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Grey Sauble Conservation Authority

Minutes

Full Authority Board of Directors

Wednesday, July 11th, 2012 – 2:00 p.m.

The Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting was held at the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Administration Centre located on Inglis Falls Road.

1. Call to Order

Chair Hibma called the meeting to order.

Directors Present

Dick Hibma, Dave Clarke, Ian Boddy, Judy Gay, Harley Greenfield, Ross Herron, Bob Lennox, Michael Martin, Terry McKay, Paul McKenzie, and Mike Poetker

Staff Present – John Cottrill, Doreen Robinson, Cam Bennett, and Krista McKee

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion No.:	Moved by:	Harley Greenfield
FA-12-074	Seconded by:	Paul McKenzie

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the agenda of July 11th, 2012, with the following changes.

Add Under 7 a) – Water Management - 1) Health Unit – water tests at Hibou Conservation Area;

Add Under 7 d) – Forestry, Fish, and Wildlife - 1) Forest Festival

Item 8 – In Camera - a) Personnel Policy Updates – defer;

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

The Directors were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at this time.

4. Approval of Minutes

a) Full Authority – June 13th, 2012

Motion No.:	Moved by:	Mike Poetker
FA-12-075	Seconded by:	Dave Clarke

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the Full Authority minutes of June 13th, 2012.

Carried

b) Arboretum Alliance – nothing at this time

5. Business Out of Minutes

1) Tender for the culvert repair at the Taylor Street detention pond, south of Wiarton

Gamsby and Mannerow, Consulting Engineers, have confirmed that the alternate pipe proposed by Bud Mervyn Construction Ltd., to use for the culvert repair at the Taylor Street detention pond, south of Wiarton, meets specifications. This makes the price of the tender \$10,000.00 cheaper, for a total bid price of \$31,500.00.

2) In-Camera Minutes of June 13th, 2012

Motion No.:	Moved by:	Mike Poetker
FA-12-076	Seconded by:	Judy Gay

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors accept the recommendations from the In-Camera meeting of June 13th, 2012.

Carried

6. Correspondence - nothing at this time

7. Business Items

a) Water Management

1) Water Test – Hibou Conservation Area

A resident made an inquiry about the water quality at Hibou Conservation Authority and asked if the water is tested. The Health Unit did a water test last week and the water test came back with good results. The Health Unit advised it was the best results of water tested at beaches so far this year. This information will be posted on our website. The Directors asked that a press release be issued on the quality of the water at Hibou.

2) Taylor Street Project

Krista McKee made a video presentation on the work being done at the Taylor Street Project. The video was prepared by John Bittorf.

b) Environmental Planning

1) Section 28 Permits – June 2nd to June 28th, 2012

Motion No.	Moved by:	Judy Gay
FA-12-077	Seconded by:	Harley Greenfield

THAT the list of permits under Ontario Regulation 151/06 – “Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses Regulation”, for the period June 2nd to June 28th, 2012, be approved by the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors.

Carried

c) Lands Management – nothing at this time

d) Forestry, Fish, and Wildlife

1) 2012 Bruce Grey Forest Festival

Cam Bennett made a presentation on the 2012 Bruce Grey Forest Festival being held at Allan Park on October 16th, 18th, and 19th, 2012. At the Forest Festival Grade 7 students will learn about the importance of Forest Stewardship, Ecosystems, Climate Change, and Biodiversity through a series of hands on activities. Volunteers come from local secondary schools, Grey

Sauble Conservation, Saugeen Valley Conservation, Grey and Bruce Counties, Bruce and Grey County Woodlot Associations, and other interested citizens. There are five levels for sponsors. Forest Level - \$10,000.00 +; Tree Level - \$5,000.00 +; Sapling Level - \$2,500.00 +; Seedling Level - \$500.00 +; Seed Level – up to \$499.00. In 2011, the Board of Directors donated \$2,500.00 and this amount has been budgeted for 2012.

Motion No.: **Moved by:** **Terry McKay**
FA-12-078 **Seconded by:** **Judy Gay**

THAT Grey Sauble Conservation donate \$2,500.00 towards the Bruce Grey Forest Festival being held in Allan Park on October 16th, 18th, and 19th, 2012.

Carried

e) **Communications/Public Relations**

1) **Biennial Tour Update**

Krista McKee provided an update of the progress of preparations for the Biennial Tour. On June 26th Krista met with Chef Paul Johnson to plan the dinner menu for the “100 Mile Menu” showcasing the food producers of Grey and Bruce. Our wine for the welcome baskets and the dinners will be purchased from Georgian Hills Vineyards, Ravenna.

Bussing, 2 - 56 seater coaches have been booked (112 people). If our numbers do not accommodate this we will be switching to the 47 seater coach (94 people).

Registration to date is: 87 people are attending (22 are from Grey Sauble and Saugeen). This changes our number to 65 paid in full attending (approx \$37,000 in registration).

Krista requested direction on how she was to process accommodations for board members that were staying at the CAW. The Board made the following motion:

Motion No.: **Moved by:** **Judy Gay**
FA-12-079 **Seconded by:** **Harley Greenfield**

THAT registration costs, meals, and bus costs for Board of Directors attending the 2012 Biennial Tour be paid by Grey Sauble Conservation Authority, and room costs be paid by the Director or by municipal council.

Carried

Invitations will be sent out to the CAO's of Bruce and Grey Counties and municipalities in the watershed. John Cottrill will also contact Ministry of Natural Resources staff.

2) 2012 Day Camp

Michael Donnelly has been hired as the 2012 Day Camp Leader. Michael was the Day Camp Leader last year. Rachelle DeJong is the Assistant Day Camp Leader. The camp is full and a waiting list has been started for any vacancies that may come up. No advertising was done for the Camp.

Bob Lennox left the meeting at 2:40 p.m.

f) Administration

1) Receipts and Expenses

Motion No.:	Moved by:	Ross Herron
FA-12-080	Seconded by:	Terry McKay

THAT the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors approve the receipts and expenses for June 2012.

Carried

8. **In Camera Items** – This item was deferred until the next meeting.

9. **Chairman's Report**

Since the last meeting, John Cottrill and Dick have attended Conservation Ontario meetings on June 25th and June 26th. The agenda included preliminary reaction to new Great Lakes Protection Act. This represents significant opportunity for people of Ontario in general and for Conservation Authorities.

Also included, was discussion and consideration of a path forward in relation to recent provincial and federal budget legislation. Both were omnibus bills with changes to a variety of acts which impact our business. We won't know for some time exactly how it will impact us, but we know it will, and need to prepare for changes. Expect to hear more when the report from this session is done.

On June 27th, along with others from this office, Dick attended the retirement celebration for Jim Coffey, now former CAO of Saugeen Valley Conservation. His departure will begin the change process for our neighbouring Conservation Authority as they go through the process of selecting a new C.A.O.

In relation to Dick's recent appointment to the IJC's Great Lakes St. Lawrence River Adaptive Management Task Team, Dick participated in a tele-conference on June 26th to begin preparation of a detailed task plan regarding development of further details to support one of the recommendations from the IUGLS to the IJC. That recommendation was to create a Great Lakes St. Lawrence River Levels Advisory Board and a Bi-National Adaptive Management Work Plan.

10. Other Business

- a) Grey Sauble Conservation Foundation Minutes – May 9th, 2012
- b) Drinking Water Source Protection Report – nothing at this time
- c) Staff Minutes – not available at this time
- d) Next Meeting – September 12th, 2012, at 1:15 p.m.
- e) Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors

Michael Martin advised that the Council of the Town of the Blue Mountains would like two representatives on the Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Board of Directors due to the population of the Town both seasonally and full time. None of the present Board of Directors had any objection. Michael will advise his Council that the present Board of Directors has no objections to a second member from the Town of The Blue Mountains to sit as a Director on the Grey Sauble Conservation Full Authority Board. The key aspect is that all other municipalities have no objection to a 2nd appointment. It is possible that the Town of South Bruce Peninsula would also qualify.

11. Adjournment

On motion by Ross Herron, the meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Dick Hibma, Chairman

Doreen Robinson, Administrative Assistant

