

Membership Meeting #8-2025

October 15, 2025

Members Present: Alison Lobb, Ed McGugan, Alvin McLellan, Megan Gibson, Andrew Fournier, Matt Duncan, Anita Van Hittersum, Evan Hickey, Ed Podniewicz, Vanessa Kelly, Sharen Zinn, Vanessa Kelly

Staff Present: Phil Beard, General Manager-Secretary-Treasurer
Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator
Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Services Coordinator
Patrick Huber-Kidby, Planning and Regulations Supervisor
Jason Moir, FRCA Parks Superintendent
Sarah Gunnewiek, Water Resources Engineer
Jeff Winzenried, Flood Forecasting Supervisor
Michelle Quipp, Executive Assistant

Others Present: Cory Bileya, Midwestern News Media
Irving Payne, Hearing Applicant
Brad Bowden, KB Shoring Inc.
Kris Bedard, KB Shoring Inc.
Annalies Hamers, Gorrie Conservation Area Delegate
Sonya Graham, Gorrie Conservation Area Delegate
Sherri Govier, Wananosh Campground Delegate
Cheryl Govier, Wananosh Campground Delegate
Sherry Snell, Wananosh Campground Delegate
Pam Stewart, Wananosh Campground Delegate

1. Call to Order

Chair, Ed McGugan, welcomed everyone and called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no pecuniary interests at this time.

3. Minutes

Motion FA #97-25

Moved by: Megan Gibson Seconded by: Alison Lobb

THAT the minutes from the General Membership Meeting #7-2025 held on September 17, 2025, be approved.

(carried)

4. Hearing #1-2025-Section 28 Conservation Authorities Act: Mr. Payne

Motion FA #98-25

Moved by: Alvin McLellan Seconded by: Evan Hickey

THAT the meeting will start sitting as a hearing board.

(carried)

A staff report by Patrick Huber-Kidby was presented to the members. Kriss and Irving Pyane presented material to the members.

Motion FA #99-25

Moved by: Evan Hickey Seconded by: Vanessa Kelly

THAT the meeting is moved into a closed session at 8:03pm.

(carried)

Motion FA #100-25

Moved by: Megan Gibson Seconded by: Evan Hickey

THAT the meeting be moved into an open session at 8:24 pm.

(carried)

Motion FA #101-25

Moved by: Evan Hickey Seconded by: Sharen Zinn

To defer to obtain additional information.

(carried)

Motion FA #102-25

Moved by: Alvin McLellan Seconded by: Alison Lobb

THAT the meeting will adjourn sitting as a hearing board 8:28pm.

(carried)

5. Delegations

- a) Gorrie Conservation Area – 8:30

A presentation by Annalies Hamers and Sonya Graham was presented to the members. The Delegation would like to see the Township of Howick assume responsibility for the Gorrie Conservation Area.

b) Wawanosh Campground

A presentation by Sherri Govier and Sherry Snell was presented to the members. The Wawanosh seasonal campers would like the campground to remain open.

Requests from both delegations to be discussed at the November 19, 2025 meeting.

6. Business out of the Minutes

a) Wawanosh Campground

Motion FA #103-25

Moved by: Ed Podniewicz Seconded by: Sharen Zinn

To defer until the next members meeting.

(carried)

7. Business Requiring Direction and or a Decision:

a) 2026-2028 Priorities and Budget Forecast: Report #60-2025

Report #60a-2025 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #104-25

Moved by: Alvin McLellan Seconded by: Matt Duncan

THAT the priorities identified for 2026-2028 as outlined in Report #60a-2025 be approved for planning purposes and used to guide the development of the 2026 work plan.

(carried)

Report #60b-2025 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #105-25

Moved by: Evan Hickey Seconded by: Matt Duncan

THAT the 2026-2028 financial forecast be accepted with the addition of a proposed cost apportionment increase of \$154,481 for 2028 for planning purposes;

AND THAT the 2026 draft budget includes a proposed cost apportionment increase of \$175,000; AND FURTHER THAT the amount of the approved cost apportionment allocated for projects be increased by \$10,000 per year over the next three years.

(carried)

b) Review of Fees Policy: Report #61-2025

Report #61-2025 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #106-25

Moved by: Megan Gibson **Seconded by: Alvin McLellan**

THAT the Fees Policy be approved for 2026.

(carried)

c) Review of Proposed Fee Changes for 2026: Report #62-2025

Report #62-2025 was presented and the following motion was made:

Motion FA #107-25

Moved by: Ed Podniewicz **Seconded by: Alison Lobb**

THAT the proposed fee changes be posted for review and comment and that comments be reviewed at the November 19, 2025 meeting.

(carried)

8. Presentation on Flood Forecasting System: Jeff Winzenried & Sarah Gunnewiek

A presentation by Jeff Winzenried and Sarah Gunnewiek was made to the members about the flood forecasting system and MVCA's responsibilities.

Motion FA #108-25

Moved by: Evan Hickey **Seconded by: Megan Gibson**

THAT the presentation is accepted as presented.

(carried)

9. Chair and Member Reports

No Chair or Member reports.

10. Consent Agenda

The following items were circulated to the Members for their information:

- a) Revenue/Expenditure Report for September: Report #63-2025
- b) Agreements Signed: Report #64-2025

Motion FA #109-25

Moved by: Alvin McLellan

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

THAT Report #63-2025 to Report #64-2025 along with the respective motions as outlined in those reports be approved.

(carried)

11. Adjournment

Next Meeting Date, Wednesday, November 19, 2025, at 7:00pm at the Administration Centre in Wroxeter.

Motion FA #110-25

Moved by: Megan Gibson

Seconded by: Vanessa Kelly

THAT the Members Meeting be adjourned at 9:50pm.

(carried)



Ed McGugan
Chair



Phil Beard
General Manager / Secretary-Treasurer