

Cameron spoke on behalf of the Rideau Ferry Yacht Club which donated the property to RVCA in 1978. Staff has developed a draft agreement to allow the demonstration to go ahead on a trial basis in 2007 subject to several conditions regarding use of the public land. The Board wants a full report including advice from RVCA lawyers, treatment received by other groups requesting similar privileges, and any reactions from lake associations, neighbours and municipalities. Consensus was that the show can go forward in 2007 with prudent due diligence being applied by staff in regards to protection of the public interest.

Motion 2 **Moved by:** Janet Stavinga
Seconded by: Michael McEwen

That the RVCA Board of Directors approve an Antique/Vintage Race Boat Regatta and Show at the Rideau Ferry Yacht Club Conservation Area in 2007 subject to the negotiation of a mutually satisfactory agreement being in place to address the details and responsibilities such as insurance, roles of each party, disbursements of any profits, etc. before November 30, 2006.

Motion Carried

Motion 3 **Moved by:** Ken Graham
Seconded by: Michael McEwen

That the Board of Directors receive the report from the Upper Advisory Board and that the RVCA Upper Advisory Board Minutes of October 16, 2006 be received.

Motion Carried

b) RVCA Middle Advisory Board Meeting, October 18, 2006

Cathy Willoughby reported on the Middle Advisory Board meeting.

Motion 4 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
Seconded by: David Biggs

That the RVCA Middle Advisory Board Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2006 be received.

Motion Carried

c) Conservation Ontario, October 23, 2006

John Miller reported on the main items of the meeting including the standard term of appointment, job evaluations for CO staff, the new

formula for 2007 levy apportionment and an update on the Latornell Conference in November.

5. **Accounts Paid, September 1 - 30, 2006**

Dell Hallett presented the Accounts Paid for September and clarified several entries.

Motion 5 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
 Seconded by: Alan Arbuckle

That the Accounts Paid, September 1 - 30, 2006 be approved.

Motion Carried

6. **Staff Report – Expenditures and Revenue Summary (9 month review)**

Dell Hallett apologized for the short review time given to Board members. A modest operating and common cost deficit will likely be offset by a surplus in the employee leave account. Following a thorough discussion, the Board expects that, on balance, RVCA will end the year in a breakeven or even a slight surplus position.

The Board questioned all areas of the Expenditure and Revenue Summary including the expected increase in spending in Aquatic Habitat Monitoring, the need for and the health of RVCA contingency funds, the Clean Water Program numbers, and the revenue shortfalls in Planning and Regulatory Advisory Services. These shortfalls are based largely on the cost of reviewing plans which often exceeds the revenues generated by that function. The Board discussed ways of relieving this situation while still blending as much as possible with our neighbouring CAs.

Motion 6 **Moved by:** Janet Stavinga
 Seconded by: Allan McCallum

That the RVCA Board of Directors direct staff to review the fees associated with the development review and approvals process in order to explore options to achieve cost recovery that can be considered by the Board during the 2007 budget deliberations.

Motion Carried

7. **Staff Report – Haggart Island Dams – Safety Buoy Line - Update**

Bruce Reid reported on his meeting with Transport Canada regarding the safety buoy lines at the Haggart Island Dams as directed by the Board at its August meeting. Transport Canada

commends RVCA for putting in the safety buoys and offers no reason to remove them now. There are followup consultations going on with legal advisers and we are also waiting to hear the reconstruction intentions of the Town of Perth. They will be removed before ice-up this winter. Before re-installation next spring, and pending advice from our lawyers and the Town, a letter will be sent to all neighbours outlining Transport Canada's position and indicating a willingness to accommodate, as best we can, the concerns of the neighbours by a modest movement of the buoys to a less intrusive placement nearer the dam.

Motion 7 **Moved by:** Cathy Willoughby
 Seconded by: Dwight Bennett

That the Board receive this report, and that a further report on the matter be brought forward to the Board prior to redeployment of the safety buoy line in spring, 2007.

Motion Carried

8. October Activity Reports

Janet, Alan and Magda will plan on attending the Open House scheduled for November 9, 7:15 at South Carleton High School for the Draft Management Plan for the Richmond Conservation Area and Jock River Corridor.

9. Member Inquiries

Cliff reported on progress towards the new office. The seven agreements needing signature before construction have all been received and most items are resolved.

Motion 8 **Moved by:** Wendy Stewart
 Seconded by: Alan Arbuckle

That the Board of Directors authorize the Chairman and General Manager to finalize the negotiations and execute all required Agreements with the City regarding the new headquarters in Beryl Gaffney Park.

Motion Carried

Motion 9 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
 Seconded by: Alan Arbuckle

That the Board of Directors delegate authority to the Office Committee to award contracts to the Sub Trades, within the approved budget,

based on review and recommendations from staff, the Architect, the Construction Manager and the City.

Motion Carried

Wendy Stewart brought forward an unusual cottage development situation in the Upper Board area wondering if RVCA has recourse to protect the lake. Don Maciver will draft a letter of concern to the municipality from the Board seeking clarification on the approval situation, seeking assurances that the lake environment is not at risk, and identifying an obvious gap in the planning review process that would allow this situation to arise.

Motion 10 **Moved by:** Allan McCallum
 Seconded by: Wendy Stewart

That the RVCA Board of Directors instruct staff to apply the Generic Regulations in a manner that would include a buffer of 15 metres around all watercourses and tributaries in the Upper Advisory Board area.

Motion Deferred

The intent is to harmonize to some extent with Generic Regulation programs in neighbouring CAs and give the planners some concrete enforceable details to work with instead of only providing “comments”.

Motion 11 **Moved by:** Janet Stavinga
 Seconded by: Dwight Bennett

That Motion 10 be referred to staff for review and preparation of a Staff Report for the November Board of Directors meeting that will provide clarity on the ramifications including timelines, strategy implications, cost, alternatives, and methodology related to the intent of the Motion.

Motion Carried

Concern was expressed by Directors on the procedures used when they entertain a “delegation” or spokespeople for particular interest groups. There is consensus that staff will research and develop a short procedural guideline for use at future Board meetings.

Janet Stavinga sent thanks to Brian Stratton and Sommer Casgrain-Robertson for their helpful work and public explanations of Wellhead Protection Work and the Source Water Protection program to citizens in the Goulbourn area. Their information was well-received and helped in continuing and building the dialogue in the area.

10. New Business - none

11. Upcoming Meetings

- a) A. D. Latornell Conservation Symposium, November 15, 16 & 17, 2006
- b) Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation, November 20, 2006
- c) Board of Directors, Thursday, November 23, 2006

12. Adjournment The Chair adjourned the meeting at 10:30 pm.

**Chair,
John Miller**

**Recording Secretary,
Charles Billington**

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