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Members and the public were also able to join via Zoom given the ongoing pandemic.

APPROVED MINUTES

<u>Board of Directors</u>	<u>6/22</u>	<u>September 22, 2022</u>
Present:	Gerry Boyce Vince Carroll Brian Dowdall Julie Graveline Robin Jones Pieter Leenhouts Dale McLenaghan	Judy Brown Jamie Crawford Bob Foster Victor Heese Andy Jozefowicz John McDougall Scott Moffat
Staff:	Ferdous Ahmed Sommer Casgrain-Robertson Kathy Dallaire Glen McDonald Beth Searle	Tyler Bauman Dan Cooper Terry Davidson Marissa Grondin
Regrets:	Carolyn Bresee Mel Foster Shawn Pankow Anne Robinson Kristin Strackerjan	George Darouze Steve Fournier Gene Richardson Rob Rothgeb

Chair Leenhouts called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer conducted a roll call.

1.0 Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair Leenhouts gave the Land Acknowledgement statement.

2.0 Agenda Review

Chair Leenhouts reviewed the Agenda.

3.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 1-220922

Moved by: Brian Dowdall
Seconded by: Gerry Boyce

THAT the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority adopts the Agenda as circulated.

Motion Carried

4.0 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5.0 Approval of Minutes of July 28, 2022

Motion 2- 220922

Moved by: Andy Jozefowics
Seconded by: Judy Brown

THAT the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority approves the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting #05/22, July 28, 2022, as circulated.

Motion Carried

6.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

Scott Moffat joined the meeting at 6:35 p.m.

7.0 Flood Hazard and Regulation Limits Mapping for Mosquito Creek

Ferdous Ahmed, Senior Water Resource Engineer and Glen McDonald, Director of Science and Planning gave an overview of the flood hazard and regulation limits mapping project for Mosquito Creek, including a summary of comments received and how they were responded to by staff.

In response to a question from a Member, Mr. McDonald explained that the floodplain mapping for Mosquito Creek is taking place now as this area is being incorporated into the urban boundary and was prioritized by the City and the RVCA.

Motion 3-220922

Moved by:

Robin Jones

Seconded by:

Dale McLenaghan

THAT the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority receive the flood mapping report for Mosquito Creek from Mitch Owens Road to the Rideau River (dated November 10, 2021);

THAT the report and associated maps be adopted as the best available information related to establishing flood risk and regulation limits along Mosquito Creek; and

THAT the report and associated maps be used in RVCA's planning advisory and regulatory programs, including the administration of Ontario Regulation 174/06 under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*, and other watershed management activities.

Motion Carried

Vince Carroll joined the meeting at 6:44 p.m.

8.0 MNRF Resumes Administration of Conservation Authorities Act

Sommer Casgrain-Robertson, General Manager presented an update on ministry changes administering the *Conservation Authorities Act*.

In response to questions from Members, Ms. Casgrain-Robertson noted that conservation authorities are waiting to learn if staff within MECP who are responsible for the conservation authority file will transfer to MNRF and retain their responsibilities. She also noted that MECP staff have developed a strong understanding of conservation authorities and it would be beneficial to be able to continue working with them. Ms. Casgrain-Robertson further explained that the conservation authorities have built a strong working relationship with MECP over the past two years through the Minister's working group and hopes that a collaborative working relationship will continue under MNRF.

A Member commented on the new Minister's familiarity with municipalities, his ability to learn quickly, and his reputation for being pleasant to work with.

Motion 4-220922

Moved by:

Victor Heese

Seconded by:

Jamie Crawford

THAT the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority receive this report for information and approve the attached letter to be sent to the Minister of Natural Resources and Forestry.

Motion Carried

9.0 2023 Preliminary Budget Discussion

Sommer Casgrain-Robertson presented 2023 preliminary budget factors and pressures for Board consideration and sought input and feedback from Members.

Following discussion, the Board directed staff to prepare a draft budget reflecting the following:

- A municipal levy increase of 2% plus assessment growth (total of 3.4%)
- Fee schedule increases of approximately 2%
- Request senior management to recommend a proposed cost of living increase to salaries when the draft budget is presented in October.

10.0 Meetings

- a) AMO Conference (CA Panel Presentation): August 14 to 17, 2022
 - Sommer Casgrain-Robertson was a panelist on changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act*
- b) OEMC Conference (CA display): September 14 to 16, 2022
- c) RVCF Board of Directors Meeting: September 14, 2022
- d) General Managers Meeting: September 19, 2022
 - Conservation Ontario has a new General Manager, Angela Coleman from South Nation Conservation.
- e) International Plowing Match: September 20 – 24, 2022
 - RVCA alongside other Eastern Ontario conservation authorities are sharing an exhibitor tent, Board members are welcome and encouraged to stop in and view the exhibit.

Upcoming

- f) Conservation Ontario Council Meeting: September 26, 2022
- g) RVCA Board of Directors Meeting: October 27, 2022

Chair Leenhouts thanked Ms. Casgrain-Robertson for the meeting summary and opened the floor to questions and comments. There were none.

11.0 Member Inquiries

None.

12.0 New Business

None.

15.0 Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m. on a motion by Andy Jozefowicz which was seconded by Judy Brown.

Pieter Leenhouts
Chair

Marissa Grondin
Recording Secretary

Sommer Casgrain-Robertson
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer