

RIDEAU VALLEY CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
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APPROVED MINUTES

Board of Directors **8/17** **October 26, 2017**

Present:	Jeff Banks	Anne Barr
	Pat Barr	Gerry Boyce
	Judy Brown	Brian Campbell
	Barclay Cormack	Joe Gallipeau
	Ed Hand	Victor Heese
	Pieter Leenhouts	Dale McLenaghan
	Scott Moffatt	Sharon Mousseau
	Lyle Pederson	Ralph Pentland
	Gerald Schwingamer	Ray Scissons
	Tom Scott	
Staff:	Ferdous Ahmed	Sommer Casgrain-Robertson
	Dan Cooper	Terry Davidson
	Diane Downey	John Garrah
	Ewan Hardie	Glen McDonald
	Shelley Macpherson	Sarah Wayne
Regrets:	Vince Carroll	Erin Greco
	Andy Jozefowicz	
Guests:	Marlene Black	Tom Black
	Brian Finch	Terry Hale
	Ken McRae	Nick Stow
	Tony Walker	Mike Westley

1.0 Agenda Review

Lyle Pederson called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm and reviewed the Agenda.

2.0 Adoption of Agenda

Motion 1-171026

Moved by:

Sharon Mousseau

Seconded by:

Ralph Pentland

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

Motion Carried

3.0 Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest declared.

4.0 Approval of Minutes of September 28, 2017

Motion 2-171026

Moved by:

Victor Heese

Seconded by:

Pieter Leenhouts

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority approves the Minutes of the Board of Directors Meeting #7/17, September 28, 2017 as circulated.

Motion Carried

5.0 Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising.

6.0 Goulbourn Wetland Complex

The Board considered a staff report about the Goulbourn Wetland Complex and RVCA's administration of Ontario Regulation 174/06.

Presentations were received from four delegations:

Ken McRae expressed his support for the staff recommendation; however, he felt that the more recent 2017 MNRF wetland mapping and associated designations should be used for regulatory purposes. Given the timing of the City's OPA process and ongoing fill being placed in wetlands, Mr. McRae called for wetland protection in the interim. See attached presentation.

Mike Westley, representing the Carleton Landowners Association, spoke to the longstanding drainage issues in the area including areas along Flowing Creek and Hobbs Drain. He spoke to the persistent efforts of landowners to maintain drainage features and the Flowing Creek Municipal Drain petition. Mr. Wesley questions the validity of MNRF Provincially Significant Wetland designation in areas that have not been allowed to drain properly for years.

Terry Hale, President of the Goulbourn Landowners Group, spoke to errors in the wetland evaluation process. See attached presentation.

Tom Black, President of the Ontario Landowners Association, spoke to the traditional farming use of the area and ongoing drainage issues. The OLA stance is that if a property was an active farm for the past 40 years, the water on the land is due to a drainage problem and does not deserve a wetland designation.

Following the delegations, Nick Stow, City of Ottawa Senior Planner, provided information on the history of the Goulbourn Wetland Complex and the ongoing City Official Plan Amendment process. See attached presentation.

Terry Davidson, RVCA Director of Regulations then spoke about the RVCA's regulatory requirements under Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act* pertaining to wetlands. See attached presentation.

Scott Moffatt requested a recorded vote.

Motion 3-171026

Moved by:

Judy Brown

Seconded by:

Anne Barr

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority direct staff to further apply Ontario Regulation 174/06 to wetlands in the Flewellyn Special Study Area that were identified by the MNRF to be provincially significant in 2008; and

That this direction take effect immediately and that property owners in this area be notified of this change promptly by letter.

Those in favour:

Anne Barr
Victor Heese
Dale McLenaghan
Ralph Pentland
Tom Scott

Judy Brown
Pieter Leenhouts
Lyle Pederson
Gerald Schwinghamer

Those against:

Jeff Banks
Gerry Boyce
Barclay Cormack
Ed Hand
Sharon Mousseau

Pat Barr
Brian Campbell
Joe Gallipeau
Scott Moffatt
Ray Scissons

Absent:

Vince Carroll
Andy Jozefowicz

Erin Greco

Motion Defeated

7.0 2018 Meeting Schedule

Motion 4-171026

Moved by:

Brian Campbell

Seconded by:

Victor Heese

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority approve the Draft 2018 Meeting Schedule as presented.

Motion Carried

8.0 Public Open House for Flood and Regulation Limits Mapping for the Rideau River from Hogs Back to Kars, and from Kars to Burritts Rapids

A member asked staff if they thought the current approval process was working well in light of concerns raised by an Ottawa councillor. Ferdous Ahmed, RVCA Senior Water Resources Engineer, indicated that the process works well as staff are open-minded and willing to make corrections and adjustments to the mapping based on new information. At the recent open house, four property owners asked for RVCA staff to check flood lines on their property. Staff conducted site visits and the effort resulted in minor changes to the mapping and satisfied landowners.

A member asked that future staff reports addressing flood and regulation limits mapping clearly indicate whether proposed changes are considered minor or major and that the reports clearly define whether board ratification is required following changes.

Motion 5-171026

Moved by:

Tom Scott

Seconded by:

Pieter Leenhouts

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority receive this activity report.

Motion Carried

9.0 2018 Fees for Planning Advisory & Regulatory Services

Board members asked questions regarding the administration of the program and related fees. A correction was noted and staff were directed to fix accordingly.

Motion 6-171026

Moved by:

Ray Scissons

Seconded by:

Sharon Mousseau

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority approve the attached fee schedules, as amended, to take effect January 1, 2018 for Planning Advisory and Regulatory Services:

- Schedule "A" Fees: Planning Advisory Program
- Schedule "B" Fees: Section 28 of the *Conservation Authorities Act*
- Schedule "C" Fees: Technical Report Review Fees
- Schedule "D" Fees: Information and Professional Services

Motion Carried

10.0 Program Review – Planning and Regulations Programs

Chair Lyle Pederson, thanked staff for the well written reviews and looked to board members to discuss the content of the review. Board members asked questions pertaining to provincial and local timelines for providing plan review comments, level of service and cost recovery. Glen McDonald, RVCA Director of Planning responded accordingly.

Notes were taken of all the feedback provided and items requiring follow up were noted. It was felt that future priorities highlighted in the program review should be brought forward for future discussion.

Motion 7-171026

Moved by:

Sharon Mousseau

Seconded by:

Pat Barr

That the Board of Directors of the Rideau Valley Conservation Authority

Motion Carried

11.0 Meetings

- a) Rideau Canal Landscape Corridor Strategy Awards: October 6, 2017 (Smiths Falls)
- b) Provincial GM Meeting: October 16, 2017 (Toronto)
- c) RVC Foundation Board of Directors Meeting: Monday, October 20, 2017 (Manotick)
- d) Lake Links Workshop: October 21, 2017 (Perth)
- e) Eastern GM and Chair Meeting: October 24, 2017 (Kingston)

Upcoming:

- f) MRSPC Meeting: November 2, 2016 (Manotick)
- g) AD Latornell Conservation Symposium: November 21-23, 2017 (Alliston)
- h) RVCA Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, November 23, 2017 (Manotick)
- i) RVCA Board of Directors Meeting: Thursday, December 14, 2017 (Manotick)

12.0 Member Inquiries

None.

13.0 New Business

None.

14.0 Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:13 p.m. on a motion by Victor Heese which was seconded by Joe Gallipeau.

Lyle Pederson
Chair

Diane Downey
Recording Secretary