



HIGHLIGHTS

of the NVCA BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS
No. 02-16, February 26, 2016

NVCA 2016 Budget Approved

The board of directors approved the authority's 2016 budget at \$4,990,861. The 2016 budget is \$113,620 higher than 2015. Of the increase, \$64,303 came from a 3% increase in the municipal levy. The levy accounts for 42% of the approved budget; the remainder comes from government grants, uses fees, donations and interest income.

The budget is available on the NVCA [website](#) under About → Plans, Annual Reports & Financials.

NVCA staff to prepare a Phragmites Action Plan

Phragmites australis is an [invasive species](#) that is taking over much of Ontario's shorelines and wetlands. Staff will prepare a report for the May 27, 2016, board meeting which will include an NVCA Action Plan regarding the control of this invasive species.

In brief

During this meeting, the board also:

- approved the purchase of tree seedlings required to meet the needs of the 2016 Tree Planting Program. More than 200,000 trees will be planted by the authority in 2016, with funding coming from partners and participating landowners (municipal levy is not used to purchase tree seedlings).
- approved the list of 2016 monthly board education presentations.
- received presentations from:
 - Mr. Riley Mulligan, geologist with the Ontario Geological Survey regarding the Ontario Geological Survey Central Simcoe 3-D Geological Project.
 - concerned citizens in Adjala-Tosorontio regarding a proposed gravel pit on part lots 6 and 7, Concession 4, Adjala-Tosorontio.

For more information

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For the full meeting agenda including documents and reports, visit the NVCA website at nvca.on.ca/about/boardofdirectors.

Future meetings & events

March Break Monday Children's Program

Monday, March 14
10:00 am – 3:00 pm
Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

NVCA Board of Directors Meeting

Friday, March 18
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
Essa Township Administration Centre,
5786 County Road 21

Spring Tonic Maple Syrup Festival

Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

Caring for your Horse and Farm Workshop

Saturday, April 16
10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Utopia Hall, 8396 6th Line, Utopia

Evening of Thanks Awards Celebration

Thursday, April 28
5:00 – 6:30 p.m.
Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia
RSVP requested

Arbour Day Tree Sale

Saturday, May 14
8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Nordic Centre, Wasaga Beach (co-
hosted by the Ganaraska Hiking Club of
Wasaga Beach)

There are many **volunteer tree planting events** happening across the watershed this spring. Please visit nvca.on.ca and look under About → Careers & Volunteers for a full listing.