



**NIAGARA PENINSULA CONSERVATION AUTHORITY
FULL AUTHORITY MEETING MINUTES**

Wednesday May 20, 2015; 9:30 am
3292 Sixth Avenue; Jordan, ON Ball's Falls - BARN

- MEMBERS PRESENT:** S. Annunziata (Vice-Chair)
B. Baty
S. Beattie
F. Champion
D. DiFruscio
J. Diodati
B. Hodgson
A. Jeffs
D. Joyner
J. Kaspersetz
J. Maloney
T. Quirk
R. Shirton
B. Timms (Chair)
- MEMBERS ABSENT:** P. Darte (*Regrets*)
- STAFF PRESENT:** C. D'Angelo, CAO/Secretary-Treasurer
D. Barrick, Sr. Manager, Operations
J. Long, Sr. Manager, Corporate Services
P. Graham, Director, Watershed Management
S. McInnes, Manager, Plan Review & Regulations
B. Wright, Manager, Watershed Projects
S. Miller, Supervisor, Water Resources
M. Brickell, Project Manager
D. MacKenzie, Supervisor, Construction Permit Approvals
G. Furtney, Conservation Areas Supervisor
K. Vallier, Business Development Manager
G. Verkade, Supervisor, GIS
M. Reles, Communications Specialist
N. Devos, Superintendent, Ball's Falls
M. Tempest, Assistant Superintendent, Binbrook
L. Conte, Administrative Assistant, Office of CAO & Board
- OTHERS PRESENT:** Mark Neufeld (SPC), Tony Dalimonte (SPC), Adrin Willems (SPC)
Mike and Ana Gaspic, Alfred Marinelli (Port Colborne
Conservation Club), Kyle Hergott (NPCA co-op student)

Chairman Timms invited Vice-Chairman S. Annunziata to Chair the Full Authority Meeting. Acting Chair, S. Annunziata called the meeting to order, welcomed all in attendance.

PUBLIC MEETING: DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Member Campion declared a conflict of interest regarding the Welland River Floodplain mapping Report 50-15; Member Campion's mother has property affected by the floodplain mapping.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

Resolution No. FA-80-15

Moved by: J. Maloney
Seconded by: D. Joyner

THAT the Revised Agenda be adopted.

CARRIED

DELEGATION:

Port Colborne and District Conservation Club

Mr. Alfred Marinelli is speaking on behalf of some 60 members of the Port Colborne Conservation Club whose desire it is that the NPCA take over this (approximately 22 acre) property and ensure it be made available to the public should the need arise in the future. Mr. Marinelli invited members to tour the property.

Members suggested that legal preparation would be required stating the intent.

Resolution No. FA-81-15

Moved by: S. Beattie
Seconded by: J. Kaspersetz

THAT staff be directed to investigate a succession plan for the Port Colborne and District Conservation Club.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-82-15

Moved by: R. Shirton
Seconded by: B. Baty

THAT the verbal presentation by Mr. Marinelli regarding the Port Colborne and District Conservation Club be received.

CARRIED

BUSINESS ITEMS IN OPEN SESSION:

1. **Approval of the Minutes - Full Authority Board Meeting April 16, 2015**

Resolution No. FA-83-15

Moved by: T. Quirk
Seconded by: S. Beattie

THAT the minutes of the Full Authority Meeting held April 16, 2015 be approved as presented.

CARRIED

2. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

None.

3. **Correspondence**

- Haldimand County – letter to Minister Bill Mauro dated April 28, 2015
Member Bruce Timms thanked Haldimand County; Mayor and Council for the letter to Minister Bill Mauro.
- Niagara Peninsula Hawkwatch letter
Member Tony Quirk commented on the great partnership between NPCA and Hawkwatch and shared the latest number of raptors recorded at 14,861
- Conservation Ontario – Annual Report 2014

Resolution No. FA-84-15

Moved by: D. Joyner
Seconded by: T. Quirk

THAT the correspondence items listed on the agenda be received for information.

CARRIED

4. **Chairman's Remarks**

None.

5. **CAO Remarks**

- C. D'Angelo provided members with the following upcoming events to be noted;
- New Session for the Public Provincial Review to be held in the Town of Lincoln on May 21st;
 - June 20th Woodend Open house DSBN and NPCA – invitation to follow;
 - Sep. 24th Foundation Gala – inaugural event recognizing John Turner with award, to be held at Queen's Landing NOTL;
 - RAP open house May 28th at Queen's Landing.

Reports for Information:

6. Project Status Reports:

6.1 **Watershed Status Report No. 42-15**

6.2 **Operations Status Report No. 43-15**

6.3 **Corporate Services Status Report No. 44-15**

7. **Budget Status and Reserve – Report No. 45-15**

8. **Managed Service for Information Technology – Report No. 46-15**

9. **Forestry Bylaw – Report 47-15**

Resolution No. FA-85-15

Moved by: D. Joyner

Seconded by: T. Quirk

THAT Reports 42, 43, 44, 45, 46 and 47, be received for information purposes.

CARRIED

Reports for Consideration:

10. **Asset Management Plan Requirements - Report No. 48-15**

Resolution No. FA-86-15

Moved by: B. Timms

Seconded by: T. Quirk

That Report No. 48-15 be received for information; and,
That the Board approve the attached Draft Tangible Capital Asset Accounting Policy;
and,
That the Board authorize staff to use Operations Capital Reserves for the purchase of
Asset Management Software.

