

**NIAGARA PENINSULA CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
FULL AUTHORITY MEETING**

BALL'S FALLS CENTRE FOR CONSERVATION

JUNE 19, 2008

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

D. Ransom, (Chairman)
B. Baty (Vice-Chairman)
C. D'Angelo
D. DiFruscio
A. Fevez
D. Goulbourne
B. Henderson
B. Steckley

MEMBERS ABSENT:

B. Bentley (with regrets)
G. Burroughs (with regrets)
B. Butters (with regrets)
T. Dalimonte (with regrets)
B. Greenwood (with regrets)
B. Heit (with regrets)
N. Johnson (with regrets)

STAFF PRESENT:

T. D'Amario, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer
L. Sawatzky, Recording Secretary
D. Baker, Director, Land Management
J. Kukalis, Director, Water Management
M. Stack, Director Communications
T. McDougall, Executive Director Conservation Foundation

BUSINESS:

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 7:09 p.m., welcomed everyone in attendance and then requested that if anyone had a conflict of interest to declare it.

(1) MINUTES - FULL AUTHORITY MEETING – MAY 21, 2008

There were no errors or omissions with respect to the minutes. The following resolution was presented.

FA-84-08

MOVED BY: M. DiFruscio

SECONDED BY: B. Henderson

THAT: the Minutes of the Full Authority meeting held May 21, 2008, be received and approved as amended.

"CARRIED"

(2) BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

(3) CHAIRMAN'S REMARKS

The Chairman introduced John Kukalis who was chosen as the new Director of Water Management and was in attendance. The Chairman noted that John was formerly the Director of Public Works for the Town of Lincoln and would be officially starting at the Authority on June 23rd. He welcomed John indicating he looked forward to him coming to the Authority.

The Chairman thanked Mary and the staff involved in arranging the tour which had taken place earlier in the day. He indicated that it was nice to see the areas that were part of the agenda.

The Chairman also thanked everyone who supported the Niagara Peninsula Conservation Foundation's annual golf tournament which this year raised approximately \$12,000.00.

(4) CAO'S REPORT

The CAO reminded the members that there is no meeting scheduled for July and the next Full Authority meeting will be held on August 20th.

The CAO advised that the Fort Erie Watershed Plan was presented to Fort Erie Council June 9th and it was well received. The next scheduled presentation is to the Town of Niagara-on-the-Lake on July 28th.

The CAO noted that the official ribbon cutting ceremony regarding the E.C. Brown Rehabilitation project is tentatively scheduled for July 31st. He indicated that it was hopeful representatives from OPG could be in attendance. He noted that confirmation of that date would be provided when it becomes known.

(5) BUDGET STATUS REPORT - REPORT NO. 46-08

The CAO outlined the report and noted the accounts listing had been forwarded to all members by email. He also advised he had a hard copy available to anyone who wished to see it. He noted that there are no particularly significant variances to date other than the seasonal ones. After responding to questions, the following resolution was presented.

FA-85-08

MOVED BY: A. Fevez

SECONDED BY: B. Henderson

THAT: The Budget Status Report for the month of May, 2008 be received.

“CARRIED”

(6) NAMING OF NPCA ASSETS AND FACILITIES – REPORT NO. 47-08

The CAO outlined the report and proposed policy. He stressed that this would focus on naming of assets and facilities rather than an event, program or tree. A lengthy discussion took place on this policy and it was suggested that a committee be struck look into this further and perhaps fine tune the existing policy. This committee, will prepared a report for the August meeting. The Chairman requested volunteers to be part of the committee and Barbara Henderson, Damian Goulbourne and Brian Baty volunteered. The following resolution was presented.

FA-86-08

MOVED BY: B. Henderson

SECONDED BY: A. Fevez

THAT: Report No. 47-08 be received: and

That Barbara Henderson, Damian Goulbourne and Brian Baty form a Committee to fine tune the proposed policy to be brought back for consideration to the August Full Authority meeting.

“CARRIED”

(7) LYON’S CREEK SEDIMENT REMEDIATION PROJECT – REPORT NO. 48-08

The CAO provided an update and background on this project and responded to questions. The following resolution was presented.

FA-87-08

MOVED BY: D. Goulbourne

SECONDED BY: A. Fevez

THAT: the Report No. 48-08 regarding the Lyon’s Creek Sediment Remediation Project be received.

“CARRIED”

(8) CAVE SPRINGS CONSERVATION AREA (DRAFT MASTER PLAN) – REPORT NO. 49-08

The Director Land Management provided further background in addition to what was on the tour. He indicated that a public meeting will be held sometime in mid July to receive comments. The following resolution was presented.

FA-88-08

MOVED BY: B. Baty

SECONDED BY: C. D'Angelo

THAT: Report No. 49-08 regarding Cave Springs Conservation Area Draft Master Plan be received; and,

That staff be authorized to circulate the draft plan for public review and comment.

“CARRIED”

(9) JORDAN HARBOUR SITE – REPORT NO. 50-08

The Director, Land Management outlined the report and responded to questions. The following resolution was then presented.

FA-89-08

MOVED BY: C. D'Angelo

SECONDED BY: B. Steckley

THAT: Report No. 50-08 regarding the Jordan Harbour Site be received; and,

That a notice be placed in local and regional papers requesting proposals from the public.

“CARRIED”

(10) BALL'S FALLS LANDSCAPE TENDER – REPORT NO. 51-08

The Director, Land Management provided a revised copy of the report and responded to questions. The following resolution was presented.

FA-90-08

MOVED BY: B. Steckley

SECONDED BY: C. D'Angelo

THAT: Report No. 51-08 regarding the Ball's Falls Landscape Tender be received; and,

That Stevensville Landscaping be awarded the contract to construct a switchback trail at Ball's Falls Conservation Area for the contract price of \$53,356.59, including taxes.

“CARRIED”

(11) ST. JOHNS TROUT POND PROGRAM REVIEW – REPORT NO. 52-08

The Director, Land Management outlined the report noting the reasons there has never been a gate fee at St. Johns. A suggestion was raised that perhaps a sponsor could be secured to stock the pond. Staff advised they will look into this further. The following resolution was presented.

FA-91-08

MOVED BY: C. D'Angelo

SECONDED BY: B. Steckley

THAT: Report No. 52-08 regarding the St. Johns Trout Pond Program Review be received.

“CARRIED”

(13) PROJECT STATUS REPORT – REPORT NO. 53-08

The following resolution was presented.

FA-92-08

MOVED BY: B. Steckley

SECONDED BY: C. D'Angelo

THAT: Report No. 53–08 regarding the status of Authority projects be received for information.

“CARRIED”

(14) IN-CAMERA

In accordance with Authority policy, the following resolutions were presented.

FA-93-08

MOVED BY: B. Baty

SECONDED BY: B. Steckley

THAT: this meeting do now move in-camera.

Received at 8:07 p.m.

“CARRIED”

FA-94-08

MOVED BY: B. Henderson

SECONDED BY: B. Steckley

THAT: this meeting do now move back into open session.

Received at 8:12 p.m.

“CARRIED”

OTHER BUSINESS

Brian Baty thanked staff for the very informative Conservation Area tour.

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ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the following resolution was presented.

FA-95-08

MOVED BY: A. Fevez

SECONDED BY: B. Baty

THAT: this meeting do now adjourn.

Received at 8:15 p.m.

“CARRIED”

"L. Sawatzky, Recording Secretary

D. Ransom, Chairman"