



BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Thursday, September 16, 2021

**Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Administration Centre
Morrison Dam Conservation Area**

VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE

10:00 a.m.

AGENDA

1. Chair's Welcome and Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Discloser of Pecuniary Interest
4. Disclosure of intention to record this meeting by video and/or audio device
5. Adoption of Minutes from July 15, 2021
6. Business Out of the Minutes
7. **Program Reports**
 - Report 1: (a) Development Review (O Reg147/06) - Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk
(b) Violations/Appeals Update – Daniel King/Geoff Cade
 - Report 2: Stewardship Funding Project Review – Nathan Schoelier/Angela Van Niekerk
 - Report 3: Triebner Tract Restoration Project – Nathan Schoelier/Ian Jean
 - Report 4: Walker Drain Investigation Tender – Ross Wilson
 - Report 5: Morrison Dam Safety Railing Tender – Ross Wilson
 - Report 6: CA Act Update – Kate Monk/Brian Horner
8. **Committee Reports**
 - Arkona Lions Museum Management Committee – Abigail Gutteridge
9. Correspondence
10. New Business
11. **Committee of the Whole** – *legal matter*
12. Adjournment

75th Anniversary Luncheon to follow at Ironwood Golf Club

Upcoming Meetings and Events

- October 14, 2021 – Budget Committee Meeting at 9:30 a.m.
October 21, 2021 – Board of Directors Meeting at 10:00 a.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Thursday, July 15, 2021

Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority Boardroom
Morrison Dam Conservation Area

VIA VIDEO CONFERENCE

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Ray Chartrand, Doug Cook, Adrian Cornelissen, Bob Harvey, Dave Jewitt, Mike Tam, Marissa Vaughan, Alex Westman

DIRECTORS ABSENT

George Irvin

STAFF PRESENT

Geoff Cade, Donna Clarkson Tina Crown, Abbie Gutteridge, Brian Horner, Daniel King, Tracey McPherson, Kate Monk, Sharon Pavkeje, Nathan Schoelier, Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Mari Veliz

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Doug Cook called the virtual meeting to order at 10:03 a.m. and welcomed everyone in attendance.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #BD 81/21

**Moved Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the agenda for the July 15, 2021 Board of Directors Meeting be approved,”

Carried.

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

There were no disclosures of pecuniary interest at this meeting or from the previous meeting.

DISCLOSURE OF INTENTION TO RECORD

Chair Cook noted that this meeting was being recorded on Zoom for temporary posting online, and is not an official record. The official record of this meeting will be the approved minutes.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES**MOTION #BD 82/21**

**Moved by Adrian Cornelissen
Seconded by Marissa Vaughan**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on June 17, 2021 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTES

None

PROGRAM REPORTS1. (a) Development Review

Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Planning & Regulations Officer, presented the Development Review report pursuant to Ontario Regulation 147/06 *Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses*. Through the application process, proposed developments within regulated areas are protected from flooding and erosion hazards. Staff granted permission for 18 *Applications for Permission* and 8 *Minor Works Applications*.

MOTION #BD 83/21

**Moved by Alex Westman
Seconded by Ray Chartrand**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Board of Directors affirm the approval of applications as presented in Program Report # 1 – a) Development Review.”

Carried.

(b) Violations/Appeals Update

Daniel King, Regulations Coordinator, advised that the group of violations in Lambton Shores are beginning to move forward. There are also two new violations in Central Huron, including one on the shoreline and one along the Bayfield River. Staff are optimistic that one can be resolved; however, one may go to the courts for resolution.

MOTION #BD 84/21

**Moved by Bob Harvey
Seconded by Mike Tam**

“RESOLVED, THAT the report on Violations and Appeals be received as presented.”

Carried.

2. Stewardship Funding Project Review

Nathan Schoelier, Stewardship Technician, presented a report on stewardship funding to the Board of Directors. He noted that two wetland projects and one sediment reduction project were approved for

funding through the Canada Nature Fund. In addition, two wetland projects were approved for funding through the EcoAction program.

MOTION #BD 85/21

**Moved by Marissa Vaughan
Seconded by Adrian Cornelissen**

“RESOLVED, THAT the reports on Stewardship project funding be received as presented.”

Carried.

3. Healthy Watersheds – Priority Watershed Work

Mari Veliz, Healthy Watersheds Manager, presented a report and presentation on some of the monitoring efforts at Huronview Farm and Gully Creek to better understand the relationship between water, sediment and nutrient runoff, soil health and crop yield. In working with many partners over the past decade, including provincial ministries, Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association, and the University of Guelph, some connections are being made between field practices and downstream water quality. Some information that local producers continue to be interested in include nutrient reductions, seed drill calibration for efficient application of cover crop seeds, profitability mapping, soil health metrics, assessing the effectiveness of wetlands and contour drainage at Huronview, and cover crops and flow generation.

Appropriate monitoring will show if these practices translate to reduced flow. Open dialogue between all stakeholders will continue to be important so both site and watershed effectiveness of agricultural best management practices are understood.

MOTION #BD 86/21

**Moved by Alex Westman
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the report on the Healthy Watersheds Priority Watershed Work be received as presented.”

Carried.

4. Profit & Loss Statement

Brian Horner, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, provided the profit and loss statement to June 30, 2021 including a projection for the remaining six months of 2021.

MOTION #BD 87/21

**Moved by Dave Jewitt
Seconded by Ray Chartrand**

“RESOLVED, THAT the financial statement to June 30, 2021 be received as presented.”

Carried.

5. Draft ABCA Five-Year Forecast

Brian Horner presented the proposed five-year forecast for 2022 – 2026, using a wage increase of 1.5 per cent. The overall increase for the general levy is forecast at 2.26 per cent and the project levy at 9.85 per cent.

MOTION #BD 88/21**Moved by Dave Jewitt
Seconded by Marissa Vaughan**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Five Year Forecast be approved as presented and distributed to the member municipalities for their information.”

Carried.**PRESENTATION**

Abbie Gutteridge, Corporate Services Coordinator, presented a draft video slide show to the Board of Directors, documenting 75 years of conservation efforts in our watershed. Once completed, this video will be debuted on social media platforms on July 30, 2021.

COMMITTEE REPORTS**MOTION #BD 89/21****Moved by Mike Tam
Seconded by Alex Westman**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held on May 26, 2021 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.**MOTION #BD 90/21****Moved by Ray Chartrand
Seconded by Bob Harvey**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Water Response Team meeting held on June 3, 2021 and the motions therein be approved as circulated.”

Carried.**CORRESPONDANCE**

- a) Reference: Retirement Letter to Huron East CAO
File: A.5.5
Brief: ABCA sent congratulations to Huron East CAO Brad Knight upon his retirement. Congratulations were also passed to Brad McRoberts in his new position as CAO.
- b) Reference: Letter of Thanks to Clinton Lions Club
File: L.9.35
Brief: ABCA sent a letter of thanks to the Clinton Lions Club who have taken care of maintenance at the Clinton Conservation Area for many years. The Club will be disbanding this fall, but will continue to undertake maintenance duties at the conservation area until the end of September 2021.

- c) Reference: Submission to MECP
File: A.5.8
Brief: On behalf of the Board of Directors, ABCA staff provided comments to the MECP through the Environmental Registry of Ontario, regarding the Phase 1 Regulation Changes to the *Conservation Authorities Act*.
- d) Reference: Notification of new Provincial Ministers
File: A.7.2
Brief: Conservation Ontario provided notification to all Conservation Authorities regarding the cabinet shuffle at the Province. New Ministers include David Piccinni for the MECP, Greg Rickford for MNRF, and Lisa Thompson for OMAFRA.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Brian Horner provided a brief update on the Conservation Authorities Act changes, and noted that the regulations were to be out by August. Kate Monk noted that the new MECP Minister attended the working group meeting and had positive remarks. She reported that he is very familiar with Eastern Ontario conservation authorities and with rural landscapes. Once the new regulations are enacted, conservation authorities will have 60 days to present a transition plan and inventory of programs to their member municipalities.
2. Brian Horner reported that the ABCA received approval for three WECI projects, and will be notifying municipalities about involvement.

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:07 a.m.

Doug Cook
Chair

Abigail Gutteridge
Corporate Services Coordinator

*Copies of program reports are available upon request.
Contact Abigail Gutteridge, Corporate Services Coordinator*

ABCA Program Report

To: Board of Directors
Date: September 16, 2021
From: Meghan Tydd-Hrynyk, Planning & Regulations Officer
Subject: Development Review Ontario Regulation 147/06
- Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alteration to
Shorelines and Watercourses

Applications for Permission

The following *Applications for Permission* have been submitted to our Authority for permission to construct works within areas regulated by our Authority.

* A Coastal Assessment was required as part of the application

- (1) Darcy & Danielle Hayter (#2021-74) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former Township of Bosanquet) - permission to construct a shed in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on June 25, 2021.
Completed Application Received: May 31, 2021
- (2) Anwar & Shakoor Dean (#2020-45A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - extension of permission to repair and replace armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 7, 2021.
- (3) Dan Jenken (#2020-31B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - extension of permission to construct armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 16, 2021.
- (4) Michelle Anjema (#2021-83) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.
Completed Application Received: May 18, 2021
- (5) Sharyn Smith (#2021-84A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.
Completed Application Received: May 18, 2021
- (6) William Roney (#2021-84B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: May 28, 2021

- (7) Cheryl Howe (#2021-84C) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: May 31, 2021

- (8) Mike Yeo (#2021-85A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: May 25, 2021

- (9) Jane McIver (#2021-85B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: May 25, 2021

- (10) Shelley Smith (#2021-85C) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: April 16, 2021

- (11) Allen Bell & Ola Dunin-Bell (#2021-85D) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to construct replacement armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 22, 2021.

