crafting a budget that met some tight parameters.

Resolution 2021-96

Jakubo – Davidson

Be it resolved,

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority's 2022 budget in the total amount of \$2 195 906 is approved as presented.

And be it further resolved that the Authority's member municipality, the City of Greater Sudbury, be advised that the 2022 Operating Levy is in the amount of \$772 029 and the Capital Levy is in the amount of \$350 000 in keeping with the goals of asset management planning.

And further, that the Secretary-Treasurer of the Authority submit the approved budget to the City of Greater Sudbury's Clerk and Chief Financial Officer and that a presentation be made at the Finance and Administration Committee of the City of Greater Sudbury on November 29, 2021.

Carried.

b) Permission under Section 28/29 Report

Resolution 2021-97

Jakubo – Davidson

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

Carried.

c) Proposed Art Installation by Junction Creek Stewardship Committee

The Junction Creek Stewardship Committee, in consultation with the City of Greater Sudbury, is proposing an art installation and interpretive signage in Garson on lands owned by the Authority (see attached). The land is leased to the City of Greater Sudbury. Under the terms of the lease, the City (tenant) is required to seek approval from the owner for any development on the property.

Resolution 2021-98

Davidson - Jakubo

That the General Board supports the proposed art installation and interpretative signage as part of the Junction Creek Stewardship Committee's riparian revitalization project, on lands owned by Conservation Sudbury and leased by the City of Greater Sudbury in proximity of the Garson public library.

Carried.

6. New Business

a) Business arising from minutes

At the October General Board Meeting a vaccination policy was adopted. Carl provided an update that all staff members have disclosed their vaccination status and are in compliance with the policy.

7. Adjournment

Resolution 2021-99

Davidson - Jakubo

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.