



IV ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Next Meeting

Chair Hackson advised that the next meeting of the Authority's Board will be held on Friday, February 22nd, 2008, which will be the Authority's 57th Annual General Meeting. This meeting will be held at the Town of Newmarket, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket, in Council Chambers.

(b) Meeting - Minister Cansfield, MNR and Minister Gerretsen, MOE

Chair Hackson advised that on January 17, 2008, the CAO, Chair Bill Fisch and herself met with Minister Cansfield, Ministry of Natural Resources. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the proposed Lake Simcoe Protection Act and the pressures facing Lake Simcoe and its watershed. The meeting was very beneficial and Minister Cansfield shared that she is very interested in working more closely with all conservation authorities.

On January 23, Chair Hackson, Chair Fisch, the CAO and the General Manager, Conservation Ontario, met with Minister Gerretsen, Ministry of the Environment. The Ministry of the Environment is the lead agency in the development of the proposed legislation for Lake Simcoe. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the role of the Authority as this initiative moves forward and to express an interest to be involved in both of the committees announced in the fall of 2007, the Stakeholder Committee and the Science Committee. This too was a very beneficial meeting.

V HEARINGS

There were no Hearings scheduled for this meeting

VI DELEGATIONS

There were no Delegations scheduled for this meeting.

VII PRESENTATIONS

(a) Phoslock™

The CAO informed the Board that the Province, in their funding announcement last year, included a commitment to fund the pilot project using Phoslock™ in the reduction of phosphorus.

The Director, Watershed Management provided a presentation regarding Phoslock™ identifying its use and the potential for reduction in phosphorus.

Staff advised that this pilot project will include two applications of Phoslock™ to the Centre Canal of the Holland Marsh. The first application will be done in the Spring and the second in the Fall 2008. The results of this pilot project will determine the methodology for moving forward with this product.

In response to a question related to safety and liability, staff advised that they have reviewed the various environmental reports completed by those who have used this product (Australia, USA, New Zealand, China and Germany) and are satisfied that this is a very safe product. It is a clay based product designed to reduce filtered



reactive phosphorus in nutrient rich water bodies. It is not harmful to drinking water or aquatic organisms.

The Board requested that staff ensure information regarding this application be shared publicly both before and during the application period.

Councillor John McCallum advised that this same presentation has been shared with the Holland Marsh Drainage Committee and will also be made to the Township of King's Council. This is providing the opportunity for the community farmers to be informed in this regard and thanked Authority staff for providing this information.

Staff advised that Dr. David Garman, M.Sc., from Australia, will be providing a presentation regarding Phoslock™ on March 17, 2008, in Newmarket. Further information will be provided shortly. In the meantime, further information can be obtained from their website at www.phoslock.com.au

Moved by: B. Drew

Seconded by: J. McCallum

BOD-004-08 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report o. 01-08-BOD and the presentation provided by the Director, Watershed Management regarding the use and purchase of Phoslock™ for the treatment of the Center Canal of the Holland Marsh in 2008, be approved; and FURTHER THAT staff be directed to purchase 45 tonnes of Phoslock™ at a cost of \$126,560. including shipping.

CARRIED

VIII DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Items 2(c), 5, 6, 8, 9 and 12 were identified for separate discussion.

IX ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Moved by: A. Nuttall

Seconded by: E. Bull

BOD-005-08 RESOLVED THAT the following recommendations respecting the matters listed as "Items Not Requiring Separate Discussion" be adopted as submitted to the Board and staff be authorized to take all necessary action required to give effect to same.

CARRIED

1. Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation 179/06

RESOLVED THAT applications under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act and Ontario Regulation 179/06 be received for information.



2. **Correspondence**
RESOLVED THAT the correspondence listed in the December 14th, 2007 Agenda as items 2 (a, b, d, through i, and j of the Tabled Items and Other Business Agenda) be received for information.
3. **Monthly Communications Update**
RESOLVED THAT the Monthly Communications Update, for the period December 1 to 31, 2007, be received for information.
4. **Chair's Quarterly Activity Report**
RESOLVED THAT Chair's Report No. 01-08-Chair which outlines the activities of the Authority's Chair for the period October 1 to December 31, 2007, be received for information.
7. **Monthly Planning Statistics**
RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 04-08-BOD regarding the quarterly monitoring of planning and development applications for the period October 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 be received; and
FURTHER THAT the Year-End Monitoring Report of planning and development applications for the period January 1, 2007 to December 31, 2007 be received for information.
10. **Occupational Health & Safety Policy Statement**
RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 07-08-BOD regarding the Authority's 2008 Occupational Health and Safety Policy be approved and adopted in order to be meet legislative requirements under the *Occupational Health and Safety Act*.
11. **Strategic Plan - A Vision for the Restoration & Protection of Lake Simcoe & its Watershed**
RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 08-08-BOD regarding the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority's Strategic Plan entitled Watershed 2010 A Vision for the Restoration & Protection of Lake Simcoe & its Watershed dated November 2007, be received and approved; and
FURTHER THAT staff be requested to develop a Business Plan based on the approved Strategic Plan.

X CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

As representatives from Uxbridge Naturally were in attendance, it was recommended that Agenda Item No. 9 be brought forward for discussion.

9. **Tanenbaum Lands - Township of Uxbridge**
The Board dealt with Staff Report No. 06-08-BOD regarding the development of a long-term Management Plan for properties within the Township of Uxbridge, known as the Tanenbaum Lands.



Moved by: B. Drew

Seconded by: J. Taylor

BOD-007-08 RESOLVED THAT correspondence listed as item 2(c) from the Town of Georgina, of the January 25, 2008, agenda be received for information.

CARRIED

5. Budget Status Update

Councillor Agnew requested clarification related to the variance of some expenditures reflected in the Budget Status Reports included with Staff Report No. 02-08-BOD.

The Director, Corporate Services provided an overview of the Budget Summary Report and explained the variance of the budget vs. expenditures.

The Director, Corporate Services also provided an update on the 2008 budget process advising that discussions have taken place with all municipalities at the staff level and currently presentations are being provided to the municipal councils.

It is expected that the Authority's final 2008 Budget will be before the Board for approval at their April 2008 Board meeting.

Chair Hackson requested that the Board Members discuss the Authority's preliminary budget with staff prior to presentations to their Councils, if required.

Moved by: S. Agnew

Seconded by: G. Wauchope

BOD-008-08:RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 02-08-BOD regarding the Authority Budget Status for the eleven month period ending November 30, 2007, be received.

CARRIED

6. Lake Simcoe Stormwater Management Opportunities

Councillor Agnew noted that there is no reference to funding in this report and inquired as to where the funding will come from for the projects identified.

Staff responded that the objective of this report was to look at stormwater management in the basin. The next step is to work with municipal partners to determine how the identified retrofits can be dealt with. Once these discussions take place the costs can be determined and dealt with between the Authority and municipality with possible funding through the Lake Simcoe Water Quality Improvement Program.

The Authority will be submitting proposals to the Federal government for consideration of funding as well.



The Board congratulated the Manager, Watershed Science and his team for the production of this report which will be posted to the Authority's website www.lsrca.on.ca

Moved by: J. Rupke

Seconded by: G. Wauchope

BOD-009-08 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 03-08-BOD regarding the Lake Simcoe Basin Stormwater Management and Retrofit Opportunities Report be received; and FURTHER THAT the Lake Simcoe Basin Stormwater Management and Retrofit Opportunities Report be approved for public release.

CARRIED

8. Durham Forest Timber Sales - Update

Mayor Grossi requested an explanation regarding the large variance between the three bids submitted in response to this tender as reflected in Staff Report No. 05-08-BOD.

The Manager, Watershed Stewardship reviewed the tender process and indicated that the forestry industry has become a very competitive market which has resulted in the difference in the bids received.

Moved by: H. Herrema

Seconded by: A. Nuttall

BOD-010-08 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 05-08-BOD detailing the record of tenders for Durham Region Forest Tender DRF-001-2007 be received; and THAT Tender DRF-01-2007 be awarded to Stella Jones Inc.; and FURTHER THAT the Region of Durham be provided with a copy of this Staff Report.

CARRIED

12. Proposed Increase to Per Diems, Mileage & Honorariums

The Board dealt with Staff Report No. 09-08-BOD regarding a proposed increase to the per diems and mileage rate paid to Board Members as well as the annual honorarium paid to the Chair and Vice Chair.

The CAO reminded the Board that the per diem rate paid to the Authority's Board has not been adjusted since 1990, and application for an increase to this amount was made in response to the additional duties assessed the Board in relation to Source Protection Planning.

The proposed increases were submitted to and approved by the Ontario Municipal Board to be effective January 2008.



Moved by: J. Rupke

Seconded by: J. McCallum

BOD-011-08 RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 09-08-BOD regarding the Authority's Board of Directors Per Diems and the Honorariums for the Chair and Vice Chair be received; and FURTHER THAT the increases as approved by the Ontario Municipal Board, dated January 8, 2008, be implemented effective January 1, 2008.

XI OTHER BUSINESS

(a) Flooding - Township of Ramara

Councillor John O'Donnell advised of a flooding incident in the Township of Ramara on January 9th, 2008, as a result of the premature removal of logs from the Talbot Dam. Five homes in Ramara were flooded as a result of this activity.

Councillor O'Donnell indicated that a meeting is being organized between the Township and both the federal and provincial governments in order to discuss process to ensure this does not happen again. Councillor O'Donnell would appreciate the attendance of Authority staff at this meeting.

Moved by: J. O'Donnell

Seconded by: G. Wauchope

BOD-012-08 RESOLVED THAT Authority staff be directed to attend a meeting hosted by the Township of Ramara with the Trent Severn Waterway staff, federal and provincial government representatives, regarding recent flooding in the Township of Ramara.

CARRIED

XII CLOSED SESSION

Moved by: J. McConnell

Seconded by: H. Herrema

BOD-013-08 RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Directors move to "Closed Session" to discuss confidential land and legal matters.

Moved by: H. Herrema

Seconded by: B. Huson

BOD-014-08 RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Directors rise from "Closed Session" and report their progress.



(a) **Land Securement Update**

The Board dealt with Confidential Staff Report No. 10-08-BOD

Moved by: R. Grossi

Seconded by: E. Bull

BOD-015-08 RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 10-08-BOD regarding land securement matters be received; and FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained within this report be approved.

(b) **Land Disposition**

The Board dealt with Confidential Staff Report No. 11-08-BOD.

Moved by: R. Grossi

Seconded by: E. Bull

BOD-016-08 RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 11-08-BOD regarding land disposition matters be received; and FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained within this report be approved.

(c) **Legal Status Update Report -
Period ending December 31, 2007**

The Board dealt with Confidential Staff Report No. 12-08-BOD.

Moved by: R. Grossi

Seconded by: E. Bull

BOD-017-08 RESOLVED THAT the Legal Services Status Report for the twelve months ending December 31, 2007, be received for information.

XII ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 11:10 a.m. on a motion by R. Grossi.

original signed by:

Councillor Virginia Hackson
Chair

original signed by:

D. Gayle Wood, CMM III
Chief Administrative Officer