



### 424<sup>th</sup> BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING

The 424th meeting of Credit Valley Conservation was held on Friday, **June 8, 2007** at 9:15 a.m. at the CVC administrative office in Mississauga. Chair Pat Mullin presided.

#### MEMBERS PRESENT:

<b>P.</b>	<b>(Pat)</b>	<b>Mullin</b>	<b>- Chair</b>
<b>R.</b>	<b>(Robert)</b>	<b>Shirley</b>	<b>- Vice-Chair</b>
<b>J.</b>	<b>(John)</b>	<b>Hutton</b>	<b>- Vice-Chair</b>
<b>E.</b>	<b>(Eve)</b>	<b>Adams</b>	
<b>R.</b>	<b>(Rod)</b>	<b>Finnie</b>	
<b>N.</b>	<b>(Nando)</b>	<b>Iannicca</b>	
<b>S.</b>	<b>(Sue)</b>	<b>McFadden</b>	
<b>J.</b>	<b>(Joan)</b>	<b>Robson</b>	
<b>A.</b>	<b>(Allan)</b>	<b>Thompson</b>	

#### REGRETS:

<b>G.</b>	<b>(Gail)</b>	<b>Campbell</b>
<b>A.</b>	<b>(Allan)</b>	<b>Elgar</b>
<b>P.</b>	<b>(Paul)</b>	<b>Palleschi</b>

#### STAFF PRESENT:

<b>R.</b>	<b>(Rae)</b>	<b>Horst</b>	<b>- Chief Administrative Officer</b>
<b>J.</b>	<b>(John)</b>	<b>Kinhead</b>	<b>- Manager, Water Resources</b>
<b>G.</b>	<b>(Gary)</b>	<b>Murphy</b>	<b>- Manager, Planning</b>
<b>J.</b>	<b>(Judi)</b>	<b>Orendorff</b>	<b>- Manager, Lands &amp; Conservation Areas</b>
<b>M.</b>	<b>(Mike)</b>	<b>Puddister</b>	<b>- Manager, Restoration &amp; Stewardship</b>
<b>G.</b>	<b>(Gerry)</b>	<b>Robin</b>	<b>- Manager, Corporate Services</b>
<b>D.</b>	<b>(David)</b>	<b>Wells</b>	<b>- Landscape Architect</b>
<b>T.</b>	<b>(Terri)</b>	<b>LeRoux</b>	<b>- Campaign Manager, CVC Foundation</b>

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| D. | (Dave)       | Dyce      | - Supervisor, Special Projects          |
| B. | (Bill)       | Lidster   | - Supervisor, Conservation Areas        |
| B. | (Bernadette) | Fernandez | - Marketing & Communications Specialist |
| M. | (Maureen)    | Pogue     | - Executive Assistant                   |
| E. | (Elizabeth)  | Diehl     | - Corporate Services Assistant          |

**OTHERS PRESENT:**

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| K. | (Kevin) | Travers  | - KPMG LLP    |
| P. | (Peter) | Orphanos | - Sierra Club |

**MINUTES**

**DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

Rob Finnie declared conflict of interest with respect to agenda item #3(E), Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses Applications, Application #07/064.

**MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

**423<sup>rd</sup> BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEETING**

**MAY 11, 2007**

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*RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the 423<sup>rd</sup> meeting of the Credit Valley Conservation held Friday, May 11, 2007 be adopted as distributed.*

**CARRIED**

**DEVELOPMENT, INTERFERENCE WITH WETLANDS, AND ALTERATIONS TO SHORELINES & WATERCOURSES APPLICATIONS**

Attached as Schedule 'A' are Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses applications, pursuant to Ontario Regulation 160/06, as approved by staff and presented for the members' information.

**54/07**

***RESOLVED THAT** the Development, Interference with Wetlands, and Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses applications, pursuant to Ontario Regulation 160/06, as approved by staff, be received and appended to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'A'; and further*

***THAT** the staff approvals for each application be endorsed.*

**CARRIED**

### **REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION LANDS PROGRAM REVIEW SUBCOMMITTEE**

Attached as Schedule 'B' is report on the above-mentioned subject as submitted by Dave Dyce, Supervisor Special Projects and Judi Orendorff, Manager Lands and Conservation Areas. CAO Rae Horst provided an overview of the report. She and Judi Orendorff answered members' questions.