CARRIED

11. **NPCA Appointment of Regulations Officer – Report No. 49-15**

Resolution No. FA-87-15

Moved by: S. Beattie

Seconded by: T. Quirk

That Report No. 49-15 be received for information; and that the Board appoint Darren MacKenzie, Supervisor, Construction Permit Approvals as an Officer pursuant to Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act and Ontario Regulation 155/06.

CARRIED

12. Welland River Floodplain Mapping –awarding contract - Report No. 50-15

Resolution No. FA-88-15

Moved by: B. Timms
Seconded by: S. Beattie

THAT the NPCA Board authorize staff to award The MMM Group Limited with a contract for services and approve a budget of \$221,300 (excluding HST) for the generation of new 100 year floodplain mapping for the main branch of the Welland River (from the Binbrook Dam in Hamilton to the Niagara River in Niagara Falls).

CARRIED

Note: Members Jeffs and Quirk recorded as opposed to resolution.

13. Provincial Plan Review – Report No. 51-15

Resolution No. FA-89-15

Moved by: T. Quirk
Seconded by: B. Hodgson

That Report No. 51-15 be approved by the Board and forwarded to the Province for their consideration for the preparation of amendments to Provincial Plans; and,
That a copy of this report be forwarded to the watershed municipalities.

CARRIED

14. Wi Fi Microphone System – Ball’s Falls - Report No. 52-15

Member Diodati suggested looking into a less costly alternative with the following resolutions;

Resolution No. FA-90-15

Moved by: B. Timms
Seconded by: R. Shirton

That Report No. 52-15 be received.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-91-15

Moved by: B. Timms
Seconded by: R. Shirton

That Report No 52-15 be referred back to staff to investigate other options available and provide further information to the board.

CARRIED

15. St. Johns Centre – Report No. 53-15

Resolution No. FA-92-15

Moved by: B. Baty
Seconded by: T. Quirk

That Report No. 53-15 be received; and,
That the Board authorize staff to issue a request for the Expressions of Interest related to the use of the St. Johns Centre.

CARRIED

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16. Kealy and Associates Inc. Project Proposal – Report No. 54-15

Members expressed concern over the confidential nature contained in the report's appendix, resulting in the following resolution;

Resolution No. FA-93-15

Moved by: T. Quirk
Seconded by: B. Timms

That Report No. 54-15 be deferred to the closed session of this meeting.

CARRIED

17. Other Business

- Member Jeffs inquired about the possibility that Staff look at mapping the blanding turtle habitat in the watershed and especially to the western areas.
- Member Baty suggested staff look at NPCA's inventory of current and potential partners to form alliance for the purpose of re-establishing the Foundation.
- Ash Trees Risk Assessment information package distributed to members. Members noted that there are currently no funds available to address this problem with private homeowners.

Resolution No. FA-94-15

Moved by: B. Timms
Seconded by: D. Joyner

That the Ash Trees Risk Assessment document be received and circulated to Members Municipalities.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-95-15

Moved by: R. Shirton
Seconded by: B. Hodgson

THAT the meeting move to closed session to discuss a land acquisition, receive an update on the City of Hamilton's appeal by Legal Councillor, Kenneth Hill and discuss Report No. 54-15 Kealy and Associates Inc.

CARRIED

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

None.

BUSINESS – Closed Session:

1. City of Hamilton appeal update – Kenneth Hill

Resolution No. FA-96-15

Moved by: T. Quirk
Seconded by: B. Timms

That the meeting rise from closed session with report.

CARRIED

Public Session:

Acting Chair, S. Annunziata declared that the Board direct Legal Council as per the discussion in closed session as follows:

Resolution No. FA-97-15

Moved by: F. Campion

Seconded by: D. Joyner

That Legal Councillor, Kenneth Hill follow the direction of the Board regarding the City of Hamilton's appeal.

CARRIED 9-5

Recorded Vote

NAME	YES	NO
BATY, Brian		✓
BEATTIE, Stewart		✓
CAMPION, Frank		✓
DARTE, Pat NOT IN ATTENDANCE		
DIFRUSCIO, Dominic	✓	
DIODATI, Jim	✓	
HODGSON, Bill	✓	
JEFFS, April		✓
JOYNER, Douglas		✓
KASPERSETZ, James	✓	
MALONEY, John	✓	
QUIRK, Tony	✓	
SHIRTON, Rob	✓	
TIMMS, Bruce (CHAIR)	✓	
ANNUNZIATA, Sandy (Acting-Chair)	✓	

Resolution No. FA-98-15

Moved by: B. Timms

Seconded by: R. Shirton

That the meeting move to closed session to discuss land acquisition and Report No. 54-15.

CARRIED

Closed Session:

2. Land Acquisition – Report No. CR-41-15

3. Kealy and Associates Inc. Project Proposal – Report No. 54-15

Resolution No. FA-99-15

Moved by: T. Quirk
Seconded by: B. Timms

That the meeting rise from closed session with report.

CARRIED

Public Session:

Following the closed session, the Board resolved the following:

Resolution No. FA-100-15

Moved by: J. Kaspersetz
Seconded by: J. Diodati

That Report No. CR-41-15 be received for information; and,
That NPCA staff not persue with the land acquisition at this time.

CARRIED

Resolution No. FA-101-15

Moved by: J. Diodati
Seconded by: S. Beattie

That the Board of Directors approve the retention of Kealy and Associates Inc. as per the terms of agreement identified in Appendix 1 of Report No. 54-15.

CARRIED

ADJOURNMENT

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

Resolution No. FA-102-15

Moved by: B. Timms
Seconded by: J. Kaspersetz

THAT the Full Authority meeting be adjourned. Received at 1:30 pm

CARRIED



Lisa Conte; Recording Secretary



S. Annunziata, Acting Chair, NPCA