

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

Minutes of General Board Meeting

Thursday, November 12, 2015

Room C-12
Tom Davies Square

Commenced: 4:00 p.m.
Adjourned: 6:40 p.m.

PRESENT: Jen Davidson
Lin Gibson, Chairperson
Mike Jakubo
Stephen Kaufman
Deb McIntosh
Paul Sajatovic
Mark Signoretti
Joscelyne Landry-Altman
Anne Watelet

ALSO PRESENT: C. Jorgensen, General Manager
Kassidy Kennedy, Young Leader on Board
Ashley Couture, Laurentian University Student Observer
Dennis Lenzi, Regulations Officer

1. Chairperson Gibson opened the meeting by welcoming all present including Kassidy Kennedy, our Young Leader on Board appointee from the United Way. Lin highlighted the Bob Rogers video which was shot for the Latornell Symposium with 11 in total attending the awards ceremony. She also mentioned that FLL had received \$15000 from the Sudbury Community Foundation from their Tree Program, for our signage campaign. She had attended a number of meetings, and mentioned the upcoming Latornell Symposium on November 16th to 19th.

2. No declarations of conflict were declared.

3. Adoption of Agenda/Additions to Agenda

Resolution 2015-70

A. Watelet - M. Jakubo

That the agenda for the meeting of November 12, 2015 be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

a) October 15, 2015 - Carl noted that a few details as to who had moved and seconded resolutions were missing from the minutes and with the assistance of members, filled in the blanks.

Resolution 2015-71

J. Landry-Altmann - Paul Sajatovic

That the minutes of the October 15, 2015 General Board meeting, as duplicated and circulated, be approved.

Carried.

b) Business Arising from Minutes

i) Transportation Study -

Following discussion and review of the draft letter to be sent in a timely fashion and copied to the board, the following resolution was presented.

Resolution 2015-72

J. Landry-Altmann - A. Watelet

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority reiterate its position of September, 2013 advising the City of Greater Sudbury that the Nickel District Conservation Authority strongly opposes the inclusion of the proposed South Bay Road Extension (item 7.7.2, Figure 55) and the Montrose South Extension (item 7.7.9, Figure 62) in the final Transportation Study Report.

Carried.

ii) M.N.R. Exemption Re Future Land Transfers to Government

Carl updated the members on the exemption granted by M.N.R.F. when Authority-owned land is transferred to other government bodies (federal/provincial/municipal.) In these cases an Order-in-Council or Ministerial Approval is no longer required. We should amend our policy to reflect this.

5. General Business

a) Section 28 Permits Report (October, 2015)

Some clarifications were requested and were provided. The following resolution was presented.

Resolution 2015-72

J. Landry-Altmann - J. Davidson

That the N.D.C.A. Permit 2015-39 to 2015-41 issued in October, 2015, under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* be approved as outlined in the Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines/Watercourses report.

Carried

b) Ski Cottage Sewage Tanks Replacement

A verbal report was provided regarding the poor condition of the holding tanks at the Ski Cottage, and then the following resolution was presented.

Resolution 2015-73

M. Jakubo - A. Watelet

That the Board withdraw from the Lake Laurentian Reserve, an amount up to \$12,000 for the replacement of holding tanks at the Ski Cottage.

Carried.

c) 2016 Budget

The draft budget was presented. There were some questions about how reserves and future revenues to be allocated to reserves were reflected. It was agreed that these could be shown more clearly.

Following the discussion, the proposed resolution was tabled until further adjustments can be made to the budget. The revision will be circulated by e-mail.

d) Request from MTO for Land Purchase - Near Whitson River Bridge, Chelmsford

Resolution 2015-74

P. Sajatovic - S. Kaufman

Whereas the Province of Ontario has provided the attached Property Purchase Agreement for a 0.025 acre portion of vacant Authority owned land adjacent to a bridge repair project being undertaken at a crossing of the Whitson River by Highway 144,

Therefore, be it resolved that the Nickel District Conservation Authority agrees to sell a piece of land described as:

Part 2, Plan P-2501-79, 53R-20467, Lot 3, Conc. 3, Township of Balfour, Hwy. 144, to the Ministry of Transportation for highway purposes. The Ministry of Transportation has offered to purchase the land for the nominal sum of \$600.

Carried.

e) Request for Donation from N.D.C.F.

Resolution 2015-75

J. Davidson - M. Jakubo

That the Nickel District Conservation Authority request a donation in the amount of \$39,000 from the Nickel District Conservation Foundation to support the educational program at Lake Laurentian.

Carried.

6. In-Camera Legal/Property)

At 5:45 p.m. a resolution was passed to go in-camera.

Resolution 2015-67

S. Kaufman - M. Jakubo

That we go in-camera at 5:45 p.m.

Carried.

At 6:00 p.m. the Board ended an in-camera session with no resolutions forthcoming.

7. Updates - These items were carried forward from the October meeting agenda when they were tabled to this meeting.

- a) Friends of Lake Laurentian - Chairperson Gibson mentioned we had met with GSDC Tourism representatives and look forward to developing this relationship further. An update on sponsorship was provided.
- b) Strategic Plan - Through our facilitator, Paddy O'Sullivan, the S.O.A.R. (Strengths, Opportunities, Aspirations, Results) approach was used in two sessions held so far, with a third possibly on December 7th. The sessions were attended by a mix of Foundation, General Board members, staff and F.L.L. volunteers.

8. New Business

- a) December Christmas Dinner Meeting - Members were reminded the meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 3, 2015 at the Sixth Avenue Golf Course. Please RSVP as soon as possible.

- b) Trails Program Update -

The trails program has about another month to go. An information package was provided at the last board meeting but was tabled. Please review and if you have any questions, please contact Carl.

- c) Request from Laurentian University re: Online Course Funding

Members were impressed by the course videos and material provided, but wanted to know more about how the Authority could benefit. Would we have access to the course, even as auditors? Would we be able to access data through the portal? Would we be given credit for video shot on our lands/waters if any. Carl will follow up with John Gunn to discuss opportunities before the Authority will commit.

9. Adjournment

Resolution 2015-68

J. Landry-Altmann - P. Sajatovic

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.