Following discussion, it was agreed that staff would prepare a draft resolution for use by CVC members to seek support from their respective regional and municipal Councils to request additional funding sources from Federal and Provincial governments toward the securement, operation and maintenance of CVC lands and conservation areas.

**55/07**

***WHEREAS** the Conservation Lands Program Review Subcommittee has held a series of review meetings regarding CVC's land management program and is prepared to report to the full CVC Board of Directors;*

***THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the report entitled 'Report of the Lands Program Review Subcommittee' be attached to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'B'; and*

***THAT** the following Conservation Lands Program Review Subcommittee's recommendations be approved by the full Board of Directors as follows:*

***THAT** CVC must fulfill its mandate according to the Conservation Authorities Act (Sections 20 and Section 21 as Attachment A to this resolution);*

***THAT** investment in land care and stewardship of CVC conservation areas is necessary; and*

***THAT** in all conservation areas the principles will be conservation first, appreciation second and recreation third where compatible with conservation and appreciation; and*

*THAT CVC has no mandate for cultural heritage but owns cultural heritage lands; it will maintain Belfountain; it will not levy municipalities for development of cultural heritage sites except for liabilities for health and safety reasons; money for cultural heritage needs to come from other cultural heritage partners but the work can only be undertaken on a low priority basis as other priorities and resources permit; and*

*THAT CVC, in acquiring land, will divest itself (if reasonable) of cultural heritage features except where the cultural heritage features are associated with natural heritage features and are inseparable; and*

*THAT public and staff safety must be ensured at CVC conservation areas; and*

*THAT terrestrial and aquatic ecosystem health at CVC conservation areas is the priority; and*

*THAT investment in recreation programs continue at CVC conservation areas and be limited to \$300,000 in general levy support for fiscal year 2007 and that operational and staff changes be implemented as appropriate to meet this target; and*

*THAT all new recreation program activities be education focused and compatible with the principle of conservation first and appreciation second; and*

*THAT recreation programs at CVC conservation areas be active throughout the Credit River watershed with initial focus on the core 10 conservation areas; and*

*THAT the CVC 10 year plan reflect a reinvestment in land securement and management to capture current opportunities for land sales, donations, gifts and easements to create a legacy of conservation lands in the Credit River watershed; and*

*THAT through its Peel member on the Peel Greenlands Securement Committee, CVC will recommend to Peel accelerating the land securement program from 20 years to 10 years provided that money is not taken from CVC's annual Peel special and general levy; and*

*THAT the Core 10 Model be applied as a tool to manage our Conservation Areas appropriately and effectively with a systems-based approach highlighting the opportunities that the Areas provide; and*

*Note: Core 10 concept includes an organizational approach to manage a network of 10 properties together and not each in isolation of the other; and*

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*THAT the Core 10 model be adopted to promote the appreciation of our conservation areas and the educational opportunities that they provide; and*

*THAT the planning and implementation of signature events at each of CVC's Core 10 properties be pursued with the appropriate municipal and/or non government organizations; and*

*THAT a membership program be pursued to encourage increased participation and support for CVC's Core 10 Conservation Areas; and further*

*THAT a new marketing and communications strategy be developed for CVC's Conservation Areas Program that focuses on the principles of conservation and appreciation first and is consistent with the principles and messages of all CVC programs.*

**CARRIED**

**TRAIL FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE TOWN OF ORANGEVILLE AND THE TOWN OF MONO FOR THE VICKI BARRON LAKESIDE TRAIL AT ISLAND LAKE CONSERVATION AREA**

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Attached as Schedule 'C' is a report on the above-mentioned subject as submitted by Dave Dyce, Supervisor Special Projects and Judi Orendorff, Manager Lands and Conservation Areas. Judi Orendorff provided an overview of the report; David Wells, Landscape Architect reviewed a map of proposed trail expansion. Staff answered members' questions of clarification.

