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**SAULT STE. MARIE REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, February 28, 2017  
Conservation Authority Office  
MINUTES**

Board Members Present: Marchy Bruni, Enzo Palumbo, Judy Hupponen and Ross Romano

Regrets: Joe Krmpotich

Staff Members Present: Rhonda Bateman and Christine Ropeter

Meeting was called to order at 4:47 p.m.

**1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None declared.

**2. Finance & Administration**

Minutes

Resolution # 21/17, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the January 17, 2017 Conservation Authority Annual General Meeting minutes be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

Accounts Payable

Question as to the size of the shop and the potential for extension of natural gas to the shop. Further information will be brought forward to the March Board meeting.

Resolution # 22/17, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that the accounts payable from January 13, 2017 to February 14, 2017 for the Conservation Authority, cheque #5196 to #5251 in the amount of \$69,682.13 and the Drinking Water Source Protection Program, cheque #3360 to #3379 in the amount of \$24,730.57 be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

### Health and Safety

Resolution # 23/17, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the Health and Safety Meeting Minutes from February 6, 2017 be accepted as information be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

### Lightning Strike Update

Resolution # 24/17, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that the email poll dated January 31, 2017 entitled Insurance Claim - Lightning Strike approving the submission for an insurance claim for damages due to the lightning strike be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## **3. Water & Related Land Management**

### Policies, Procedures and Guidelines for the Administration of Ontario Regulation 176/06

Resolution # 25/17, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*Whereas the SSMRCA previously adopted draft guidelines developed by a committee of Conservation Ontario and the Ministry of Natural Resource and Forestry to support the administration of Ontario Regulation 176/06 and all other CA development regulations; and*

*Whereas, the SSMRCA has developed “Policies, Procedures and Guidelines for the Administration of Ontario Regulation 176/06” specifically tailored for the SSMRCA; and*

*Whereas there is a requirement for the SSMRCA to hold a public information session and allow a 30 day public comment period following the open house;*

*Therefore, be it resolved that following the 30 day public comment period that the SSMRCA staff bring the revised document back to the Board for approval be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

#### Development, Interference with Wetlands and Alterations to Shorelines and Watercourses

Resolution # 26/17, moved by Ross Romano, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that application #LSM17-02-17 submitted by Michael Moraca for the renovation of an existing house, construction of a double car garage, covered porch and extension of an existing deck at 1749 Queen Street East be approved subject to the following conditions:*

- 1. The construction be carried out at the same location as indicated on site plans submitted with the application date stamped February 17, 2017.*
- 2. No building openings below the regulatory flood limit of 178.2 meters C.G.D. are permitted.*
- 3. Only clean and inert fill as defined by the Conservation Authority is to be used in the filling/grading operations. Examples of clean and inert fill include earth cover, sand, gravel, and concrete chunks. Examples of materials not considered clean or inert fill include but are not limited to asphalt, waste, wood or wood derived waste, and organic materials.*
- 4. Only clean, non-leaking equipment to be used.*
- 5. No in-water work is permitted.”*

was CARRIED.

#### **4. Conservation & Recreation**

##### St. Marys River - Heritage River Funding - Canada150

Resolution # 27/17, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Ross Romano

*“Whereas the SSMRCA has received funding from the St. John River Society for a Canada 150 celebratory event directly related to the Heritage River System designation; and SSMRCA staff have developed an event in cooperation with Parks Canada and the City of Sault Ste. Marie, Therefore, be it resolved that the SSMRCA enter into a formal agreement with Parks Canada for the delivery of the Canada 150 Heritage River event as outlined in the staff memo entitled “Canada 150 Funding for St. Marys River Event” dated February 16, 2017 be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## **5. Forestry**

### Managed Forest Plan Update

Public consultation session will be held March 7<sup>th</sup> in the Russ Ramsay Room of the Civic Centre from 4:30 – 7:30.

Resolution # 28/17, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the staff memo entitled Managed Forest Plan Update dated February 21, 2017 be accepted as information be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## **6. New Business / Other**

### Environment and Climate Change Canada publication

The General Manager discussed the participation of the SSMRCA staff in a federal publication regarding conservation lands and biodiversity. A link to the publication will be forwarded to the Board members.

### Performance Reviews

The General Manager indicated that annual staff performance reviews were completed.

### Frank Manzo

Discussion of the contribution of Frank Manzo to the City and especially the SSMRCA. A commemorative painting of Mr. Manzo’s long service with the SSMRCA will be donated by Mr. Manzo’s son Gary this spring.

## **7. In-Committee**

Not required

## 8. Adjournment

Resolution # 29/17, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the meeting adjourned at 5:40 p.m. be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

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Rhonda Bateman,  
General Manager

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Marchy Bruni, Chair