

#### Minutes of the meeting of the

#### **Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting**

Date:

October 21, 2021, 3:30pm

Location:

ZOOM

Members Present: Carrie West (Township of Madoc), Chris Malette (City of Belleville), Dale Grant

(Stirling and Rawdon Township), Don Kuntze (City of Quinte West), Ellen Johnson (Town of Greater Napanee), Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township), Henry Hogg (Addington Highlands Township), James Flieler (Municipality of Tweed), Janice Maynard (County of Prince Edward), John Hirsch (County of Prince Edward), John Wise (Stone Mills Township), Kate MacNaughton (County of Prince Edward), Les Stanfield (County of Prince Edward), Mike Stevens (Marmora and Lake Municipality), Nicki Gowdy (Township of Central Frontenac), Paul Carr (City of Belleville), Ray Hobson (County of Prince Edward), Sean Kelly (City of Belleville), Steven Everhardus

(Town of Deseronto), **Tom Livingston** (County of Prince Edward)

Members Absent: Jim Dunlop (County of Prince Edward), Mike Kerby (Centre Hastings Municipality),

Norm Roberts (Township of South Frontenac), Ronald Carroll (Tudor and Cashel

Townships)

Also Present: Amy Dickens (Source Water Protection Coordinator), Brad McNevin (CAO), Kirsten

**Geisler** (Communications Specialist)- left at 4:30pm, **Lindsay Nash** (Environmental and Regulations Technician), **Paul McCoy** (Planning and Regulations Manager), **Sam Reid** (Corporate Services Assistant), **Sharlene Richardson** (Regulations Officer),

Tammy Smith (Corporate Services Manager)

#### 1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:46 pm.

## a. Notice Regarding Cell Phones and Pagers

Cell phones and pagers are not permitted to be turned on during the meeting, except in an event of an emergency. If the device is to be left on, it must be announced at the beginning of the meeting.

#### b. Collection of Personal Information for Board Minutes

This is addressed to anyone that is not a board member and/or staff person of Quinte Conservation: Your name will be used in the board meeting minutes and the minutes will become public information after review and approval of the board. If you are present for a delegation or hearing, the context of your presentation will be recorded in the minutes of the board meeting.

#### 2. Approval of the Agenda

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-095** 

Moved By: Ellen Johnson (Town of Greater Napanee)
Seconded By: Dale Grant (Stirling and Rawdon Township)

THAT, the Agenda for the October 21, 2021 Executive Board Meeting be approved.

**CARRIED** 

# 3. <u>Approval of the Minutes of the Quinte Conservation Executive Board meeting of September 16, 2021</u>

Board Members asked if there were any further updates about the Napanee River Buoys Maintenance Agreement.

Staff answered that Quinte Conservation has a meeting scheduled with the new Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Greater Napanee on Monday.

**MOTION QC-21-096** 

Moved By: Henry Hogg (Addington Highlands Township)

Seconded By: Don Kuntze (City of Quinte West)

THAT, the Minutes from the September 16, 2021 Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting be approved.

- 4. Business Arising from the Minutes
- 5. Action Items of the previous Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting
- 6. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interests
- 7. Delegations
- 8. Review and Approval of the Section 28 Regulations and Permits (Motion to Approve)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-097** 

**Moved By: Tom Livingston** (County of Prince Edward) **Seconded By: Heather Lang** (Tyendinaga Township)

THAT, the Review and Approval of the Section 28 Regulations and Permits be approved.

**CARRIED** 

## 9. Plan Review Summary (Motion to Approve)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-098** 

Moved By: John Wise (Stone Mills Township)

Seconded By: John Hirsch (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Plan Review Summary be approved.

#### 10. Budget Control (Motion to Approve)

Board Member stated there are several WECI funded projects that are low percentage of budget spent under the line item "Water Control Structures". Board Member asked if these must be fully spent by the end of 2021.

Staff answered those items are on a fiscal year of April to March rather then January to December. The WECI funded projects that are low percentage of budget spent are not completed until March 2022.

Board Member asked if the line item "Ackerman Property Project" also follows a different fiscal year.

Staff answered that there is \$20,000 that will be used over time for the maintenance and monitoring for the Ackerman Property Project and only about \$1000.00 is spent per year.

Board Member asked why the revenue for other programs shows as a negative dollar amount.

Staff answered that in accounting there are credits and debits, the negative dollar amounts are the credits. Staff added that the stewardship program will be completely spent by end of 2021.

**MOTION QC-21-099** 

**Moved By: John Hirsch** (County of Prince Edward) **Seconded By: Chris Malette** (City of Belleville)

THAT, the Budget Control be approved.

**CARRIED** 

#### 11. Media Releases and Communications Report (Motion to Receive)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-100** 

Moved By: Don Kuntze (City of Quinte West)

Seconded By: Ellen Johnson (Town of Greater Napanee)

THAT, the Media Releases and Communications Report be received.

## 12. <u>Quinte Conservation Strategic Plan- Strengthening Our Natural Ecosystems: A Continuing Journey (Motion to Receive)</u>

Pickard and Laws presented to the Quinte Conservation Executive Board regarding the 2021-2030 Quinte Conservation Strategic Plan.