Completed Application Received: April 16, 2021

- (12) Anwar & Shakoor Dean (#2021-80) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to replace existing shore protection with steel was granted by Authority Staff on July 28, 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 27, 2021

- (13) Michael Shea* (#2021-90A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 8 2021

- (14) Skylar Van Osch* (#2021-90B) Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 8 2021

- (15) Catherine Purdom* (#2021-90C) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 8 2021

- (16) Mark Schwartz* (#2021-90D) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (17) Brad & Janice Schwartz* (#2021-90E) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (18) Duncan Sinclair* (#2021-90F) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (19) John McCloskey, Lynn Panin & Susan Babiarz* (#2021-90G) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (20) Kathryn Bewley* (#2021-90H) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (21) Gerald & Alice MacLean* (#2021-90I) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to construct steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 29 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 8 2021
- (22) 588922 Ontario Inc c/o Pete Vanderweerd (#2021-86) - Municipality of South Huron (former Township of Stephen) - permission to construct an addition to an existing shop in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 29, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 28, 2021
- (23) Sharyn Smith & Rob Teasdale (#2021-87) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to reconstruct an existing dwelling in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 29, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 7, 2021
- (24) Lillian & Michael Sawchuk (#2021-75A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021

- (25) Janet McAuliffe (#2021-75B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (26) Peter & Mary Downs (#2021-75C) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (27) Don & Mary Salata (#2021-75D) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (28) Daniel Wlock (#2021-75E) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (29) Joe & Nancy Vink (#2021-75F) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (30) Jane Phillips (#2021-75G) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to install new armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 30, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (31) Municipality of Middlesex Centre c/o GM BluePlan Eng. (#2021-88) - Municipality of Middlesex Centre (former Township of London) - permission to replace an existing culvert was granted by Authority Staff on August 4, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 13, 2021
- (32) Municipality of Middlesex Centre c/o GM BluePlan Eng. (#2021-91) - Municipality of Middlesex Centre (former Township of Lobo) - permission to replace an existing culvert was granted by Authority Staff on August 4, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 13, 2021
- (33) Municipality of Central Huron c/o BM Ross & Associates. (#2021-89) - Municipality of Central Huron (former Township of Goderich) - permission to replace an existing culvert was granted by Authority Staff on August 4, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 12, 2021

- (34) Dave Hannon (#2020-41A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - extension of permission to repair and replace secondary retaining wall was granted by Authority Staff on August 10, 2021.
- (35) Ravi Taneja (#2021-57A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to replace existing shore protection with steel was granted by Authority Staff on August 23, 2021. Completed Application Received: August 23, 2021
- (36) Carolyn Walsh (#2021-57B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to replace existing shore protection with steel was granted by Authority Staff on August 23, 2021. Completed Application Received: August 23, 2021
- (37) Margaret MacDougall (#2021-57C) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to replace existing shore protection with steel was granted by Authority Staff on August 23, 2021. Completed Application Received: August 23, 2021
- (38) Omar Srour Holdings Inc. (#2021-57D) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Hay) - permission to replace existing shore protection with steel was granted by Authority Staff on August 23, 2021. Completed Application Received: August 23, 2021
- (39) Bluehaven Beach Cottagers Association c/o John Markvoort (#2021-82) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to install steel shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on August 25, 2021. Completed Application Received: August 24, 2021
- (40) Brad Boere (#2021-92A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to install armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on August 30, 2021. Completed Application Received: July 13, 2021
- (41) John Looby (#2021-92B) - Municipality of Bluewater (former Township of Stanley) - permission to install armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on August 30, 2021. Completed Application Received July 13, 2021.
- (42) Lee & Shelley Dorssers (#2021-93) - Municipality of West Perth (former Township of Hibbert) - permission to reconstruct an existing building, replace the septic system and construct a new shed was granted by Authority Staff on September 2, 2021. Completed Application Received August 31, 2021.

Minor Works Permits

- (1) Jen Bibbings c/o Merner Contracting (MW#2021-65) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to install a replacement septic system in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 9, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 24, 2021
- (2) Sherry Conlin-Greer (MW#2021-64) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to new trailer in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 9, 2021.
Completed Application Received: May 31, 2021
- (3) Bill Robinson (MW#2021-66) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to construct a roof over an existing deck in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 12, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 22, 2021
- (4) Waldemar Domanski (MW#2021-67) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to replace a trailer in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 14, 2021
- (5) Waldemar Domanski (MW#2021-67) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to replace a trailer in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 14, 2021
- (6) Piotr Damulewicz (MW#2021-69) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to replace trailer in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 28, 2021
- (7) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-70) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 7, 2021
- (8) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-71) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 7, 2021

- (9) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-72) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 7, 2021
- (10) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-73) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 13, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 7, 2021
- (11) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-61) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 14, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (12) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-62) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 14, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (13) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-63) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 14, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 8, 2021
- (14) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-74) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on July 14, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 28, 2021
- (15) Jason Wharram (MW#2021-76) - Municipality of South Huron (former township of Stephen) - permission to build a gazebo in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 14, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 4, 2021
- (16) Dan Maguire (MW#2021-75) - Municipality of Lucan Biddulph (former township of Biddulph) - permission to install a new septic system in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 21, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 25, 2021
- (17) Zoltan Kurti (MW#2021-78) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to construct a new deck in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on July 21, 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 12, 2021

- (18) Justin Cowley (MW#2021-80) - Municipality of Central Huron (former township of Goderich) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 25, 2021
- (19) Diana Hull (MW#2020-50A) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Hay) - extension of permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
- (20) Warren Wolfenden (MW#2021-81) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 14, 2021
- (21) Karen Ward (MW#2021-82) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 14, 2021
- (22) Norman Yu (MW#2021-83) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 16, 2021
- (23) Rod Lough (MW#2021-84) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on July 27, 2021.
Completed Application Received: June 25, 2021
- (24) Paula Tutman Menifee & Johnny Menifee (MW#2021-85) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Hay) - permission to construct entryway and undertake interior renovations was granted by Authority Staff on July 28, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 22, 2021
- (25) Matt Runge (MW#2021-77) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to construct a deck and pool was granted by Authority Staff on July 29, 2021.
Completed Application Received: July 23, 2021
- (26) Danielle Nethercott (MW#2021-86) - Municipality of North Middlesex (former township of West Williams) - permission to trench and connect to existing sanitary sewers in a regulated area granted by Authority Staff on August 6, 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 29, 2021

- (27) Rachel & Justin Nguyen (MW#2021-87) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to repair existing armour stone shore protection was granted by Authority Staff on August 18, 2021.

Completed Application Received: August 16, 2021

- (28) Douglas O'Neil (MW#2021-90) - Municipality of Middlesex Centre (former township of London) - permission to install an agricultural access was granted by Authority Staff on August 27, 2021.

Completed Application Received: August 20, 2021

- (29) Meinen Custom Homes (MW#2021-88) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Goderich) - permission to construct covered porch in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on August 24, 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 21, 2021

- (30) Paul Bunyan Campground c/o Brad Boere (MW#2021-89) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to install new trailer, deck and hard awning in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on August 25, 2021.

Completed Application Received: August 9, 2021

- (31) H & H Aluminum Structures Inc c/o Bryan Taylor (MW#2021-91) - Municipality of Bluewater (former township of Stanley) - permission to install hard awning in a regulated area was granted by Authority Staff on August 26, 2021.

Completed Application Received: August 13, 2021

- (32) Execulink c/o Shane Hughes (MW#2021-92) - Municipality of Lambton Shores (former township of Bosanquet) - permission to directionally drill fibre cables under watercourse was granted by Authority Staff on August 26, 2021.

Completed Application Received: July 19, 2021

ABCA Program Report

To: Board of Directors
From: Nathan Schoelier, Stewardship & Conservation Lands Manager
Angela Van Niekerk, Wetland Specialist
Re: Canada Nature Fund Projects
Restoration and mitigation for Ausable River Species at Risk (SAR) in Ontario
Date: September 16, 2021

Background

The draft Ausable River Recovery Action Plan (2018) has reconfirmed that the two main threats to aquatic species at risk (SAR) in the Ausable River are nutrient enrichment and sediment deposition. The primary goal of this multi-year project is to improve aquatic habitat in the Ausable River for SAR freshwater mussels and fishes.

Fisheries and Oceans Canada (DFO) is providing \$213,000 in funding for the 2021-2022 project year. Stewardship activities will include working with watershed residents for up to five wetland restorations; up to 17 tree planting sites; up to 12,000 acres of cover crops; and up to five sediment and nutrient reduction activities (fencing out livestock and WASCOBS). As well as monitoring SAR fish and the SAR mussel fish hosts at six long term index stations and education and outreach in the Ausable River watersheds.

Funding rate is 50% of project costs. However, where projects meet the eligibility requirements of both programs the federal and provincial funding can be stacked to recover up to 100% of project costs.

The following are the project categories and grant ceilings per project.

Project type	Grant rate	Maximum grant per person
Fragile Land Retirement	50%	\$4,000
Wetland Restoration	50%	\$5,000
Sediment and Nutrient Reduction Activities	50%	\$5,000
Livestock Access Restriction	50%	\$4,000
Cover Crops	\$15/acre	\$1,500

Applications for funding: WETLAND RESTORATION

The following applications for funding have been received and approved by ABCA staff.

CANADA NATURE FUND				
File #	Name	Location	Details	Grant
AB-3094	Roberts, Tracey & Garret	Lot 18, Con 5, East Williams	Restoring 0.35 acre marsh area in low wet area inside buffer of trees. Wetland outlets to Bear Creek. This marsh will provide more water storage and provide habitat for waterfowl.	\$3,500 CNF Matched with DUC, Landowner.
AB-3095	Penhale, Mark	Lot 11, Con 8, Usborne	Retiring an acre of wet agricultural field adjacent to a woodlot and swamp. Creating two wetlands in low basin areas of the field. Marsh areas will provide water storage, prevent flooding and erosion and provide a stopover area for migrating waterfowl. Water will infiltrate and work its way through to Winchelsea Drain.	\$5,000 CNF Matched with DUC, Landowner.

Total Canada Nature Fund: \$16,000 of \$18,200 approved (Fisheries and Oceans Canada)
 (Some past approved projects have been been post poned to next year (Strapps, and Schoeley) and Popovic was cancelled.)

Applications for funding: SEDIMENT AND NUTRIENT REDUCTION ACTIVITES

The following applications for funding have been received and approved by ABCA staff.

CANADA NATURE FUND				
File #	Name	Location	Details	Grant
AB-3053	Gysbers Farms Ltd. (c/o John Gysbers)	Lot 26, Conc. 7 ECR, McGillivray Twp., North Middlesex. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	Erosion control certified contractor to construct a sediment and nutrient control berm to reduce overland erosion in agricultural field.	\$5000 CNF Landowner to cover remaining funds of \$6874.01

Total Canada Nature Fund: \$18 059.50 of \$23,000 approved (Fisheries and Oceans Canada)

Applications for funding: FRAGILE LAND RETIREMENT

The following applications for funding have been received and approved by ABCA staff.