**56/07**

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the report entitled, 'Trail Funding Agreement with the Town Of Orangeville and the Town Of Mono for the Vicki Barron Lakeside Trail at Island Lake Conservation Area' be received and appended to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'C'; and*

*THAT CVC's CAO be granted approval to sign the Trail Funding Agreement as presented; and*

*THAT CVC request from the 'Friends of Island Lake' an outline of their proposed Island Lake Community Proposed Trails and Greenways Project with estimated costs and timelines for the completion of the Vicki Barron Lakeside Trail; and*

*THAT CVC communicate their limited capacity and role in implementation of the Island Lake Community Proposed Trails and Greenways Project to the 'Friends of Island Lake'; and further*

*THAT CVC review the Trail Funding Agreement once the agreement takes effect (upon completion of a new section of trail that links to CVC lands) and provide a report to the Board of Directors.*

**CARRIED**

**2006 YEAR-END AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**

Attached as Schedule 'D' is a report on the above-mentioned subject as submitted by Sue Doherty, Financial Services Officer and Gerry Robin, Manager Corporate Services. Kevin Travers of KPMG LLP provided an overview of the audited findings report and answered members' questions. CAO Rae Horst answered questions of clarification related to increased funding from the Region of Peel in 2007 and the proposed new building expansion for the CVC Administration Office. She indicated a separate report on the new building would be provided to members at a future meeting.

**57/07**

*RESOLVED THAT the report entitled, "2006 Year-End Audited Financial Statements" including the 2006 Financial Statements audited by KPMG and the Audit Findings Report for Year-Ended December 31, 2006 be received and appended to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'D'.*

**CARRIED**

**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR PERIOD ENDED APRIL 30, 2007**

Attached as Schedule 'E' is a report on the above-mentioned subject as submitted by Sue Doherty, Financial Services Officer and Gerry Robin, Manager Corporate Services.

**58/07**

*RESOLVED THAT the report on the Financial Statements for the Period Ended April 30, 2007 be received and appended to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'E'.*

**CARRIED**

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS FOR PHASE ONE OF THE RELOCATION OF THE CVC NURSERY TO THE WARWICK CONSERVATION AREA**

Attached as Schedule 'F' is a report on the above-mentioned subject as submitted by Zoltan Kovacs, Forester and Mike Puddister, Manager Restoration & Stewardship. Mike Puddister provided an overview of the report and answered members' questions.

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*RESOLVED THAT the report entitled, 'Request for Proposals for Phase One of the Relocation of the CVC Nursery to the Warwick Conservation Area' be received and appended to the minutes of this meeting as Schedule 'F'; and further*

*THAT the Board of Directors of CVC accepts the bid from Baker Turner Inc. for the supply of services in the amount of \$169,046.68 including GST.*

**CARRIED**

**QUESTION PERIOD**

Rod Finnie raised questions related to the Environmental Assessment process associated with expansion of a hydro corridor in the Town of Erin. Gary Murphy, Manager Planning assured Mayor Finnie that CVC and many other agencies are, and will continue to be, involved in the EA process.

John Hutton raised questions about stormwater management ponds; other members offered comments and suggestions.

Guest Peter Orphanos offered comments related to intensification, pooling of GTA funding and CVC restoration efforts.

**RESOLUTION TO MOVE TO 'IN-CAMERA' SESSION**

**60/07**

*RESOLVED THAT the Board move to 'In-Camera' session to consider legal and property matters.*

**CARRIED**

**'IN-CAMERA' – LEGAL UPDATE**

Gary Murphy, Manager Planning provided a verbal update on the above-mentioned subject.

**'IN-CAMERA' – CONSERVATION LAND SECUREMENT**

Judi Orendorff, Manager Lands & Conservation Areas provided a verbal update on the above-mentioned subject.

**RESOLUTION TO PROCEED TO OPEN SESSION**

61/07

*RESOLVED THAT the Board proceed to open session.*

**CARRIED**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

1. Hearing Board for June 15, 2007 is **CANCELLED**. To have been attended by members: Pat Mullin, John Hutton, Allan Thompson, Gail Campbell and Sue McFadden. Alternates were: Rod Finnie and Joan Robson.

**INFORMATION ITEMS**

1. Copy of a letter dated April 16, 2007 to Rae Horst, General Manager, CVC from Keith J. McNenly, CAO and Clerk, Town of Mono re: Draft Trail Funding Agreement (Revised February 13, 2007).
2. Copy of email correspondence dated May 25, 2007 to Rae Horst from legal counsel Joan Brennan re: Attendance at Committee Meetings.
3. Copy of email correspondence dated May 15, 2007 to Rae Horst from Karen Hortopan, Communications Administration Coordinator, CTC Region re: EBR Comments for Clean Water Act Regs from TRCA.
4. Copy of a CVC memo dated June 8, 2007 regarding staff participation at the Great Lakes Biennial Meeting of the International Joint Commission (June 7, 2007) and presentations to the Canadian Councils of Resource and Environment Ministers' Meetings (June 21, 2007).

**MEETING ADJOURNED**

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.