

General Membership Meeting #10-20

December 16, 2020

Member's Present:

David Turton, Matt Duncan, Roger Watt, Alison Lobb, Ed McGugan, Kevin Freiburger, Anita van Hittersum, Megan Gibson, Cheryl Matheson, Alvin McLellan, Erinn Lawrie

Staff Present:

Phil Beard, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Danielle Livingston, Administrative/Financial Services Coordinator
Jayne Thompson, Communications Coordinator
Stewart Lockie, Conservation Areas Coordinator
Stephen Jackson, Flood/Erosion Safety Coordinator
Chris Van Esbroeck, Stewardship Services Coordinator

1. Call to Order

Chair Dave Turton called the meeting to order at 7:01 pm and outlined the meeting objectives.

2. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no pecuniary interests at this time.

3. Minutes

The minutes from the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority (MVCA) General Membership Meeting #9-20 held on November 18, 2020 have been circulated for information and approval. The Members agreed with the minutes and the following motion was made.

Motion FA #94-20

Moved by: Megan Gibson

Seconded by: Ed McGugan

That the minutes from the General Membership meeting #9-20 of November 18, 2020 be approved.

(carried)



4. Business Out of the Minutes:

- a) Proposed Changes to the Conservation Authorities Act: Report #59-2020

Report #59-20 was presented for information purposes and this motion followed.

Motion FA #95-20

Moved by: Matt Duncan

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

That Report #59-20 be accepted as presented.

(carried)

5. Business Requiring Direction And Or Decision:

- a) Wingham and Area Flood Plain Mapping Consultation Responses: Report #60-20

The findings of the mapping will be presented to North Huron Council in February and a report will be sent to the Municipality of Morris-Turnberry.

Discussion around the process concluded that for the purpose of mapping and regulations, any differences as a result of re-running will not impact or affect the next steps of considering the mapping for approval. This motion followed.

Motion FA #96-20

Moved by: Ed McGugan

Seconded by: Alvin McLellan

“That the Member’s receive the report and include the revised flood fringe for 160 Potter Street in the proposed Wingham and Area Mapping; And that MVCA proceed with re-running the flood plain mapping model to determine if the model returns a different result without fill at the expense of the 300 Princess Street, Wingham property owner, if he agrees to pay for it.”

(carried)

- b) Funding Available in 2021: Maitland Conservation Foundation: Report #61-20

Report #61-20 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #97-20

Moved by: Matt Duncan

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

That the MVCA GM-ST provide support as Interim Executive Director to the MCF Board of Directors for 2021.

(carried)

- c) Draft 2021 Priorities, Work Plan and Budget: Report #62-20

Report #62-20 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #98-20
Moved by: Roger Watt

Seconded by: Kevin Freiburger

That the 2021 draft budget, work plan and levy be circulated to member municipalities for review; **And that** the final work plan and budget be brought back to the Member's on March 17, 2021 for final review and approval.

(carried)

d) Options: Location and Theme for the 2021 Annual Meeting: Report #63-20

Report #63-20 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #99-20
Moved by: Alison Lobb

Seconded by: Roger Watt

That the 2021 Annual Meeting be held on Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 2pm, with a snow date of Wednesday, February 24, 2021; **And that** the MCF be invited to discuss ideas to help promote the "Restoring the Maitland Campaign at the Annual Meeting; **And further that** the meeting be held virtually or at the Wroxeter Hall.

(carried)

e) First Call: Declarations for Chair, Vice and 2nd Vice Chair: Report #64-20

Following review of Report #64-20, Roger Watt declared his interest to run for Vice-Chair. No other declarations were made at this time.

(carried)

f) Personnel Committee Report: Report #65-20

Report #65-20 was presented and this motion followed.

Motion FA #100-20
Moved by: Megan Gibson

Seconded by: Ed McGugan

That the proposed amendments to the personnel policy be approved as outlined in Report #65-20.

(carried)

6. Reports

Member Erinn Lawrie reported that she and the GM attended the Town Council meeting in Goderich on December 14th to present the proposed changes to the Conservation Authorities Act and information on Schedule 6 to Council.

The Town of Goderich is in support of MVCA and passed the following motion at the December 14, 2020 meeting.

Moved By: Deputy Mayor Murdock
Seconded By: Councillor Tamming

That Goderich Town Council bring forward item 7.1, being a motion in support of the Maitland Valley Conservation Authority's request to support the addition of Watershed Stewardship as the fourth mandatory service that Conservation Authorities provide for municipalities, and further to support the development of a Mayor's and Reeve's group to champion the continuation of Healthy Lake Huron which is a collaboration of partners co-led by the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs to improve the nearshore water quality of Lake Huron between Tobermory and Samia, as recommended by the Environmental Action Committee.

(carried)

7. In-Camera Session: GM-ST Work Plan Review

All attendees except the Administrative-Financial Services Coordinator were excused from the meeting at this time.

Motion FA #101-20
Moved by: Roger Watt

Seconded by: Ed McGugan

That the Member's move in-camera to review personnel matters.

(carried)

The following motion was made at the in camera session.

Motion FA #102-20
Moved by: Anita van Hittersum

Seconded by: Erin Lawrie

That the Member's resume regular session.

(carried)

These motions followed.

Motion FA #103-20
Moved by: Roger Watt

Seconded by: Alison Lobb

That the GM's 2021 salary and final payment in 2020 be processed as discussed and directed in-camera.

(carried)

8. Consent Agenda

The following items were circulated to the Member's for their information.

- a) Revenue/Expenditure Report for November **Report #66-2020**
- b) Correspondence for Members Information – Letter from Municipality of Huron East Re: Conservation Authorities Act

The following motion was made.

Motion FA #104-20

Moved by: Matt Duncan

Seconded by: Cheryl Matheson

That reports #66-20 along with their respective recommended motions and correspondence as outlined in the Consent Agenda be accepted as presented.

(carried)

9. Review of Meeting Objectives, Follow-up Actions, Next meeting:

Chair Turton reviewed the meeting objectives and announced that they have been met.

The next meeting of the membership will take place on January 27, 2021 at 7:00pm.

10. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 pm with this motion.

Motion FA #104-20

Moved by: Megan Gibson

Seconded by: Anita van Hittersum

That the general membership meeting be adjourned.

carried)



Dave Turton
Chair



Danielle Livingston
Administrative/Financial
Services Coordinator