Board Member said they participated in the breakout sessions and found it very interesting and thanked the staff, the consultant, and participants for their hard work.

Board Member asked if the Strategic Plan was sent out to board members.

Staff answered that the finished version is ready to be sent out and distributed.

Board member asked staff to send out finished version of Strategic Plan.

Staff answered that the Strategic Plan will be circulated to the Executive Board before the next Executive Board meeting.

Discussion followed.

**MOTION QC-21-101** 

Moved By: Don Kuntze (City of Quinte West)
Seconded By: Sean Kelly (City of Belleville)

THAT, Quinte Conservation Executive Board receive the presentation by Pickard and Laws for the Quinte Conservation Strategic Plan for 2021-2030.

**CARRIED** 

## 13. Amendments to the Section 28 Hearing Guidelines (Motion to Approve)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-102** 

**Moved By: Steven Everhardus** (Town of Deseronto) **Seconded By: Heather Lang** (Tyendinaga Township)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board approve the Interim Hearing Guidelines updated to incorporate Hearings under Section 28.0.1(7) of the Conservation Authorities Act and instruct staff to use them accordingly.

### 14. Amendments to the Quinte Conservation Administrative By-Law (Motion to Approve)

Board Member asked what the current breakdown is for municipal elected officials on the Quinte Conservation Executive Board.

Staff answered that all municipalities except for three members from Prince Edward County and one member from Stirling-Rawdon Township are elected officials.

Discussion followed.

Board Member stated that the requirements for an advisory committee were eliminated.

Staff said the Ministry of Environment, Conservation and Parks did retract that statement. Staff added this would be talked about later in the agenda.

**MOTION QC-21-103** 

Moved By: Steven Everhardus (Town of Deseronto)
Seconded By: John Wise (Stone Mills Township)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board approve the amendments to the "Quinte Conservation Administrative By-Law".

**CARRIED** 

## 15. McLeod Dam Stability Results & Asset Management Plan (Motion to Approve)

Board Member asked why Quinte Conservation is taking the word of D.M Wills over the previous company that assessed the dam.

Staff answered that D.M Wills accepted the 2006 stability analysis which contradicted the original dam safety review.

**MOTION QC-21-104** 

Moved By: Paul Carr (City of Belleville)

Seconded By: Chris Malette (City of Belleville)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board approve the removal of the rehabilitation of the retaining walls at McLeod Dam from the Capital Asset Management Plan and the revised costs be shared with the City of Belleville.

## 16. Revised City of Belleville Capital Maintenance Plan (Motion to Approve)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-105** 

Moved By: Paul Carr (City of Belleville)
Seconded By: Sean Kelly (City of Belleville)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board approve revised City of Belleville Capital Maintenance Plan.

**CARRIED** 

## 17. Depot Lakes Campground Operational Changes (Motion to Receive)

There was no discussion.

**MOTION QC-21-106** 

Moved B: John Wise (Stone Mills Township)

Seconded By: Nicki Gowdy (Township of South Frontenac)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board receive the Depot Lakes Campground Operational Changes report.

**CARRIED** 

#### 18. CAO Report- Conservation Authority Act Changes and New Regulations (Motion to Receive)

Staff did presentation.

Board Member asked how much mandatory programs and non-mandatory programs would change Quinte Conservation's relationships with the member municipalities.

Staff answered that most of our programs and services will fall under mandatory programs and therefore the relationship would not change.

**MOTION QC-21-107** 

Moved By: John Wise (Stone Mills Township)
Seconded By: Paul Carr (City of Belleville)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board receive the CAO Report regarding Conservation Authority Act Changes and New Regulations.

## 19. Preliminary Budget Outlook (Motion to Approve)

Board Member asked if the amounts that are zero in the budget is because there is no dollar amount yet.

Staff answered that this means there is no revenue on that line item.

**MOTION QC-21-108** 

Moved By: John Hirsch (County of Prince Edward)
Seconded By: Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township)

THAT, the proposed 2022 budget presented with this staff report showing a \$69,461 increase to our operating budget, \$25,000 reserve build, and special levy investments be received;

AND FURTHER THAT, staff be directed to circulate the preliminary budget to our municipal partners for the required 30 day period.

**CARRIED** 

#### 20. In Camera Session

**MOTION QC-21-109** 

Moved By: John Wise (Stone Mills Township)

**Seconded By: Tom Livingston** (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting be moved to In Camera.

**CARRIED** 

**MOTION QC-21-110** 

Moved By: Heather Lang (Tyendinaga Township)
Seconded By: Carrie West (Township of Madoc)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board Meeting be moved out of In Camera.

**CARRIED** 

**MOTION QC-21-111** 

Moved By: Chris Malette (City of Belleville)

**Seconded By: Tom Livingston** (County of Prince Edward)

THAT, the Quinte Conservation Executive Board approve the decisions made In Camera.

## 21. Other Business

## 22. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 5:45 pm.

**MOTION QC-21-112** 

Moved By: Kate MacNaughton (County of Prince Edward)
Seconded By: Nicki Gowdy (Township of Central Frontenac)

**CARRIED** 

THAT, the meeting be adjourned.

James Flieler, Chair