

# Board of Directors Meeting

## MINUTES

A meeting of the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority's Board of Directors was held at the LTVCA Administration Building in Chatham at 2:00 P.M. on Thursday, April 19, 2018. The following directors were in attendance: L. McKinlay, H. MacDonald, D. McKillop, S. Caveney, M. Smibert, G. Bogart, T. Thompson, R. Doane, M. Bodnar and L. Leclair.

1. Call to Order

2. Adoption of Agenda

D. McKillop requested to add to the agenda under Item #10, Other Business regarding a potential water issue in Dutton Dunwich in relation to wind turbines.

Chair, L. McKinlay, requested to add to the agenda under Item #10, Other Business regarding a permit in West Elgin.

1. R. Doane – M. Smibert

Moved that the agenda be adopted as amended.

CARRIED

3. Disclosures of Conflicts of Interest

None Declared.

4. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes (Previously circulated)

2. D. McKillop – H. MacDonald

Moved that the minutes of the meeting of February 15, 2018 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Business Arising From the Minutes

None declared.

6. Business for Approval

6.1) Presentations

6.1.1) Thames Clear Water Revival, Tara Tchir

6.1.2) Flood Forecasting and Recent Events, Jason Wintermute

3. L. Leclair – D. McKillop

Moved that the presentations be received as presented.

CARRIED

6.2) Royal Bank Account – Mount Brydges Branch, Signing Authority

4. R. Doane – M. Smibert

Moved that the LTVCA Board designate Agnes Vriends and Mark Peacock as signing officers for the RBC Mount Brydges bank account in connection with Longwoods Road Conservation Area operations.

CARRIED

6.3) Eco Gift Program Recipient

5. G. Bogart – S. Caveney

Moved that the LTVCA become a registered ECO Gift recipient.

CARRIED

6.4) McKay Pay Phone App

6. H. MacDonald – D. McKillop

Moved that the LTVCA approve the implementation of McKay Pay phone app at Sharon Creek and Big Bend Conservation Areas at a rate of \$4/car/day; existing camping rates at Big Bend; and existing season's pass rates.

CARRIED

6.5) Budget vs Revenue and Expenditures for the period ending February 28, 2018

7. D. McKillop – T. Thompson

Moved that the Board of Directors receives the Budget vs Revenue and Expenditures report for the period ended February 28<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

CARRIED

6.6) Provincial Offences Officer Training

8. M. Smibert – M. Bodnar

Moved that Paul Kominek, Western District Supervisor, be appointed as a Provincial Offences Officer to enforce Section 29 and/or Section 28 of the Conservation Authorities Act on behalf of the Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authority.

CARRIED

6.7) Board of Directors Meeting Schedule, change of dates

9. M. Bodnar – L. Leclair

Moved that the changes to the meeting dates be accepted as presented.

CARRIED

**7. Business for Information**

- 7.1) Water Management
- 7.2) Watershed Report Cards
- 7.3) Regulations and Planning
- 7.4) Conservation Areas
- 7.5) Conservation Services
- 7.6) Community Relations
- 7.7) Conservation Authority Education
- 7.8) GM's Report

10. G. Bogart – M. Bodnar

Moved that report 7.1) through to 7.8) be received for information.

CARRIED

**8. Correspondence**

- 8.1) RHODES: Chatham flood swept away bridge (historic news)
- 8.2) Ohio\Western Lake Erie 'impaired' by toxic algae
- 8.3) Lake Erie Action Plan – Release

11. L. Leclair – M. Smibert

Moved that correspondence items 8.1) through to 8.3) be received for information.

CARRIED

**9. Events Calendar**

12. S. Caveney – L. Leclair

Moved that the Events Calendar items be received for information.

CARRIED

**10. Other Business**

**10.1) Wind Program, Dutton Dunwich**

Thank you for allowing me to bring up a local concern in Dutton Dunwich. I know that the mandate is limited, according to information I received, regarding the limitations of the Source Water Protection mandate.

As you may or may not be aware, a Wind Project has been proposed in Dutton Dunwich. It has not been approved at this point. One of our many concerns about the project is the natural water supply in our community. Not only the aquifer structure, but also the ground water recharge areas, and private wells. Our municipality is approximately 95% looped for municipal water. I cannot speak to the number of people who are on it but it is a large percentage. This however does not excuse us of protecting the natural water source. It only gives our residents assurance that they will not be left without clean safe water close to or on their property in the event of contamination.

That being said I would like the Authority, through the chair, to investigate any proactive and present opportunities to direct us in being prepared in the event this project comes.

Examples are having available resources both physical and monetary to look at drilling, sampling and/or recording information. We are not taking away from the concerns of Chatham-Kent, as we support their actions on this matter. We also know our land structure is quite different from Chatham-Kent. However, the potential risk is there. With the proper science we will be better prepared if there is an issue moving forward. Thank you. D. McKillop

13. D. McKillop – M. Bodnar

Moved that the Board of Directors direct staff to look into ways to support municipalities to be proactive in protecting groundwater in areas where wind turbines are proposed.

CARRIED

10.2) Permit Application, West Elgin

Jason Homewood, Water Resources and Regulations Technician provided the Board of Directors with information and a power point presentation on an application that as submitted, staff would not be able to approve. As such, the information was brought before the board to approve the recommendations of staff in order to allow the permit to move forward. The draft motion brought forward (noted below) would allow staff to approve this permit.

That the board allow staff to approve the permit application regarding the construction of a new dwelling at 8674 Graham Road in West Elgin with appropriate conditions such as:

- The structure must be constructed in a manner that allows it to be movable in the future.
- That the construction be located as was noted on the site plan provided to this office on 04 April 2018.
- Sediment and erosion control measures are to be implemented between all disturbed areas and the bluff throughout the duration of construction and left in place until the site has been re-vegetated and/or stabilized.
- All materials excavated from the site must be located away from the top of the bluff, outside of the setback limit, during construction, have proper sediment control around the materials while stockpiled, then levelled and seeded as soon as possible or removed completely from the site to a LTVCA approved location.
- That all overland flows generated from the new structure(s) be directed to a suitable outlet towards the roadway or onto grassed areas away from the top of the bluff of Lake Erie in order to prevent erosion.
- All work to include site restoration of disturbed areas back to, or better than, existing.
- Construction of the structure must be well underway prior to the permit lapsing. If no construction has begun prior to the lapsing date of the permit, (19 April 2019) then a new permit will be required from this office.

14. L. Leclair – S. Caveney

Moved that the Board allow staff to approve the permit application regarding the construction of a new dwelling at 8674 Graham Road in West Elgin.


CARRIED

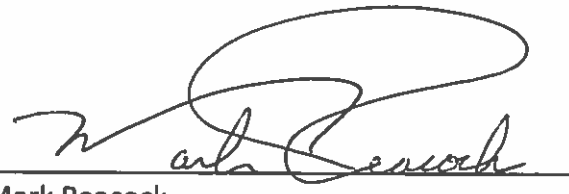
11. Adjournment

15. R. Doane – M. Bodnar

Moved that the meeting be adjourned.

CARRIED

  
Linda McKinlay  
Chair

  
Mark Peacock  
General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer

