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MINUTES

Board of Directors

March 27, 2008

3/08

Present: Dwight Bennett David Biggs
David Crowley Ken Graham
Magda Kubasiewicz John H. Miller
Cathy Willoughby

Staff: Charles Billington Terry Davidson
Kristy Giles Dell Hallett
Jennifer Lamoureux Don Maciver
Bruce Reid

Regrets: Alan Arbuckle Glenn Brooks
Steve Desroches Michael McEwen
Maria McRae

1. **Declaration of Interest** None.

2. **Consent Agenda**

Motion 1 **Moved by:** David Crowley
Seconded by: John H. Miller

That Agenda items #3, #4 and #10 be carried on consent.

Motion Carried

3. **Approval of Minutes, February 21, 2008**

Carried on consent.

4. **Business Arising from Minutes** None.

5. **Meetings**

a) RVCA Joint Advisory Board Meeting, February 28, 2008

Ken Graham reviewed the business achieved at the meeting

Motion 2 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
Seconded by: David Crowley

That the report be received.

Motion Carried

b) RVC Foundation Meeting, March 17, 2008
Charles reviewed the motions and discussions of the meeting.

Motion 3 **Moved by:** John H. Miller
 Seconded by: David Biggs

That the verbal report be received.

Motion Carried

c) Conservation Ontario Council Meeting, March 3, 2008
Dell reviewed the business of the CO Council Meeting.

Motion 4 **Moved by:** Magda Kubasiewicz
 Seconded by: Cathy Willoughby

That the verbal report be received.

Motion Carried

6. Accounts Paid, February 1 – 29, 2008

Dell Hallett answered Directors' questions on the Accounts Paid for February, 2008.

Motion 5 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
 Seconded by: David Biggs

That the Accounts Paid, February 1 - 29, 2008, be approved.

Motion Carried

7. Staff Report – Ottawa Septic System Office Fee Schedule - 2008

Terry Davidson reviewed the Staff Report and identified the need for adjusting the Ottawa Septic System Office Fee Schedule for 2008.

Motion 6 **Moved by:** John H. Miller
 Seconded by: David Crowley

That the Ottawa Septic System Office - 2008 Fee Schedule be increased to reflect the rising cost of business according to the schedule presented in the Report.

Motion Carried

8. **Staff Report – Eastern Conservation Authorities Fish and Fish Habitat Review Guidelines Draft 2008**

Jennifer Lamoureux presented the Staff Report on this topic and answered many questions regarding RVCA responsibilities.

Motion 7 **Moved by:** David Crowley
Seconded by: Magda Kubasiewicz

That staff implement the Draft “Eastern Conservation Authorities Fish and Fish Habitat Review Guideline” for a full year and that staff report back to the Board on implementation issues and modifications before the Summer '09 in or near water works construction period.

Motion Carried

9. **Staff Report – Considerations associated with permission under Ontario Regulation 174/06 for watercourses to be designated as municipal drains under the Drainage Act**

Don Maciver presented the Staff Report.

Motion 8 **Moved by:** David Biggs
Seconded by: John H. Miller

That the report be received for information.

Motion Carried

10. **March Activity Reports**

Carried on consent.

11. **In-Camera**

Motion 9 **Moved by:** Cathy Willoughby
Seconded by: David Crowley

That the Board of Directors move in-camera.

Motion Carried

Motion 10 **Moved by:** Cathy Willoughby
Seconded by: David Crowley

That the Board of Directors move out of camera.

Motion Carried

Motion 11 **Moved by:** David Crowley
Seconded by: Dwight Bennett

That the Board of Directors encourage, and support the Rideau Valley Conservation Foundation in its efforts to acquire the parcel of land as a donation according to the terms specified.

Motion Carried

12. Member Inquiries

- World Canal Conference in September

Motion 12 **Moved by:** Dwight Bennett
Seconded by: John H. Miller

That David Crowley register, for the World Canal Conference to be held in Kingston in September, 2008 as a representative of the RVCA.

Motion Carried

- Next year is the 175th of the Tay Canal; a Town of Perth committee has been struck to coordinate programming
- The 2008 spring flood potential was discussed; staff now in the daily planning cycle; high water equivalent in heavy snowpack; possibility of major to severe flooding if precipitation and high temperatures coincide
- Directors pleased to hear of Childrens Water Festival at Foley Mountain Conservation Area this fall; Friends of the Tay Watershed have modest funds to assist with bussing

13. New Business

- New Membership Directory, photocopy of 2007 Annual Report (awaiting final financials) and latest Flood Advisory message distributed
- A retirement party for Cliff Craig is planned for Thursday, May 1 (informal barbecue, 4:30 – 8 pm at the Conservation Centre)
- The RVCA 2008 Meeting Schedule has now been modified; Upper Advisory Board meeting of October 20 is now scheduled for Saturday October 18 at the Meisel Woods Conservation Area to celebrate the opening of the new bridge and trail system
- A “Neighbours Open House” for the Rideau Valley Conservation Centre is planned for Thursday, April 24, from 5 – 7 pm in advance of the Board of Directors meeting that evening; mini-Official Opening with displays, refreshments, speech from Alan

14. Upcoming Meetings

- a) **RVCA Middle Advisory Board Meeting, Wednesday, April 16, 2008**
- b) **RVCA Upper Advisory Board Meeting, Monday, April 21**

- c) RVCFoundation Board of Directors, Monday, April 21
- d) RVCA Board of Directors, Thursday, April 24, 2008

15. **Adjournment** The Chair adjourned the meeting at 3:15 pm.

Alan Arbuckle
Chair

Charles Billington
Recording Secretary

C:Board of Directors Minutes March 27 2008 Approved