



**Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**October 19 , 2000 at 1:30 pm
Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom
Morrison Dam Conservation Area**

12:30 pm Lunch
1:00 pm Information Session - Budget, Municipal Levy Process

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Chairman's Remarks
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest
4. Adoption of Minutes from September 21, 2000
5. Business Out of the Minutes
6. Program Reports
 - Report # 1: Development Review (Ont Regulation 46/95) - Ryan Hern *
 - Report # 2: Changes to Board Structure and Municipal Representation - Tom Prout *
 - Report # 3: Conservation Authorities of Ontario Mandate & Objectives - Tom Prout *
 - Report # 4: Financial Statement to September 30, 2000 - Nancy Becker
 - Report # 5: 2001 Forecast Budget - Tom Prout / Nancy Becker
7. Correspondence
8. New Business
9. Upcoming Meetings & Events
 - A.D. Latornell Symposium - October 23-25
 - "Things That Go Bump in the Night" Hike - October 28
10. Adjournment

* report enclosed with agenda

cc: Staff, M.P.'s, M.P.P.'s, MNR CA Operations, Member Municipalities, Media

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on September 21, 2000 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTES

1. Groundwater Monitoring Program

Anita Riddell advised that the Township of Stephen are in favour of supporting the Provincial Groundwater Monitoring Program.

PROGRAM REPORTS

1. Development Review (Ontario Regulation 46/95)

The report pursuant to Ontario Regulation 46/95, Fill, Construction and Alteration to Waterways Regulation was prepared by Ryan Hern, Regulations Coordinator. Staff granted permission to construct works within regulated areas for four *Minor Works* applications.

2. Changes to Board Structure and Municipal Representation

Tom Prout, General Manager presented the proposed ABCA Board of Directors structure as a result of upcoming municipal amalgamations. At the information sessions held earlier this year, municipal staff and councillors were presented with a scenario where there would be nine Board members appointed. This scenario was generally supported by all municipalities except North Middlesex. The Conservation Authorities Act states that where the population is less than 10,000, one representative will be appointed by the municipal council. At present, the population figures do not reflect the electoral population. Jim Love indicated that the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority provides services to seasonal residents so these population figures should be included.

MOTION #BD 96/00

Moved by Jim Love

Seconded by John Walsh

“RESOLVED, THAT the ABCA request the Province to amend the Conservation Authorities Act, Section 2 (2) regarding municipal representation to consider one representative for population up to 5,000 and two representatives for population of 5,000 to 10,000, and

FURTHER, THAT if no reply is received from the Province by January 1, 2001, that the proposed Board structure be approved with the appointment of nine representatives.”

Carried.

MOTION #BD 97/00

Moved by Jim Love
Seconded by John Walsh

“RESOLVED, THAT the recommendation to amend the ABCA Administration Regulations due to Board restructuring, be tabled.”

Carried.

3. Conservation Authorities of Ontario Mandate & Objectives

Tom Prout advised that the Ontario Conservation Authorities have united in a common mandate and list of objectives. The mandate and objectives is for marketing purposes to inform and educate the public about the role of conservation authorities across the province.

MOTION # 98/00

Moved by John Walsh
Seconded by Anita Riddell

“RESOLVED, THAT the ABCA adopt the standard Mandate and Objectives as set out by Conservation Ontario.”

Carried.

4. Financial Statement to September 30, 2000

Tom Prout presented the quarterly financial statement as prepared by Nancy Becker, Financial Services Coordinator.

MOTION #99/00

Moved by Bob Bell
Seconded by Ray Campbell

“RESOLVED, THAT the financial statement to September 30, 2000 be approved as presented.”

Carried.

5. 2001 Forecast Budget

Tom Prout, General Manager presented the Draft 2001 Budget. In drafting the 2001 budget the role of the ABCA was examined considering our position as the local conservation stewardship service provider and the growing number of partnerships required when doing business. If initiatives are to be pursued in the areas of environmental monitoring; watershed planning, programs and promotion; as well as partnerships and alternative funding, then it is proposed to increase the general levy by \$64,000.

Another factor affecting the 2001 Budget is the revised formula for distribution of conservation authority levy from discounted equalized assessment to current value assessment.



Changes to Board Structure and Municipal Representation

*Prepared for
Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority
Board of Directors*

*by Tom Prout, MPA
General Manager*

Date: October 19, 2000

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| CURRENT Municipal Structure | NEW Municipal Structure |
|--|--|
| Town of Clinton Goderich Twp. Hullett Twp. | Central Huron |
| Village of Bayfield Village of Zurich Village of Hensall Stanley Twp. Hay Twp. | Bluewater |
| Town of Seaforth Tuckersmith Twp. McKillop Twp. | Huron East (also includes Grey and Brussels) |
| Town of Exeter Usborne Twp. Stephen Twp. | South Huron |
| Town of Parkhill Village of Ailsa Craig East Williams Twp. West Williams Twp. McGillivray Twp. | North Middlesex |
| Perth South | Perth South |
| Lucan Biddulph | Lucan Biddulph |
| Middlesex Centre | Middlesex Centre |
| Adelaide | Adelaide Metcalfe |
| Warwick | Warwick (also includes Watford) |
| Town of Bosanquet Village of Grand Bend Village of Arkona Village of Thedford | Lambton Shores (also includes Forest) |
| West Perth | West Perth |

| Current Board Representation | Proposed Board Representation *see enclosed map |
|-------------------------------------|--|
| Clinton, Goderich | Clinton, Goderich, Hullett |
| Hullett, Seaforth, McKillop | Seaforth, McKillop, Tuckersmith |
| Hensall, Tuckersmith | |
| Bayfield, Stanley | Bayfield, Stanley, Hay, Zurich, Hensall |
| Hay, Zurich | |
| West Perth | West Perth |
| Grand Bend, Stephen | Grand Bend, Bosanquet, Thedford, Warwick, Arkona |
| Arkona, Thedford, Bosanquet | |
| Exeter, Osborne, Perth South | Exeter, Osborne, Stephen |
| Lucan Biddulph | Lucan Biddulph, Perth South |
| Middlesex Centre | Middlesex Centre, Adelaide |
| Adelaide, Warwick | |
| Parkhill, Ailsa Craig, McGillivray | East Williams, West Williams, Parkhill, Ailsa Craig, McGillivray |
| East Williams, West Williams | |

POPULATION AND ASSESSMENT IN WATERSHED

| Municipality | Total Population | Total Assessment | % Municipality in Watershed | Assessment in Watershed | Population in Watershed |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Central Huron | 7,528 | 364,274,489 | 24 | 87,425,877 | 1,807 |
| Huron East | 9,849 | 477,142,857 | 29 | 138,371,429 | 2,856 |
| Bluewater | 6,717 | 475,963,525 | 100 | 475,963,525 | 6,717 |
| South Huron | 10,095 | 540,414,448 | 94 | 507,989,582 | 9,500 |
| Lambton Shores | 10,565 | 847,044,027 | 62 | 525,167,297 | 6,550 |
| Warwick | 3,983 | 280,437,550 | 6 | 16,826,253 | 239 |
| Lucan Biddulph | 4,092 | 186,654,960 | 68 | 126,925,373 | 2,783 |
| Perth South | 4,243 | 408,634,237 | 1 | 4,086,342 | 424 |
| Middlesex Centre | 13,788 | 925,932,404 | 21 | 194,445,804 | 3,861 |
| Adelaide Metcalfe | 2,995 | 184,275,222 | 32 | 58,968,071 | 958 |
| North Middlesex | 6,658 | 351,681,714 | 100 | 351,681,714 | 6,658 |
| West Perth | 8,907 | 420,250,446 | 30 | 126,075,134 | 2,672 |

BACKGROUND

As a result of municipal restructuring the municipal representation/appointments to the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority's Board of Directors will need to be adjusted. The factors affecting the municipal appointments include:

- the Conservation Authorities Act which sets out details around municipal representation;
- there will be fewer municipalities, a reduction of 18, (from 29 to 11);
- population in watershed, Perth South and Warwick Twp. have a very small population in the watershed;
- property assessment - although property assessment is not set out in the Conservation Authorities Act as a factor in determining representation, it is helpful information to consider when grouping municipalities.

As part of our information sessions held with the member municipalities this year, a scenario was presented for their consideration and input. This scenario was generally supported by all municipalities. The exception was North Middlesex who supported the reduction in membership but suggested that they should have two representatives on the Board. Their reasoning was based on the number of km of the main Ausable River and Parkhill Creek located in the new municipality of North Middlesex and that the Parkhill Dam was located completely within the new municipality.

RECOMMENDATION

1. THAT the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority update its Administration Regulations as follows:
 - i) **Directors - Section 47**, Page 7 - shall be changed to reflect the attached grouping of municipalities for the purpose of appointments to the Board of Directors for the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority.
 - ii) **Revocation - Section 67**, Page 13
The revised Administration Regulation as per the Conservation Authorities Act R.S.O., Chapter C27; Bill 26, Savings & Restructuring Act, 1996; Bill 86, Better Local Government Act, 1996; Bill 106, Fair Municipal Finance Act, 1997 and incorporating all amendments to date be approved and the Administration Regulations of the Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority, dated *January 1, 1998* is hereby revoked.

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority
 Proposed Restructured ABCA Board of Directors Representation



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