CANADA NATURE FUND				
File #	Name	Location	Details	Grant
<i>No projects to be approved at this meeting</i>				

Total Canada Nature Fund: \$0.00 of \$46,000 approved (Fisheries and Oceans Canada)

Applications for funding: COVER CROPS

The following applications for funding have been received and approved by ABCA staff.

CANADA NATURE FUND				
File #	Name	Location	Details	Grant
AB-3029	Boersma, Don	Conc. 1, Pt. Lot 11, Hay Twp, Bluewater. <i>Black Creek sub-watershed</i>	25 acres of cover crops. Oats, clover, radish.	\$375 CNF Combined with \$375 HCWP funding.
AB-3034	Miner, John	Conc. 3, Lot 11, Usborne Twp., South Huron. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	25 acres of cover crops. Oats, radish, red clover.	\$375 CNF <i>Combined with \$375 HCWP funding.</i>
AB-3035	Miner, John	Conc. 4, Lot 12, Usborne Twp., South Huron. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	50 acres of cover crops. Oats, radish, red clover.	\$750 CNF <i>Combined with \$750 HCWP funding.</i>
AB-3055	Boersma, Don	Conc. 2, Lot 32, Usborne Twp., South Huron. <i>Black Creek sub-watershed.</i>	60 acres of cover crops. Oats, clover, radish.	\$900 CNF <i>Combined with \$900 HCWP funding.</i>
AB-3059	McCann, David	Conc. 10, Lot 8, McGillivray Twp., North Middlesex. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	40 acres of cover crops. Oats, peas, radish.	\$600 CNF
AB-3062	Horn, Jeff	Conc. 2, Lot 9, Usborne Twp., South Huron. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	100 acres of cover crops. Oats, peas, sunflowers.	\$1500 CNF <i>Combined with \$1500 HCWP funding.</i>
AB-3066	Johnson, Jack	Conc. 12, W. Pt. Lot 16, West Williams Twp., North Middlesex. <i>Lower Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	32 acres of cover crops. Barley, peas, triticale.	\$480 CNF
AB-3068	Johnson, Jack	Conc. 12, E. Pt. Lot 16, West Williams Twp., North Middlesex. <i>Lower Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	20 acres of cover crops. Barley, peas, triticale.	\$300 CNF
AB-3069	Jones, William	Conc. 10, S. Pt. Lot 8, Lobo, Middlesex Centre.	35 acres of cover crops. Cereal rye, hairy vetch, crimson clover.	\$525 CNF

		<i>Nairn Creek sub-watershed.</i>		
AB-3071	Breimer, Jan	Conc. 19, Pts. 21-24., West Williams, North Middlesex. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	98 acres of cover crops. Oats, cereal rye, pearl millet, Austrian winter peas, faba beans, sunflower, flax, phacelia.	\$1470 CNF
AB-3072	Cann, Nathan	Conc. 8, Lot 26, Usborne Twp., South Huron. <i>Ausable Headwaters sub-watershed.</i>	43 acres of cover crops. Oats, crimson clover, radish.	\$645 CNF <i>Combined with \$645 HCWP funding.</i>
AB-3076	McAlpine, Don	Conc. 5 ECR, Lot 21, McGillivray, North Middlesex. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	84 acres of cover crops. Oats, cereal rye, pearl millet, Austrian winter peas, faba beans, sunflower, flax, phacelia	\$1260 CNF
AB-3113	Cornelis, Gerard	Conc. 2 ECR, Lots 30, 31, East Williams, North Middlesex. <i>Nairn Creek sub-watershed.</i>	154 acres of cover crops. Oats, radish, wheat.	\$1500 CNF.
AB-3114	Mahon, Paul	Conc. 19 ECR, Lots 15, 16, East Williams, North Middlesex. <i>Upper Ausable sub-watershed.</i>	165 acres of cover crops. Oats, radish, sunflowers, phacelia.	\$1500 CNF.

**Total Canada Nature Fund:
Oceans Canada)**

\$12 180 of \$20,000 approved (Fisheries and

ABCA Program Report

To: Board of Directors
From: Angela Van Niekerk, Wetland Specialist
Re: Conservation Ontario ECCC Fund
Ausable River Recovery Strategy - Land Stewardship
Date: September 16th, 2021

Background

ABCF seeks to restore the Ausable and Bayfield watershed area by working with the community to implement restoration projects such as riparian buffers, wetlands and prairie habitat and adopting best management practices such as cover crops, grassed waterways and permanent vegetation cover.

Environment Canada and Climate Changes is providing \$5,000 in funding for the 2021-2022 project year. This is the first year of a two-year grant for this project. Stewardship activities will include working with watershed residents to create and enhance water storage and water filtration on the landscape, and plant native trees and shrubs.

Funding rate is 50% of project costs. However, where projects meet the eligibility requirements of both programs the federal and provincial funding can be stacked to recover up to 100% of project costs.

The following are the project categories and grant ceilings per project.

Project type	Grant rate	Maximum grant per person
Fragile Land Retirement	50%	\$5,000
Wetland Restoration	50%	\$5,000

Applications for funding: WETLAND RESTORATION

The following applications for funding have been received and approved by ABCA staff.

ECOACTION PROGRAM				
File #	Name	Location	Details	Grant
AB-3093	Kootstra, Rick	Lot 38, Con 1 HRS, Huron East	Restore/create up to 1 to 2 acres of marsh in moist meadow adjacent to a 3 acre swamp.	\$5,000 (ECCC), Matching funds: DUC, HCWP, ERB, Landowner

Total CO ECCC September 2021: \$5,000.00 of \$5,000 (Environment and Climate Change Canada)

ABCA Report

To: Board of Directors
From: Nathan Schoelier, Stewardship and Conservation Lands Manager
Re: Ian Jean, Forestry and Land Stewardship Specialist
Date: Triebner Tract Restoration Project
September 16, 2021

Background

The Ausable Bayfield Conservation Authority (ABCA) owns the 100-acre Triebner Tract at the southeast corner of Ausable Line and MacDonald Road (Conc. 4, Lot 5 Hay Ward of Municipality of Bluewater) in the Upper Ausable sub-watershed. The ABCA purchased the property from the Triebner family in 2009 with the goal of protecting and improving Hay Swamp, a Provincially Significant Wetland. Funding was provided by the ABCA, Nature Conservancy of Canada and Ducks Unlimited.

Previously, the least-productive ten acres of farmland, adjacent to the Hay Swamp Provincially Significant Wetland was restored to a natural state. The restoration included tree planting and the creation of wetlands to capture run-off from the agricultural field. From MacDonald Rd., the success of these projects is evident.

Tenant farmers rent approximately thirty acres of agricultural land; this is the remaining agricultural land on the property. The current, multiple-year lease with the tenant farmers expires at the end of 2021. Due to the poor, unproductive nature of the agricultural land on the property, the ABCA has spent money on contractors to help with drainage in a couple of sites throughout the field. These attempts at improving drainage were at the request of the tenant farmer. The agricultural land is of poor quality, especially towards the west end of the field, ponded water may be observed throughout the seasons.

The agricultural lands on this property would be suitable to restore into natural habitat, such as trees and wetlands. The property could also be demonstration area for the public to learn more about restoration techniques.

Proper drainage of the farm has never been achieved and would require significant investment; restoration of wetlands and forest on the site will complement the nearby Hay Swamp Provincially Significant Wetland. Hay Swamp occupies the western half of the property and over 1000 hectares on adjacent properties. Additional environmental benefits of a restoration project include, but are not limited to:

- Increased surface water holding capacity in restored wetlands will help to mitigate downstream flooding during high runoff and high flow events and allow for groundwater recharge.
- Restoring forests, wetlands and prairie meadow will create wildlife habitat diversity and a connecting corridor between Hay Swamp and an adjacent upland forest.

- Enhance tree and wildlife species diversity through planting a variety of tree species including oaks, hickory and tulip tree and other regionally rare trees.
- Trees planted on the project site will sequester carbon as they grow. An area on the property would be set aside for ongoing planting associated with ABCA's Footprints to Forests carbon offset program.
- ABCA forests are publicly accessible for hiking and nature appreciation. Hunting is also a permitted use within Hay Swamp ABCA owned forested tracts. The restored habitat will provide additional opportunities for outdoor recreation.

Additional opportunities for the site include, but are not limited to:

- Outdoor education programming, including, planting trees and wetland plants and ongoing study of planted trees, restored wetlands and prairie.
- Butternut Seed Orchard: The Forest Gene Conservation Association has established five Butternut Seed Orchards in Ontario. Orchard trees are grown from grafts from healthy butternut trees with potential resistance to butternut canker, which is killing butternut throughout its range. The goal is to grow trees in order to produce butternut canker resistant seed for replanting. FGCA is looking for additional orchard sites and has expressed interest in collaborating with the ABCA to establish a Butternut Seed Orchard to fulfill a geographical gap in their program, in this area of Southwestern Ontario.

Recommendations

Recommended that, the ABCA retire the 30 acres of farmland at the Triebner Tract from farming and restore to natural conditions.

And further, that ABCA staff collaborate with other environmental organizations and apply for external funding to assist with the costs.

ABCA Project Report

To: Board of Directors
Date: September 16, 2021
From: Ross Wilson, Water and Soils Resource Coordinator
Geoff Cade, Water & Planning Manager

Subject: Walker Drain Investigation

The 2021 ABCA budget, supplemented with successful provincial WECI grants, included funding for an investigation into the status of the wire structures protecting the Walker Drain from erosion. Staff have previously identified some accelerated deterioration during annual inspections. An engineering investigation is required to identify and document the nature and extent of this deterioration and the effect on the structural integrity of the works.

On August 19, staff sent requests for quotations to qualified service providers with a closing date of September 9. Staff will review the quotations on September 10 and present the results at the September 16, 2021 board of directors meeting.

ABCA Project Report

To: Board of Directors
Date: September 16, 2021
From: Ross Wilson, Water and Soils Resource Coordinator
Geoff Cade, Water & Planning Manager

Subject: Morrison Dam Safety Railings

The 2021 ABCA budget, supplemented with successful provincial WECI grants, included funding for the replacement of the Morrison Dam Safety Railings. The old railings are constructed from wood and do not meet health and safety requirements. New ones are required that contribute to improved public safety around dams.

On August 19, staff sent requests for quotations to qualified service providers with a closing date of September 9. Staff will review the quotations on September 10 and present the results at the September 16, 2021 board of directors meeting.

ABCA Program Report

To: Board of Directors
Date: September 16, 2021
From: Brian Horner, General Manager/Secretary Treasurer
Subject: Conservation Authorities Act - Update

Part 1: Transition Plan Timeline – 2021

Legislative Requirements for the Transition Plan

- Preparation of an inventory of the CA's programs and services
- Consultation by the CA with participating municipalities on the inventory of programs and services
- Steps to be taken to enter into an agreement with the participating municipality where provision of the program or services requires capital costs or operating costs

End of Summer – Mid Fall, 2021

- 1. Develop workplan/timeline for developing inventory and reaching agreements**
 - Consider steps necessary to develop the Program and Service Inventory
 - Consider budget process timelines for each municipality and their timing expectations to assist with developing realistic timelines
 - Discuss coordination with neighbouring CA's that share a participating municipality
 - Consider meeting with municipality CAO/assigned staff leads to discuss any initial questions, concerns or issues.

End of Summer – End of Fall, 2021

- 2. Develop Program and Service Inventory**

(Note: Additional consultation on the inventory will occur as part of the 2023 budget approval meetings/process and as agreements are negotiated)

Mid Fall – December 31, 2021

- 3. Circulate workplan/timeline and inventory to Municipalities**

- Consider circulation as “for your information” and provide opportunity for response/identification concerns within # of days
- Consider circulation of a finalized workplan/timeline and inventory as soon as possible
- Emphasize the efficiency of utilizing the 2023 budget approval process to reach agreements on the details

- 4. Submit Transition Plan to Province by the end of December, must include: CA program and service inventory, materials supporting consultation with participating municipalities, and steps to enter into any agreements with**

participating municipalities for funding of authority determined programs and services

5. Transition Plan available to the public

Part 2: MOUs/Agreements

Winter – Summer, 2022

- 6. Consultation and municipal agreements obtained through the 2023 budget planning process**
- 7. Prepare required Spring and Summer quarterly reports on status of progress made in attaining agreements with municipalities. Submit to Minister and make them public.** (March 31st and June 30th) Note: CO is developing a reporting template/guidance for authorities to follow for consistency and clarity in Fall 2021

Late Summer – Early Fall, 2022

- 8. Prepare/Submit quarterly report to Minister and make public (September 30th)**
 - Consider preparing this report early as it will advise whether an extension request is necessary
 - Optional Request for Extension – Written requests are proposed to include:
 - o The length of the extension requested
 - o The steps the CA has taken to implement its transition plan and enter into agreements with municipalities
 - o Rational for requesting an extension.

October 1, 2022 (Deadline for Extension Request to Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (ie at least 90 days before the end date of the transition period)

Summer 2022 – January 1, 2023

- 9. Meetings with municipal staff as necessary to finalize all Category 2 and 3 agreements further to an Municipal Council direction** (Category 2 and 3 are where MOU agreements may be needed)

January 1, 2023 – Transition Period ends

All required conservation authority/municipal agreements would need to be in place, and the transition to the new funding model for conservation authorities and municipalities would be reflected in authority budgets for 2023 in compliance with the new legislation.

MINUTES

ARKONA LIONS MUSEUM MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Monday, August 19, 2021
9:30 a.m.**

**Arkona Lions Museum and Information Centre
Rock Glen Conservation Area**

MEMBERS PRESENT

Glenn Stott - Arkona Lions Club
Bob O'Donnell - Museum Curator
Bob Harvey – ABCA

MEMBERS ABSENT

Doug Cook - ABCA

OTHERS PRESENT

Kate Monk, Abigail Gutteridge, Denise Iszczuk, Tony Drinkwalter – ABCA Staff

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Glenn Stott called the meeting to order at 9:32 a.m. and welcomed everyone to the first in person meeting since the beginning of the pandemic.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

MOTION #MC 4/21

**Moved by Bob Harvey
Seconded by Bob O'Donnell**

“RESOLVED, THAT the Arkona Lions Museum Management Committee agenda for August 19, 2021 be approved.”

Carried.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

MOTION #MC 5/21

**Moved by Bob Harvey
Seconded by Bob O'Donnell**

“RESOLVED, THAT the minutes of the Arkona Lions Museum Management Committee meeting of March 29, 2021 be approved.”

Carried.

BUSINESS OUT OF THE MINUTES

Kate Monk and Glenn Stott reported that the two events that had been planned for 2021, the Grand Re-Opening of the Museum/Ted Baxter Day and the Classic Car Show, will not be going ahead. The museum upgrades and renovation of the displays will not be completed in time for the museum to open, and there is not enough staff and volunteers to be present at the museum to maintain COVID-19 protocols. While the Classic Car Show is an outdoor event, it does draw large crowds, which is not ideal for maintaining physical distancing. These events are planned to go ahead in 2022.

