Maitland Valley Conservation Authority

Minutes

Working for a Healthy Environment!

General Membership Meeting #10/18

December 19, 2018

Location: Administration Centre, Wroxeter

Member's Present: Jim Campbell, David Turton, Roger Watt, Art Versteeg, Deb

Shewfelt, Alison Lobb, Matt Duncan, Bob Burtenshaw, Zoey Onn,

Kevin Frieburger, Ed McGugan

Staff Present: Phil Beard, General Manager-Secretary-Treasurer

Danielle Livingston, Admin-Financial Services Coordinator

Geoff King, Stewardship Services Coordinator Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Coordinator Stephen Jackson, Flood/Erosion Safety Coordinator

Community Attendees: Shawn Jankura, Bob Illman, Dennis Dosman, Rick and Roxanne

Lashbrook, Jenny Versteeg

1. Call to Order:

Chair Jim Campbell called the meeting to order at 6:58 pm.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest:

There were no pecuniary interests declared at this time.



3. Minutes:

The minutes from the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) General Membership Meeting #9/18 held on November 28, 2018 have been circulated for information and approval. The Member's agreed with the minutes and the following motion was made.

Motion FA #111/18

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

That the minutes from the General Membership meeting #9/18 held on November 28, 2018 be approved.

(carried)

4. Presentations:

a) Gorrie Dam Study: Brian Greck, Greck and Associates Ltd.

Following this presentation, Chair Campbell asked the members if the MVCA should offer to authorize Mr. Greck to make a presentation on this report to the Township of Howick Council for their consideration and feedback.

This motion followed.

Motion FA #112/18

Moved by: Deb Shewfelt

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Dave Turton

THAT the MVCA offer for Greck and Associates Ltd. to present this report to the Township of Howick; and that MVCA cover the cost of the presentation.

(carried)

5. Business Out of the Minutes:

a) 2019 Annual Meeting Report: Report #70/18

Report #70/18 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #113/18

Moved by: Alison Lobb

That the 2019 annual meeting be held on Wednesday, February 13, 2019 at 1:00pm at the Wroxeter Hall with a snow date of Wednesday, February 20, 2019 with a luncheon to be held prior to the meeting.

(carried)

6. Business Requiring Direction or Decision:

a) 2019 Draft Budget/Work Plan: Report #71/18

Report #71/18 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #114/18

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Zoey Onn

Seconded by: Dave Turton

That the draft budget, work plan and levy be circulated to member municipalities for review, and that the final work plan and budget be brought back to the members on March 20, 2019 for final review and approval.

(carried)

b) 2019 Municipal Information Package: Report #72/18

Report #72/18 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #115/18

Moved by: Roger Watt

Seconded by: Dave Turton

That the information package be sent with the draft 2019 budget and levy information to member municipalities as outlined in Report #72/18.

(carried)

c) Members Manual Review/Update: Report #73/18

Report #73/18 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #116/18

Moved by: Art Versteeg Seconded by: Alison Lobb

That the revisions to the Members Manual be approved as outlined in Report #73/18.

(carried)

d) First Call: Declarations for Chair, Vice and 2nd Vice Chair: Report #74/18

After the review of Report #74/18, the following member's stated their interest in these positions.

Dave Turton declared his interest to run for Chair, Roger Watt declared interest to run for 1st Vice, and Deb Shewfelt declared interest to run for 2nd Vice. No other declarations were made.

7. Reports:

a) Chair's Report

Chair Campbell reflected on his enjoyable visits to the WNC (Wawanosh Nature Centre) and said that it was so nice to see the boardwalk and trail system being used by so many.

Jim advised that further encouragement is required at Conservation Ontario to change their Bylaw so that GM's and CAO's couldn't be appointed as Voting Delegates or Alternates on Conservation Ontario Council. Jim also advised that quarterly meetings could be reduced to two meetings annually as there is rarely any business that requires discussion or decision other than the work plan and budget.

b) Member's Reports

Deb Shewfelt informed the Members that he and Phil Beard met with MPP Lisa Thompson to discuss the Provincial freeze on the funds that MVCA is supposed to receive from MECP and MNRF for the Garvey Glen Priority Watershed Project in 2018. Deb also discussed the shortfall in Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure funding and the need for a Provincial Flood/Erosion Damage Reduction Program.

Deb also advised the Members that the Carbon Footprint Initiative leaders met with Dianne Saxe, the Environmental Commissioner for Ontario to discuss the recommendations in the Environmental Commissioner's latest report entitled "Climate Action in Ontario: What's Next?" A follow up meeting is planned with the MPP's for Huron-Bruce and Perth-Wellington.

8. Consent Agenda:

The following items were circulated to the Member's for their information.

a) Revenue/Expenditure Report November Report #75/18

- b) Appointment of Regulations Officer: Report #76/18
- c) Conservation Ontario Council Mtg. Summary: Report #77/18
- d) Correspondence for Members Information

The following motion was made.

Motion FA #117/18

Moved by: Art Versteeg Seconded by: Dave Turton

THAT reports #75/18 through #77/18 along with their respective recommended motions and correspondence as outlined in the Consent Agenda be accepted as presented.

(carried)

9. In-camera Session:

Motion FA #118/18

Moved by: Dave Turton Seconded by: Roger Watt

THAT the Member's move in camera to review the performance of the GM/ST in 2018.

(carried)

All attendees except the Members and the Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator were excused from the meeting at this time.

The following motion was made at the in-camera session.

Motion FA #119/18

Moved by: Alison Lobb Seconded by: Roger Watt

THAT the Member's resume regular session.

(carried)

Attendees that were excused from the closed session were invited back to regular session.

10. Review of Meeting Objectives:

Chair Campbell reviewed the meeting objectives and announced that they have been met.

11. Next Meeting Date:

The next meeting of the membership will take place on January 23, 2019 at 7:00pm at the Administration Centre in Wroxeter.

12. Adjournment:

The meeting adjourned at 9:07pm with this motion.

Motion FA #121/18

Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Zoey Onn

THAT the general membership meeting be adjourned.

carried)

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Chair

Danielle Livingston Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator