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**SAULT STE. MARIE REGION CONSERVATION AUTHORITY  
REGULAR MEETING  
Tuesday, November 15, 2016  
Conservation Authority Office  
MINUTES**

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

Regrets: Ross Romano and Joe Krmpotich

Staff Members Present: Rhonda Bateman

Meeting was called to order at 4:51 p.m.

**1. Declaration of Conflict of Interest**

None declared.

**2. Finance & Administration**

Minutes

Resolution # 115/16, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the October 18, 2016 Conservation Authority Regular and In-Committee Meeting minutes be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

Accounts Payable

Resolution # 116/16, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that the accounts payable from October 14, 2016 to November 4, 2016 for the Conservation Authority, cheque #5064 to #5106 in the amount of \$53,264.17 and the*

*Drinking Water Source Protection Program, cheque #3328 to #3339 in the amount of \$12,420.08 be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

### Health and Safety

Resolution # 117/16, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the Health and Safety Meeting Minutes from November 7, 2016 be accepted as information be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

### Lightning Strike Update

Resolution # 118/16, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that the staff memo dated November 15, 2016 entitled Lightning Strike Update be accepted as information be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

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

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

Resolution # 119/16, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the email polls of October 19, October 28, November 4 and November 8, 2016 approving the following permits with conditions be confirmed:*

<i>CYC16-10-14</i>	<i>Kinsmen Club</i>	<i>780 Landslide Road</i>
<i>LSM16-10-14</i>	<i>Mark Clay</i>	<i>307 River Road</i>
<i>USM16-10-25</i>	<i>Frank Visconti/Mark Mageran</i>	<i>304 Pine Shore Drive</i>
<i>FC16-10-25</i>	<i>Derek Goertz</i>	<i>44 Sherbrook Drive</i>
<i>FC16-10-26</i>	<i>Albert and Jane Suraci/Draftec Management</i>	<i>38 Cody Point Court</i>
<i>WDC16-10-26</i>	<i>Linda Alloj</i>	<i>336 Spadina Avenue</i>
<i>USM16-10-31</i>	<i>Joel Disano</i>	<i>34 Dalglish Road</i>
<i>BCC16-11-04A</i>	<i>Larry Humphrey</i>	<i>81 Parkewood Drive</i>
<i>BCC16-11-04B</i>	<i>Jeff Rennison</i>	<i>110 Parkewood Drive”</i>

was CARRIED.

Resolution # 120/16, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Resolved that application #USM16-11-09 submitted by Philip and Elizabeth Olivero for lot filling and grading and the construction of a two-storey, 1658 sq. ft. single family residence with detached garage at 781 Sunnyside Beach Road be approved subject to the following conditions:*

- 1. The work be carried out at the same location as indicated on the site plan submitted with the application and date stamped November 9, 2016.*
- 2. All equipment and materials used at the work site must be clean and free from leaks, oil and grease residues.*
- 3. Lot grading must be in such a way that surface drainage from roof drains, rainstorms, snowmelt or sub-surface water is directed away from the building.*
- 4. No opening be allowed below 100-year flood elevation of 184.2 m C.G.D.*
- 5. Constructed side and front ditches must not be filled,”*

was CARRIED.

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

##### Mockingbird Hill Farm

Regarding a potential liability query from the Board meeting in October, the General Manager obtained a certificate of insurance from the food vendor (Low and Slow) prior to the Haunted Maze event at Mockingbird Hill Farm.

##### Mark’s Bay Access Request

Resolution # 121/16, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that staff be directed to enter in to an agreement with Humphrey Aircraft Services for access to Mark’s Bay Conservation Area south entrance for the autumn with the following considerations:*

- 1) Liability insurance must be supplied by the proponent*
- 2) Installation and maintenance, by the proponent or at the cost of the proponent, of a locked gate, of acceptable construction to the SSMRCA, at the south driveway in lieu of the current ditch and berm restriction*
- 3) Identified limitations to access*
- 4) No winter access will be permitted be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## Soo Finnish Nordic Ski Club Request

Resolution # 122/16, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Whereas, there have been habitual violators of the Conservation Authority’s Conservation Area regulations by vehicles in the Hiawatha Highlands; and*

*Whereas, the vehicles cause damage to the ski trails in the fall and winter seasons; and*

*Whereas, the Soo Finnish Nordic Ski Club has a seasonal agreement for the use and maintenance of the trails in the Hiawatha Highlands for skiing;*

*Resolved that the Soo Finnish Nordic Ski Club be permitted to install and maintain a gate, of acceptable construction to the SSMRCA, at the south-east entrance to the Lookout Trail adjacent to the conservation authority parking lot to prevent vehicle damage to the ski trails be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## **5. Forestry**

### Forest Management Plan

Resolution # 123/16, moved by Enzo Palumbo, seconded by Judy Hupponen,

*“Resolved that the proposal for the Forest Management Plan from Algoma-Manitoulin Forestry Services be approved as the successful proposal; and*

*Be it resolved that an upset price of \$30,000 be approved and the funds to be withdrawn from the Forestry Reserve Fund based on a developed timetable of deliverables. Final payment of 25% will be held back until the final draft plan is approved and submitted to the SSMRCA Forest Management Committee and Board; and*

*Any additional work that may be requested by the Forest Management Committee which may cause an increase in the costs as outlined in the proposal must be approved by the SSMRCA Board prior to any additional release of funds be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

## Saw Mill Update

Resolution # 124/16, moved by Judy Hupponen, seconded by Enzo Palumbo,

*“Whereas the SSMRCA has advertised the sale of the sawmill and its component parts,*

*Resolved that the SSMRCA accept an offer from Vernon Fairhead for the sale of the sawmill and its component parts for \$2,500 with the final dismantling and clearance to be completed in the spring of 2017 and that the Board accept a deposit to hold the sale be approved,”*

was CARRIED.

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

### Deposition of Trash

The General Manager brought forward a photo of a recent deposition of a large load of shingles on SSMRCA property. Staff attempted to identify the owner of the shingles but were unsuccessful. The Board asked staff to contact the press to illustrate the on-going issue.

### Council Presentation

The Chair remarked on the recent budget and levy presentation to Sault Ste. Marie City Council by the General Manager. The Chair indicated that the presentation was well received and the GM responded well to the questions posed by Councillors.

### Winter/Spring Conditions Outlook for the Shore Ridges Area

The General Manager outlined a proposal for the release of a winter/spring conditions report for the residents of the Shore Ridges/Sunnyside Beach area. The following conditions exist or have the potential to cause flooding:

- 1) Higher than normal water levels on Lake Superior
- 2) High water levels in the Shore Ridges wetland
- 3) Prediction of increased snow storms and accumulation this winter
- 4) The potential for high winds to cause wave uprush onshore

The existing high water conditions create poor drainage for the area. Increased water content in the wetland decreases storage capacity for excess water. Snow events increase the amount of water entering the ecosystem which is already saturated. High winds may cause wave uprush at the shoreline and could increase the potential for flooding and shoreline erosion.

The Board has requested that a direct mailing to individual residents be completed to ensure the information is received and the residents are aware of the potential issues and can be prepared.

## **7. In-Committee**

Not required

## **8. Adjournment**

Resolution # 125/16, 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