



BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, December 20 , 2018

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Administration Centre
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

2:30 p.m.

AGENDA

1. Chair's Welcome
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
4. Disclosure of intention to record this meeting by video and/or audio device
5. Adoption of Minutes from November 8, and November 22, 2018
6. **Business Out of the Minutes**
 - Vote on Proposed 2019 Project Levy, General Levy and Budget - Brian Horner
7. **Program Reports - Action Items**
 - Report 1: (a) Development Review (O Reg 147/06) - Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk
 - (b) Violation/Appeals Update - Geoff Cade
 - Report 2: Habitat Stewardship Program Funding Projects - Ian Jean
 - Report 3: Generic Regulations Mapping Updates - Tracey McPherson
 - Report 4: Agriculture Land Tender Results - Kate Monk
- Program Reports - Information Items**
 - Report 5: Rock Glen Washroom Renovation Update - Kate Monk
 - Report 6: Jones Pedestrian Bridge Report - Kate Monk
8. **Presentation:** *A Year in Review of Conservation Education* - Denise Iszczuk
9. **General Manager's Report**
10. **Committee Reports**
 - Ad Hoc Pedestrian Bridge Working Group - Dave Frayne
 - Ausable Bayfield Conservation Foundation - Judith Parker
 - Friends of South Huron Trail Committee - Dave Frayne
11. Correspondence
12. New Business
 - Set date for Striking Committee Meeting
 - ABCF Director Appointment
13. Committee of the Whole - property matter
14. Adjournment

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

- December 24 to January 2 (inclusive) - Office Closed
- February 21 - Board of Directors Annual Meeting at 10 a.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, November 8, 2018

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Doug Cook, Dave Frayne, Jim Ginn, Wayne Hall, Bob Harvey, George Irvin, Brian Ropp, Mike Tam

STAFF PRESENT

Bev Brown, Geoff Cade, Brian Horner, Ian Jean, Daniel King, Kate Monk, Judith Parker, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Mari Veliz

OTHER PRESENT

Sue Haskett - Bluewater Shoreline Residents' Association
Adam Skillen - Skillen Investment Management

CALL TO ORDER

Chair George Irvin called the Board of Directors meeting to order at 10:06 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #BD 96 /18

**Moved by Dave Frayne
Seconded by Ray Chartrand**

“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the November 8, 2018 Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Board of Directors Meeting be approved.”

Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest at this meeting or from the previous meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO RECORD PROCEEDINGS

None

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**MOTION #BD 97/18****Moved by Doug Cook
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on October 18, 2018 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

PRESENTATION

Adam Skillen of Skillen Investment Management attended the meeting to give an update on the performance of the investment income portfolio which is 65% bonds and 35% equities (including common shares). There has been success in the cumulative returns over the four years and it is recommended that there be no further changes at this time. The directors concurred with the recommendation. Mr. Skillen was thanked and he left the meeting at 10:30 a.m.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTESShoreline Management Plan Update

Geoff Cade, Water & Planning Manager advised the Draft Shoreline Management Plan was received from the consultant, W.F. Baird & Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd. and is being reviewed by staff. The directors will have the report to review on November 13 for discussion at the Board of Directors Special Meeting on November 22, 2018 at 10 a.m.

Revisions to Proposed 2019 Budget

Brian Horner, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer provided revisions to the proposed 2019 budget that resulted in a 2.12% increase to the combined project and general levies. By utilizing reserves, reductions were made to the Land Securement Plan project and the parking lot and furnace upgrades at the Admin Centre.

MOTION #BD 98/18**Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Jim Ginn**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2019 pay grid at a 2% increase.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 99/18**Moved by Mike Tam
Seconded by Doug Cook**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors approve the 2019 fee schedule as presented.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 100/18

**Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Dave Frayne**

“RESOLVED, THAT the member municipalities be advised of the 2019 proposed project levy, general levy and budget and provided with the supplementary information for the 30 day review, as the weighted vote by apportionment is intended to be held at the December 20, 2018 Board of Directors meeting.”

Carried.

PROGRAM REPORTS**1. (a) Development Review**

Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Planning & Regulations Officer, presented the Development Review report pursuant to Ontario Regulation 147/06 *Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses*. Through the application process, proposed developments within regulated areas are protected from flooding and erosion hazards. Staff granted permission for 14 *Applications for Permission* and 2 *Minor Works Permits*.

1. (b) Violation/Appeals Update

Staff reported there were no updates.

MOTION #BD 101/18

**Moved by Bob Harvey
Seconded by Jim Ginn**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors affirm the approval of applications as presented in Program Report #1 - Development Review.”

Carried.

2. Habitat Stewardship Program Funding

Ian Jean, Forestry and Stewardship Specialist presented six stewardship projects in the municipalities of North Middlesex and South Huron that met the eligibility requirements for Habitat Stewardship Program funding.

MOTION #BD 102/18

**Moved by Brian Ropp
Seconded by Wayne Hall**

“RESOLVED, THAT project numbers AB-2622, AB-2601, AB-2602, AB-2606, AB-2607, AB-2608 be approved for funding as recommended.”

Carried.

3. Healthy Lake Huron Project Funding Support

Mari Veliz, Healthy Watersheds Manager advised that the Healthy Lake Huron project is made up of a partnership of federal, provincial and municipal stakeholders as well as health units, industry, resident, agricultural organizations and four conservation authorities along the near shore of Lake Huron. The collaborative is seeking continued financial support that has resulted in millions of dollars of projects to protect and improve water quality issues in Lake Huron. A draft letter addressed to Honourable Rod Phillips, Minister of the Environment, Conservation and Parks was circulated for endorsement.

MOTION #BD 103/18

Moved by Jim Ginn

Seconded by Brian Ropp

"RESOLVED, THAT the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) Board of Directors support the request on behalf of the Healthy Lake Huron Partnership, to protect Lake Huron's southeast shore, and

FURTHER, THAT the Ontario Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks continue funding, in the amount of \$360,000 per year, in support of the Canada-Ontario Agreement (COA) on Great Lakes Water Quality and Ecosystem Health, and

FURTHER, THAT in order to facilitate the Healthy Lake Huron collaborative partnership work that implements long-term water quality monitoring, storm water management project implementation and evaluation, education and outreach to the benefit of Lake Huron and all the people who rely upon it."

Carried.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Brian Horner provided a written report with a brief update on the progress of various projects, staff training and development, upcoming meetings or events and general activities over the previous month.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

MOTION #BD 104/18

Moved by Ray Chartrand

Seconded by Wayne Hall

"RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Pedestrian Bridge Community Working Group meeting held November 1, 2018 and the motions therein be approved as circulated."

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m.

George Irvin
Chair

Judith Parker
Corporate Services Coordinator

BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING

Thursday, November 22, 2018

**Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Administration Centre
Morrison Dam Conservation Area**

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Dave Frayne, Doug Cook, Bob Harvey, Wayne Hall, Jim Ginn, George Irvin, Brian Ropp, Mike Tam

STAFF PRESENT

Geoff Cade, Brian Horner, Daniel King, Tracey McPherson, Judith Parker, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk

OTHERS PRESENT

Sue Haskett, Robin Glenny, Jan Purvis - Bluewater Shoreline Residents' Association
Leslie Myers, Zena Besterd - Beach O Pines Association
Fionna Duckett, P.Eng., W.F. Baird & Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd.

CALL TO ORDER

Chair George Irvin called the special meeting to order at 10:01 a.m. and welcomed all those in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #BD 108/18

**Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Brian Ropp**

“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the November 22, 2018 Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Board of Directors special meeting be approved.”

Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest at this meeting or from the previous meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO RECORD PROCEEDINGS

None.

PROPOSED SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE

Water & Planning Manager, Geoff Cade introduced the draft Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) update, draft mapping and draft Development Guidelines. The document had been circulated to the Board of Directors for review prior to this meeting. He explained that the SMP was prepared by W.F. Baird and Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd. The mapping was prepared by ABCA staff based on a process protocol previously discussed with the Board and as peer-reviewed by Baird and Associates. The draft mapping was presented in the public open houses held on August 11 and August 18, 2018. The draft Development Guidelines are as presented to the Board of Directors at the June 21, 2018 meeting. They were also presented to the public during the August 2018 open houses.

Chair George Irvin welcomed Fiona Duckett, P.Eng of W.F. Baird & Associates Coastal Engineers Ltd. to give a presentation on the draft of the Shoreline Management Plan. She summarized the process in updating the 2000 Shoreline Management Plan to reflect the wording of Provincial Policy Statement on Natural Hazards

An update to the 1994 *Considerations for Shore Protection Structures* was completed and presented to the Board in December 2017.

As part of the public engagement process, recommendations were provided as to the information required to accompany applications for shore protection to ensure shoreline ecosystems and processes are not impacted and negative impacts on other shoreline properties are not created.

A recession rate analysis was completed and 67% of the shoreline has erosion which is low but significant. This is based on an unprotected shore, because near shore structures will ultimately fail as they react to erosion challenges.

Input on climate change considerations was provided by Dr. Robin Davidson-Arnott recognizing the fact there is a high level of uncertainty with intensity of storms and water levels in the future. To manage the erosion hazards, flooding hazards and the dynamic beach, shoreline development must be directed away from the lakeshore through setbacks or no development.

Geoff Cade clarified that when reviewing applications for new shore protection construction, the ABCA is requesting a coastal engineer's assessment - as opposed to an engineered design. This review will provide an expert opinion that will protect the landowner and the ABCA from any potential liability from hazards and impacts on neighbouring properties.

Staff recommend the next steps in updating the Shoreline Management Plan are for the Board to approve releasing the draft document and supporting appendices to the public for a commenting period until January 25, 2019. The comments will then be compiled and presented to the Board of Directors at the February 21, 2019 meeting.

MOTION #BD 109/18

Moved by Dave Frayne

Seconded by Ray Chartrand

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors direct staff to release the draft Shoreline Management Plan, draft mapping, draft Development Guidelines and other referenced appendices for a public comment period starting November 28, 2018 and ending January 25, 2019, and

FURTHER, THAT the Board of Directors direct staff to return the results of the public consultation to the February 21, 2019 Board of Directors meeting.”

Carried.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:28 a.m.

George Irvin
Chair

Judith Parker
Corporate Services Coordinator