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APPROVED MINUTES

Board of Directors

November 26, 2009

10/09

Present: Alan Arbuckle David Crowley
Ken Graham Ed Hand
Andy Jozefowicz Michael McEwen
John H. Miller

Guests: Barclay Cormack, North Grenville Representative to the
Middle Advisory Board
Larry O'Grady, Montague Representative to the
Middle Advisory Board

Staff: Diane Downey Dell Hallett
Don Maciver Bruce Reid
Brian Stratton

Regrets: Glenn Brooks Steve Desroches
Clive Doucet Maria McRae

1. **Declaration of Interest** None.

2. **Consent Agenda**

Motion 1 **Moved by:** Ken Graham
Seconded by: Andy Jozefowicz

That Agenda items 3, 6, 8 and 12 be approved by consent of the
Directors.

Motion Carried

3. **Approval of Minutes, October 22, 2009**

The minutes of Board of Directors Meeting, #9/09, October 22, 2009, are
approved by consent.

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

5. **Meetings**

- a) *Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee, November 5, 2009*

Alan attended the meeting. He commented that the information presented at the November 5 meeting was very similar to the staff report presentation by Sommer Casgrain-Robertson at the Source Protection Authority Meeting that was held earlier in the evening. Sommer presented information highlighting the draft results of the threats and issues for the six municipal groundwater systems in the Rideau watershed and the potential drinking water issues outside the municipal wellhead protection areas.

- b) *RVC Foundation, Monday, November 16, 2009*

Dell reported that the Foundation Meeting was cancelled.

- c) *A.D. Latornell Symposium, November 18-20, 2009*

John H. Miller reported that he attended another successful Latornell Symposium along with over 1,000 delegates. This year's theme was "The Currency of Ecology." This event remains one of the largest environmental conferences in Ontario and is an excellent opportunity for members and staff to network and learn.

- d) *Municipal Presentations*

Alan Arbuckle reported that he and Dell recently visited two more watershed municipalities:

- Monday, November 23 — Central Frontenac
- Tuesday, November 24 — Elizabethtown-Kitley

6. **Accounts Paid, October 1 – 31, 2009**

Accounts Paid, October 1 – 31, 2009 are approved by consent.

7. **Staff Report – RVCA 2010 Meeting Schedule**

The Board received an updated meeting schedule and some discussion took place regarding the best night for Advisory Board meetings. The group decided the meeting schedule would be updated with Advisory Board meetings on Thursday, January 21, Thursday, April 15 and Thursday, October 20.

Motion 2 **Moved by:** Michael McEwen
Seconded by: Andy Jozefowicz

That the RVCA Board of Directors approve the Draft 2010 Meeting Schedule as amended.

Motion Carried

8. **Staff Report – Local Implementation Policies – Ontario Regulation 174/06 “Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses” in one zone regulatory floodplain**

That the attached proposed policies to amend the RVCA’s “Policies regarding development including the construction / reconstruction of buildings and structures, placing of fill and alterations to waterways” for development within a one-zone regulatory floodplain of a river or stream valley be approved and that this report be released immediately to our member municipalities for comment as well as posted on our web site for public input for a 30 day commenting period.

Motion carried by consent.

9. **Staff Report – Managed Lands and Livestock Density Calculations**

In response to a member inquiry, Brian Stratton confirmed that the funding for this project is covered 100 per cent by provincial funding.

Motion 3 **Moved by:** Andy Jozefowicz
Seconded by: David Crowley

That the RVCA enter into an agreement with the consulting group led by Dillon Consulting Ltd. (Dillon) under which Dillon will conduct the required managed lands and nutrient density calculations within the Mississippi – Rideau Source Protection Region for an amount of \$49,000.

Motion Carried

10. **Staff Report – Report of the Ad hoc Committee on Organizational Structure**

Dell Hallett corrected three errors in the report for the Board to consider.

Ken Graham commented that the City of Ottawa, a major supporter of the RVCA, should have special weight in the voting process should the Board be restructured.

Andy Jozefowicz proposed that more work on the structure of the board be circulated in March or April once the 2010 budget has been finalized.

Motion 4 **Moved by:** David Crowley
 Seconded by: Andy Jozefowicz

That the Board of Directors receive a resolution from the Council of the Municipality of North Grenville (dated November 9, 2009) supporting a “restructuring of the governance structure of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority to allow full municipal representation and voting on the Board of Directors;”

That the Upper and Middle Advisory Boards be combined into one new Conservation Advisory Board for 2010; and further

That the Administration Resolutions dated November 2009 be approved; and further,

That the member municipalities of the RVCA be asked whether they would prefer the current system of shared representation or direct representation for all municipalities on the Board of Directors.

Motion Carried

11. Rideau Corridor Landscape Strategy

Ed Hand attended the last meeting where a new steering committee has been formed for this project to include more municipal representation and the two affected Conservation Authorities.

Future updates to follow.

12. Staff Report – Rideau Lakes Watershed Plan

That copies of the finalized report be distributed to all member municipalities, and government agencies, non-government organizations and individuals who participated in earlier consultation sessions regarding watershed management in the Rideau Lakes portion of the RVCA area of jurisdiction; and that the report be accompanied by a covering letter and attachments designed to invite feedback and to describe the actions that RVCA intends to take in implementing the Report’s recommendations in 2010 and beyond.

Motion carried by consent.

13. Member Inquiries

Dell clarified that there is a small deficit anticipated at year end.

Ken Graham suggested having the Thursday, January 21, 2010 Advisory Board Meeting in Athens. Andy Jozefowicz will look into availability at the municipal hall.

14. New Business

As announced through a recent email, Cathy Willoughby has resigned from the RVCA Board of Directors. Alan indicated that a letter will be sent to Cathy thanking her years of support and involvement on various RVCA boards and subcommittees.

Larry O'Grady, Montague Representative to the Middle Advisory Board, referenced recent events in Rideau Lakes Township where culvert replacement procedures and turnaround times were an issue and since resolved. Don Maciver indicated that an Eastern Ontario committee of Conservation Authority staff is looking to standardize culvert review procedures. More communication will follow.

John Miller announced that work continues on the 2010 Biennial Tour. The organizing committee is currently focusing their efforts on soliciting sponsorship from various businesses. More information will follow as we move towards this September event.

15. Upcoming Meetings

- a) **Mississippi-Rideau Source Protection Committee, Thursday, December 3, 2009**
- b) **Conservation Ontario Council Meeting, Monday, December 7, 2009**
- b) **RVCA Board of Directors, 7 pm, Thursday, December 17, 2009**

16. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:50 pm with a motion from Ken Graham.

Alan Arbuckle
Chair

Diane Downey
Recording Secretary