2021 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Abigail Gutteridge presented the profit and loss statement for the Arkona Lions Museum and Information Centre for the first half of 2021. Of note, there was \$7500 listed under the Project Levy, which is reserved for the new accessible door leading to the Education area of the Information Centre, as well as the walkway and ramp. An application for a permit for the work has been submitted to the municipality and work will commence when it is approved. Revenue from gate fees at Rock Glen continue to be higher than normal, although not as high as 2020.

2021 STAFFING

Jonathan Levitt was hired as Rock Glen Assistant Superintendent for the second year in a row, and continues to be a good addition to staff. Dale Cable has also stepped into the Rock Glen Assistant Superintendent role. Michael Bax was also originally hired as a third Assistant Superintendent, but was working so well that he was offered the Superintendent position for the remainder of the season. Denise Iszczuk spent some time working at Rock Glen prior to Day Camps this summer, and the ABCA field staff also made regular trips for maintenance.

Also of note, Kate Monk will be stepping back from the Stewardship and Conservation Lands Manager, and taking on the Project Coordinator role at the ABCA. As such, Nathan Schoelier has been hired as new Manager, and will take Kate's place on the Arkona Lions Museum Management Committee going forward.

2021 PROJECTS

a) Museum Displays

Bob O'Donell, Museum Curator, and Glenn Stott continue to work on new displays in the museum. Bob gave a report on the upgrades that have been completed and that are in progress. There are plans to have a monitor with a brief documentary and introductory video near the front entry. Some additional signage will also be needed throughout the museum.

A large taxidermy display was donated from the Sobra museum. While this is a good display, there is very little room for it. Denise Iszczuk noted that the displays in the lower level need to tie in with various education programs. Glenn suggested that an acquisition policy may be needed going forward, and that displays can be rotated as needed.

Bob showed the committee the new microscope display, including a new monitor on which the magnified images will be displayed. The entire unit will be bolted down so it cannot be easily taken. The entire project cost \$3800 and was entirely funded by the Association of Professional Geoscientists of Ontario. The new display cases throughout

the museum are slanted for accessibility. There are more items to display than room, and the group further discussed rotating displays if needed.

Glenn Stott explained the new archeology displays to the committee. The plan is to keep the displays simple, but educational. There are three section, each displaying materials from three different eras. A display on the Iroquois-Objiwae Wars is also planned for this section. Two large murals have also been commissioned for the back wall, and will be completed in Fall 2021.

b) Lower Level Accessibility

Kate Monk described the plans for the lower level accessible entryway. It has proved difficult to find a contractor this year, and so once the permit is approved, ABCA staff will complete the installation of the door, as well as the walkway. Instead of installing the door at the back as originally planned, it will be installed at the side of the building, meaning the walkway will be shorter and easier to install. It is hoped that the permit will be approved shortly and the installation can begin this fall.

c) Ceiling Tiles

Bob and Glenn have noticed water stains on the ceiling tiles, and asked that they be replaced. According to Dale Cable, they have been stained for many years. This summer the carpet at the front of the Ted Baxter Room was wet after a heavy rain, which is in the same area as the stained tiles. The roof will need to be examined to find out if the issue is near the roof vents or if there is a leak. All of the tiles have some discolouration, which may be dirt or possibly mould. When the ceiling tiles were removed to look, black mould was found on the pink insulation in that area. The extent of the mould is unknown.

2022 ADVERTISING

Abigail Gutteridge noted that it is uncertain whether there will be any advertising costs again in 2021. Advertising is typically included in our membership with Heritage Sarnia-Lambton. Last year, this fee was waved, as most museums were not able to open. We will find out more about the advertising fee in the coming months. No advertising was necessary for Rock Glen this year, as it has been very busy without it. The advertising strategy will need to be revised for 2022.

FIRST NATIONS CONSULTATION

Denise Iszczuk has been in contact with David Plain, a Native Historian from Lambton County. She will get Glenn in touch with David Plain to consult with him about the display on the Iroquois-Ojibwae Wars. Denise will also be using her contacts in the education system to find someone from the Kettle and Stoney Point First Nations to consult on some of the displays in the Museum. In addition, Denise has been in contact with Andrew Meyer from Lambton County, and he has passed on the name of Brandy George of Cultural Research Inc. who may be willing to consult with the museum project.

MUSEUM CURATOR REPORT

Bob O'Donnell provided his report as the Committee toured the museum, and the notes are located in the 2021 Projects section of these minutes.

RE-OPENING THE MUSEUM AND INFORMATION CENTRE

The planned re-opening of the Museum and Information Centre will be in Spring of 2022, provided there are no public health restrictions that would prevent it.

OTHER BUSINESS

ABCA staff noted that they will be contacting Mid-Lam Heating and Cooling in Arkona to assess the ceiling and roof situation in the museum. Once determined what can be done, estimates will be needed quickly to be included in the 2022 budget.

NEXT MEETING

The next regularly scheduled committee meeting will be scheduled for March 2022. However, the committee has decided to meet to discuss the roof and ceiling situation once it has been assessed by Mid-Lam Heating and Cooling.

ADJOURNMENT

Bob Harvey adjourned the meeting at 11:55 a.m.

Glenn Stott
Chair

Abigail Gutteridge
Corporate Services Coordinator