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APPROVED MINUTES

**Board of Directors** **October 22, 2009** **9/09**

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**Present:** Alan Arbuckle David Crowley  
Steve Desroches Clive Doucet  
Ken Graham Ed Hand  
Michael McEwen Maria McRae  
John H. Miller Cathy Willoughby

**Staff:** Charles Billington Peter Goddard  
Dell Hallett Glen McDonald  
Don Maciver

**Regrets:** Glenn Brooks Andy Jozefowicz

1. **Declaration of Interest** None.

2. **Consent Agenda**

**Motion 1** **Moved by:** Michael McEwen  
**Seconded by:** David Crowley

That Agenda items #3, 6 and 10 be approved by consent of the Directors.

**Motion Carried**

3. **Approval of Minutes, September 24, 2009**

The minutes of Board of Directors Meeting, #8/09, September 24, 2009, are approved by consent.

4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

The recent resolution from Rideau Lakes Township requesting exemption from permit requirements has been satisfactorily resolved. The General Manager of Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority (which also serves RLT) led the discussions to develop a streamlined approach for both CAs. The Township will prepare a list of potential culvert replacements each Fall; the CAs will use an identical protocol to screen them and reply within three days. Service improved, job well done, municipal staff pleased.

5. **Meetings**

a) RVCA Joint Advisory Board Meeting, Wednesday, Oct 14, 2009

Cathy Willoughby and John Miller reported on the meeting. Staff prepared an excellent pre-meeting tour of projects in the Smiths Falls area including Motts Mills, Bellamy Pond, Rideau Ferry Yacht Club CA and the Perth Wildlife Reserve. The Board received several staff reports on activities in the Middle/Upper Board area and gave feedback on the preliminary 2010 Budget.

b) Conservation Ontario meeting, Monday, October 6, 2009

Alan reported on the 2010 CO preliminary budget which is now coming back for discussion in December. There will be an increase in levy to each CA (likely about \$3K for RVCA) for the umbrella services provided by CO. The Board considers RVCA levy a good investment.

c) Tri-Valley Awards Conservation Gala, Wednesday, October 21, 2009

Charles reported that 13 volunteer groups and individuals were recognized in front of a huge crowd by the Tri-Valley CAs (Mississippi, Rideau and South Nation) and their respective Foundations at the annual Conservation Gala held in Almonte Old Town Hall on the banks of the Mississippi. The event seems to be growing in stature and excitement. Many thanks to our loyal and generous sponsors who helped cover the costs of this great community evening.

6. **Accounts Paid, September 1 – 30, 2009**

The Accounts Paid, September 1 – 30, 2009, are approved by consent.

7. **Staff Report – RVCA Expenditure and Revenue Summary at September 30, 2009**

Dell answered Board questions about the leave account, the RVCA sick leave policy and how employees are made aware of it, and the possibility of checking the marketplace for better banking facilities.

**Motion 2**                      **Moved by:**                      Ken Graham  
   **Seconded by:**                      David Crowley

That the RVCA Expenditure and Revenue Summary for September 2009 be approved as presented.

**Motion Carried**

8. **Staff Report – Community Design Plan for the Village of Richmond and Mattamy Homes Official Plan Amendment Application**

Glen McDonald presented an information update on the Village of Richmond Community Design Plan and Mattamy Amendment Application. This is an extremely time-consuming project for everyone concerned.

It has been determined that a recently-constructed berm will have adverse flooding effects on neighbouring properties during a 1:100 year flood event. The Board discussed the defensibility of the RVCA findings, who is obligated to pay for all the extra work involved (CA does have the right to recoup extraordinary costs), the loss of agricultural lands to development, and about how RVCA handles new flood plain mapping between the time it is developed and the time it is approved at the Board. The Board also thanked Glen for his professional approach to this difficult file.

**Motion 3**                      **Moved by:**                      Ken Graham  
   **Seconded by:**                      John Miller

That the Board of Directors receive this report for information.

**Motion Carried**

9. **Staff Report – Activity Report – Ontario Regulation 174/06 (the “Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to Shorelines and Watercourses” Regulation) under Section 28 of the CA Act (January 01 to September 30, 2009)**

**Motion 4**                      **Moved by:**                      Cathy Willoughby  
   **Seconded by:**                      Maria McRae

That this report be received.

**Motion Carried**

10. **October Activity Reports**

Approved on consent.

11. **In-Camera**

**Motion 5**                      **Moved by:**                      Cathy Willoughby  
   **Seconded by:**                      Maria McRae

That the Board moves in camera.

**Motion Carried**

**Motion 6**                      **Moved by:**                      Steve Desroches  
   **Seconded by:**                  David Crowley

That the Board move out-of-camera.

**Motion Carried**

**Motion 7**                      **Moved by:**                      Michael McEwen  
   **Seconded by:**                  John Miller

That the existing lease to purchase with Nora Mahon for Pt 1&2 Lot 9, Conc. 6, Tay Valley Township (formerly North Burgess) Plan Ref #27R-9487 be valid and transferable to her daughter, Monica Hart and son, Kevin Mahon.

That section (i) of the 1999 lease to purchase stating “The Lessee will not assign or sublet the lands to any other person” be waived.

That a revised market appraisal is deemed not necessary as it is a lease to purchase agreement with a purchase price based on market value at the time of signing the lease, a total of \$3,000.00 for 0.13 ha of vacant property.

That all lease payments made to date be considered to have been paid by the new purchasers.

**Motion Carried**

**12. Member Inquiries**

Maria McRae wished to thank the Tri-Valley Conservation Committee for the nomination and the first place prize in the Municipal category for the City of Ottawa’s Spring and Fall Cleaning the Capital program; city officials and representatives are very pleased with the recognition.

Directors were informed about the costs per student to attend an Outdoor Education program at Baxter (\$7/student Full Day; \$4/student Half Day).

**13. New Business**

Dell presented the Staff Report from Michael Yee about Fish Habitat Compensation on Conservation Lands.

**Motion 8**                      **Moved by:**                      Maria McRae  
   **Seconded by:**                  David Crowley

That the Board of Directors endorse the principle of fish habitat compensation on conservation lands and direct staff to explore options on RVCA properties.

**Motion Carried**

**14. Upcoming Meetings**

- a) RVC Foundation Board of Directors, 7 pm, Monday, Nov 16, 2009
- b) RVCA Board of Directors, 7 pm, Thursday, November 26, 2009

**15. Adjournment**

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:00 pm on a motion by Ken Graham.

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**Alan Arbuckle**  
**Chair**

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**Charles Billington**  
**Recording Secretary**

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