



**LAKE SIMCOE REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY**  
**MEETING NO. BOD-06-09**  
**Friday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Stephen Leacock Museum**  
**50 Museum Drive**  
**Orillia, ON**

**MINUTES**

**Board Members Present:**

V. Hackson, Chair  
Councillor B. Drew, Vice-Chair  
Councillor S. Agnew  
Mr. E. Bull  
Councillor G. Campbell  
Councillor K. Ferdinands  
Mayor R. Grossi  
Councillor B. Huson  
Councillor J. McCallum  
Councillor J. O'Donnell  
Councillor J. Rupke  
Deputy Mayor G. Wauchope  
Mayor J. Young

**Regrets:**

Regional Councillor J. Grant  
Regional Councillor H. Herrema  
Councillor E. MacEachern  
Councillor A. Nuttall  
Regional Councillor J. Taylor  
Mayor R. Stevens

**Staff Present:**

D. Gayle Wood, C.A.O./Secretary-Treasurer  
B. Kemp, Director, Conservation Lands  
K. Neale, A/Director, Corporate Services  
M. Walters, Director, Watershed Management  
R. Baldwin, Manager, Watershed Science  
T. Hogenbirk, Manager, Engineering & Technical Services  
K. Christensen, Coordinator, Human Resources  
K. Kennedy, Land Securement Officer  
G. Casey, Coordinator, Board/CAO, Projects & Services

**Guests:**

M. Geist, UDI Representative

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**I DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

Deputy Mayor Gord Wauchope and Mr. Eric Bull declared a conflict of interest in relation to item VIII (10). If this Staff Report (No. 40-09-BOD regarding Bill 196: Proposed Barrie-Innisfil Boundary Adjustment Act, 2009) is identified for discussion neither will participate in the discussion.

**II APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Chair Hackson requested approval to move item VIII (5) - Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area Management Plan forward to Presentations and further recommended that the Closed Session discussion be handled following the Announcements.

Moved by: J. Young

Seconded by: J. O'Donnell

**BOD-088-09 RESOLVED THAT the content of the Agenda for the June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2009, meeting of the Board of Directors be approved as amended.**

**CARRIED**





In addition, Councillor Agnew extended thanks to Authority staff Brook Piotrowski and Nadine Abrams, for providing a presentation to the Oro-Medonte Environmental Advisory Committee on stormwater management issues in Oro-Medonte.

(d) Dedication Ceremony – Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve

Chair Hackson reminded the Board that a dedication ceremony is being held on July 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Roches Point for the Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve.

(e) George R. Richardson Dedication

Councillor John McCallum thanked Authority staff for the very well organized dedication event honouring George and Doris Richardson. The family dedicated a bench which has been placed at Scanlon Creek in a lookout area which was developed by staff. Councillor McCallum noted that the Richardson family was very pleased with this event as well.

(f) Report on Phosphorus Loads to Lake Simcoe 2004-2007

A copy of the final report was tabled for the Board Members. This was dealt with in draft and approved at their May 2009 meeting. More copies are available by contacting the Authority's Office.

## XII **CLOSED SESSION**

Moved by : J. Rupke

Seconded by: E. Bull

**BOD-092-09:RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Directors move to Closed Session to discuss confidential legal and land matters.**

CARRIED

Moved by: G. Wauchope

Seconded by: R. Grossi

**RESOLVED THAT the Authority's Board of Directors rise from Closed Session and report their progress.**

CARRIED

(a) **Appointments -**

**Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation's Board of Directors**

Moved by: G. Wauchope

Seconded by: J. Young

**BOD-093-09:RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 42-09-BOD regarding the recommended appointments to the Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation be approved and the Foundation be so advised.**

CARRIED



(b) **Legal Status Update**

Moved by: J. McCallum

Seconded by: R. Grossi

BOD-094-09: **RESOLVED THAT the Legal Services Status Report for the five month period ending May 31, 2009, be received for information.**

(c) **Legal Opinion**

Moved by: S. Agnew

Seconded by: B. Huson

BOD-095-09: **THAT Staff Report No. 44-09-BOD regarding a confidential legal opinion be received and the recommendation contained therein be approved.**

CARRIED

(d) **Land Securement Initiatives**

Moved by: R. Grossi

Seconded by: B. Drew

BOD-096-09: **RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 45-09-BOD regarding land securement matters be received; and FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained within this report be approved.**

CARRIED

(e) **Land Disposition Initiatives**

Moved by: E. Bull

Seconded by: G. Campbell

BOD-097-09: **RESOLVED THAT Confidential Staff Report No. 46-09-BOD regarding land disposition initiatives be received; and FURTHER THAT the recommendations contained within this report be approved.**

CARRIED

V ***PRESENTATIONS***

(a) **Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area Management Plan**

**Scanlon Creek Conservation Area**

The Director, Conservation Lands extended his thanks to Councillor John McCallum, Council and the staff of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury for their continued assistance with Scanlon Creek Conservation Area. Most recently they have extended an offer to assist with the repairs required for the Gate House.



Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area Management Plan

The Director, Conservation Lands supported Staff Report No. 35-09-BOD with a presentation related to the Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area Management Plan and associated Business Plan. The Management Plan was developed with broad based public consultation through which a number of issues were identified including, trails, lack of public programs; forest management, property maintenance and off-leash dogs.

The costs to implement the recommendations included in the Management Plan have an estimated cost of \$250,000 over the next five years.

Chair Hackson congratulated Councillor Evelina MacEachern who Chairs this Committee and the Director for the work done. In turn, the Director extended thanks and appreciation to Bill Thompson, Conservation Lands Planner, LSRCA, for the incredible work he has done on all the Conservation Area Management Plans.

The Board approved the recommendation contained within Staff Report No. 35-09-BOD.

Moved by: G .Wauchope

Seconded by: K. Ferdinands

**BOD-098-09 THAT Staff Report No. 35-09-BOD regarding the Sheppard's Bush Conservation Area Management Plan be received; and THAT the Management Plan and associated Business Plan be approved; and FURTHER THAT Conservation Authority staff continue to pursue funding and in-kind support to implement the recommendations of the Management Plan.**

CARRIED

**VI HEARINGS**

There were no Hearings scheduled for this meeting.

**VII DEPUTATIONS**

There were no Deputations scheduled for this meeting.

**VIII DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Items 7, 8, 9 and 10 were identified for separate discussion.



**IX *ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION***

Moved by: B. Drew

Seconded by: E. Bull

**BOD-099-09: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**

**BOD-100-09:RESOLVED THAT applications under Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act and Ontario Regulation 179/06 be received for information.**

**2. Correspondence**

**BOD-101-09:RESOLVED THAT the correspondence listed in the agenda as item 2(a) be received.**

**3. Monthly Communications Update**

**BOD-102-09:RESOLVED THAT the Monthly Communications Update - Summary, for the period May 1-31, 2009 be received for information.**

**4. Budget Status Update**

**BOD-103-09:RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 34-09-BOD regarding the Authority Budget Status for the five month period ending May 31, 2009, be received.**

**6. Federal/Provincial Infrastructure Funding Scanlon Creek Conservation Area**

**BOD-104-09:RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 36-09-BOD regarding funding opportunities under the Federal / Provincial Recreational Infrastructure Canada funding be received; and FURTHER THAT the Board endorse an application to this funding source for \$396,000 over the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years, including \$132,000 each from the Provincial and Federal governments, and up to \$86,000 from the Conservation Area Maintenance and Development budget.**



## 11. Communications Plan

### Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve

BOD-105-09: **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 41-09-BOD regarding the Communications Plan for the Arnold C. Matthews Nature Reserve be received; and FURTHER THAT staff be directed to continue to work with the land owners, the Region of York, the Nature Conservancy of Canada and other municipal agencies to implement the dedication event plans.**

CARRIED

## X *CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION*

### 7. Innisfil Beach Road - Alcona

#### Two-Zone Approach

The Board dealt with Staff Report No. 37-09-BOD regarding a request from the Town of Innisfil to implement the two zone floodplain management approach at Innisfil Beach Road in Alcona. This request was put forward in the interest of public safety given that the 1:100 year level of protection for an urban area is not deemed to be sufficient.

The Board suggested giving some thought to changing the term 1:100 year storm given that every 2-3 years a 1:100 year event is experienced,

The Authority's Manager, Engineering and Technical Services provided clarification related to the two tier floodplain system advising that the flood fringe is shallow while the flood way is deeper water and considered more hazardous.

Moved by: S. Agnew

Seconded by: B. Drew

BOD-106-09: **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 37-09-BOD regarding a request from the Town of Innisfil to implement a two zone approach at Innisfil Beach Road be received; and FURTHER THAT a two zone floodplain management approach be applied to the Watercourse 4 floodplain from the inlet to the trunk storm sewer (west of Thompson Street) to the outlet of the trunk storm sewer immediately east of 25<sup>th</sup> Sideroad on Innisfil Beach Road in Alcona subject to the following conditions:**

- 1) That any significant increase in flood levels or velocities be contained within municipally owned lands; and
- 2) That additional or new flood waters not be directed on to privately owned lands.

