

NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



MINUTES OF THE GENERAL BOARD MEETING

Thursday, April 14, 2022

Via MS Teams

Commenced: 4:35 p.m.

Adjourned: 6:01 p.m.

PRESENT: Steve Kaufman
Jennifer Davidson
Mike Jakubo
Joscelyne Landry-Altmann
Geoff McCausland

ALSO PRESENT: Madison Keegans, Source Protection Program Manager
Melanie Venne, Staff
Carl Jorgensen, GM/ Secretary-Treasurer

REGRETS: Lin Gibson
Bill Leduc

1. Chair Kaufman called the meeting to order. He thanks Vice-Chair Davidson for leading the March meeting in his absence. This week there was a Conservation Ontario board meeting, during which they thanked Member Gibson for her many years of dedication to the Conservation Ontario board upon which she served several terms as Vice-Chair.
2. No declarations of conflict were made.
3. Adoption of Agenda/Addition to Agenda

Resolution 2022-33

Jakubo - Landry-Atlmann

That the agenda of the April 14, 2022 General Board Meeting be adopted as circulated.

Carried.

4. Previous Meeting Minutes

a) Adoption of Minutes of March 10, 2022

Resolution 2022-34

Davidson – Landry-Altmann

That the minutes of the March 10, 2022 General Board Meeting, as circulated and reviewed, are approved.

Carried.

b) Business Arising from the Minutes of March 10, 2022

Carl mentioned that the Work from Home Policy was approved during the March board meeting, but has not yet implemented as guidance from Public Health Sudbury & Districts indicates that COVID-19 is still circulating in the community and to maintain as many health guidelines as possible.

5. Source Protection Authority

Resolution 2022-35

Jakubo - Davidson

That we now leave the meeting of the General Board of the NDCA and commence a meeting of the Sudbury Source Protection Authority at 4:49 p.m.

Carried.

Madison Keegans led a short Source Protection Authority meeting and provided updates on the Source Protection Program and the annual report.

6. General Business

a) Permission under Section 28/29 Report

Resolution 2022-36

Landry-Altman - Davidson

That the report for permits issued under Sections 28 and 29 of the Conservation Authorities Act during the month of March 2022 is received.

Carried.

b) General Board Composition Discussion

Carl Jorgensen provided an overview of the staff report distributed for this agenda item. As part of changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act*, an authority's board composition is required to have at least 70% of elected members of municipal council, unless the municipalities request an exception from the Minister.

The staff report provided various options of Board composition that would satisfy the 70% requirement and other options that have higher numbers of non-elected positions (i.e., citizen appointments). The topic was discussed at length and each member attending favoured Option 10 that would have City Council appoint four of

its elected members along with three residents of Greater Sudbury for a total of seven. To pursue this option that yields a 57% result, the item will need to be brought forward to City of Greater Sudbury council that will then make the decision to ask the Minister for an exception. Members Jakubo and Landry-Altman indicated that they would sponsor the request at Council on behalf of the Members of the Authority.

Resolution 2022-37

McCausland - Jakubo

That the staff report, "Changes to Section 14 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, regarding Board Composition" dated April 7, 2022" is received, and further

That the Secretary – Treasurer is directed to inform the Clerk of the City of Greater Sudbury that, in the opinion of the Members that option 10 from the staff report has been selected, and further

That given the above, one or more of the Members who are elected members of City Council will then bring this item forward to the May 10, 2022 meeting of Council with a resolution that informs the Minister of Council's wishes based on the recommendation of the Authority.

Carried.

7. In-Camera

Resolution 2022-38

Gibson - McCausland

That we go in-camera at 5:38 p.m.

Carried.

The Board exited their in-camera session at 5:58 p.m. There were no forthcoming resolutions however direction was provided to staff on a property matter.

8. Adjournment

Resolution 2022-39

Davidson - Jakubo

That we do now adjourn.

Carried.