

That the RVCA Upper Advisory Board meet during the day, with a 1:30 p.m. starting time.

Motion Carried

8. Making It Happen, RVCA Work Plan

Dell Hallett presented the workplan including a discussion on various programs including goals and objectives for each program. The workplan for 2007 will focus on continuation of work started in previous years. Some major activities include: source water protection, water characterization report and the water budget. Over 1200 applications were reviewed by planning and regulations staff. The RVCA is the septic approval authority for the City of Ottawa and Tay Valley Township. Stewardship Services manage the Clean Water Program and also planted 145,000 trees including RVCA's three millionth tree. The progress of the new office and site preparation were also discussed.

David Crowley asked if there was any development activity on Curtis property. Jim Ellis replied that some signage was installed on site.

Bruce Reid provided an overview of the Watershed Information System and the data collected within the watershed by RVCA staff. Mr. Reid's presentation outlined various datasets including: data water quality, benthic invertebrates, water quantity, base flow monitoring, ground water monitoring, and stream assessments. His presentation is attached to the minutes.

David Crowley noted that Citizens in the Mississippi watershed organized a day to collect water temperature throughout various locations in the watershed.

John Miller inquired if the data collected by Queens University is being utilized by RVCA. Bruce Reid mentioned that there have been several meetings between RVCA and Queens and that future data will be shared and should benefit both organizations

9. Staff Report – RVCA 2007 Budget

Dell Hallett reviewed the budget that was forwarded in the package to Board members. He discussed the recommendation from the board for a further 2% savings in the 2007 levy. Mr. Hallett explained the increase and decrease of the cost of operating various programs.

Motion 9	Moved by:	David Crowley
	Seconded by:	Robert Dunfeild

That, the RVCA 2007 Budget be received by the Board.

Motion Carried

10. RVCA New Office Headquarters

Dell Hallett briefly discussed the progress of the new office which is to be completed by October of 2007.

David Crowley inquired if the building could accommodate some expansion for additional staff. Dell Hallett responded that that the office could provide room for some future growth.