CARRIED



## 8. Ministry of Natural Resources Fish Die-Off Protocol

The Board received Staff Report No. 38-09-BOD regarding the Fish Die Off Protocol as established by the Ministry of Natural Resources-Aurora District. A copy of the Protocol was included with the Staff Report.

Mayor Grossi indicated that while it is helpful to have a Protocol in writing, the Province will now need to stand behind it adding that it is a disappointment to not see any reference in the document to the province providing financial assistance to help with the clean up of dead fish.

Moved by: R. Grossi

Seconded by: G. Wauchope

**BOD-107-09: RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 38-09-BOD regarding the Fish Die-off Response Protocol Aurora District dated May 2009, as issued by the Ministry of Natural Resources, be received for information.**

CARRIED

## 9. Lake Simcoe Protection Plan Approval to Sign Agreements/Contracts

The Board dealt with and approved Staff Report No. 39-09-BOD regarding the signing of agreements and contracts related to the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan.

The Board expressed concern with staff resources to undertake additional work. The CAO advised that staff are working at capacity however as requests are received they will be evaluated to ensure the work can be completed without any negative impact on staff as well as on the services provided to our municipal partners. In addition, staff will be seeking funding from the province for staff resources.

Moved by: J. O'Donnell

Seconded by: E. Bull

**BOD-108-09: RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 39-09-BOD regarding Provision of Purchasing, Tendering and Consulting Services Authorization to the Authority's Chair or Vice-Chair and Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary-Treasurer for projects funded by the Province of Ontario for the Implementation of the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan be received; and FURTHER THAT the Authority's Chair or Vice Chair and Chief Administrative Officer/Secretary Treasurer be authorized to approve Purchasing, Tendering and Consulting Services for projects funded by the Province of Ontario for the Implementation of Lake Simcoe Protection Plan.**

CARRIED



## 10. Bill 196 - Proposed Barrie - Innisfil

### Boundary Adjustment Act, 2009

(Pages 101-110)

The Board dealt with Staff Report No. 40-09-BOD regarding Bill 196-Proposed Barrie-Innisfil Boundary Adjustment Act, 2009.

The Board dealt with and approved Staff Report No. 40-09-BOD regarding Bill 196: Proposed Barrie-Innisfil Boundary Adjustment Act, 2009. The Staff Report deals with the environmental impact of the boundary adjustment and contains the LSRCA's comments on what the impact will potentially be on Lake Simcoe, the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan and the environment.

The CAO advised that the Staff Report, as written, is consistent with the Board of Director's position as it relates to the results of the Assimilative Capacity Studies(ACS).

The Board commended staff for the content of the Staff Report and requested that it be provided to the province and all watershed municipalities.

Moved by: B. Drew                      Seconded by: S. Agnew

BOD-109-09      **RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 40-09-BOD regarding a review of Bill 196: Proposed Barrie-Innisfil Boundary Adjustment Act, 2009 be approved; and THAT the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority recommend that Bill 196 only be considered after it can be demonstrated that growth is environmentally sustainable and does not further negatively impact on the health and quality of Lake Simcoe and its watershed in accordance with the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan; and FURTHER THAT Staff Report No. 40-09-BOD be circulated to the Province and all watershed municipalities for their review and consideration.**

CARRIED

## XI **OTHER BUSINESS**

### (a) Lake Simcoe Protection Plan

The CAO provided a brief update on the release of the final Lake Simcoe Protection Plan on June 2, 2009, advising that staff are currently reviewing the Plan in order to determine what comments provided by the LSRCA have been included.

A meeting with the Senior Policy Advisor, Minister Gerretsen's Office, was held with LSRCA Chair and Senior Staff, the CAO of York Region and the General Manager, Conservation Ontario to review the LSRCA's Watershed Showcase.



Staff are requesting a meeting with the Provincial Lake Simcoe Protection Staff Team to discuss the LSRCA's roles and responsibilities as they relate to implementation of the Plan and timelines.

Staff will be preparing a document in response to the Plan which will be presented to the Board at their July 2009 meeting for consideration. This will address what the LSRCA will be doing in response to the Plan and will be based largely on the information provided in the LSRCA's Integrated Watershed Management Plan which was completed by the LSRCA prior to the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan.

(b) Announcements & Updates

Chair Hackson advised that both the July 24 and August 28<sup>th</sup>, 2009, Board Meetings will be held as scheduled.

**XIII ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 12:40 p.m. on a motion by Mayor Young.

*original signed by:*

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Councillor Virginia Hackson  
Chair

*original signed by:*

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D. Gayle Wood, CMM III  
Chief Administrative Officer