

# NICKEL DISTRICT CONSERVATION AUTHORITY



## MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

**Thursday May 8, 2024**

Via MS Teams

Commenced: 4:32 p.m.

Adjourned: 5:51 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Jennifer Davidson, Chair  
Steve Kaufman, Vice-chair  
Fern Cormier  
Jocelyne Landry-Altmann  
Bill Leduc  
Pauline Fortin

REGRETS; (vacant)

ALSO PRESENT: Carl Jorgensen, GM, Secretary-Treasurer  
Melanie Venne, Staff

1. Chair Davidson opened the meeting.
2. No declarations of conflict of interest were made.
3. Adoption of Agenda/Addition to Agenda

**Resolution 2024-38**

**Leduc – Landry-Altmann**

*That the agenda of the May 8, 2024, General Board Meeting be adopted as circulated.*

**Carried.**

4. Previous Meeting Minutes
  - a) Adoption of Minutes of April 10, 2024

**Resolution 2024-39**

**Kaufman – Cormier**

*That the minutes of the April 10, 2024 Annual General Meeting, as circulated and reviewed, are approved.*

**Carried.**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. In-Camera

**Resolution 2024-40**

**Leduc - Fortin**

*That we go in-camera at 4:33 p.m.*

**Carried.**

A legal matter and a property matter were discussed. The Members concluded the in-camera session at 5:02 PM. Direction to staff was provided regarding a property matter.

6. General Business

a) Investment Update

Gil Cuilini, Portfolio Manager, RBC Dominion Securities Inc., provided his annual presentation, including the results of the past few years, the current investment mix, and a general report card on current markets. The Members asked for a copy of his slide deck to be circulated after the meeting.

b) Financial Report

Carl provided information on the financial report for the first four months of 2024. He detailed some specific items of interest. The board had questions as it related to the capital works projects and anticipated future projects and their costs.

**Resolution 2024-41**

**Kaufman – Landry-Atlmann**

*That the staff report entitled January to April 2024 Unaudited Financial Report is received for information.*

**Carried.**

c) Permissions Under Section 28/29

**Resolution 2024-42**

**Fortin – Cormier**

*That the report for permits issued under Sections 28 and Section 29 of the Conservation Authorities Act during the months of April 2024 is received.*

**Carried.**

d) Appointment of a Provincial Offences Officer

Alice Newton was hired in August 2023, and recently completed her training to become a provincial offenses officer. This appointment by the Members is the final step in her designation.

**Resolution 2024-43**

**Landry-Atlmann – Leduc**

*Given that Alice Newton has successfully completed the required Level 1 training, and*

*That a clean criminal background check has been received from the Greater Sudbury Police Service, therefore,*

*Be it resolved that Alice Newton is appointed as Provincial Offences Officer in accordance with section 30.1 of the Conservation Authorities Act.*

**Carried.**

e) Resignation of a Board Member

Member Labbée resigned from General Board on April 22. Chair Davidson responded and thanked her for her service to the board. Re-appointment of a new member will occur at the City of Greater Sudbury council meeting upcoming on May 14.

The meetings over the past year have been held on the second Wednesday of the month. It was discussed and agreed up to move the meetings back to the second Thursday of the month.

7. New Business

Member Leduc noted that many in the community are not aware of the Ponderosa Wetland that is surrounded by built-up areas of the former City. He asked that staff investigate adding a sign (or signs) providing information about the wetland and perhaps a bench along the Rotary Trail. GM Carl indicated that he'd reach out to Rotary and the Junction Creek Stewardship Committee in this regard.

8. Adjournment

**Resolution 2024-44**

**Cormier - Kaufman**

*That we do now adjourn at 5:51 PM.*

**Carried.**