

June 10, 2010

The Board of Directors Meeting of the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority was held on the above date, at the Greenwood Recreation Centre, in Petrolia, at the hour of 1:00 p.m.

Directors Present: Andy Bruziewicz, Chair; Steve Arnold, Vice Chair; Bill Bilton, Tony Bruinink, Terry Burrell, Norm Giffen, Percival Heath, Carolyn Jamieson, Larry MacKenzie, Kevin Marriott, Tom McGregor, Dan McMillan, Allan McNeil, Steve Miller, Lonny Napper, John Phair

Directors Regrets: Joe Faas, Betty Ann MacKinnon, Jon McEachran, Martin Vink

Also Present for all or part of Meeting:

- Ralph Coe, General Manager
- Marlene Dorrestyn, Administrative Assistant
- Brian McDougall, Director of Watershed Services
- Rick Battson, Director of Communication
- Patty Hayman, Director of Planning & Research
- Kevan Baker, Director of Conservation Areas
- Bill Dakin, Director of Financial Services
- Steve Shaw, Conservation Services Specialist

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested that each Director declare a conflict of interest at the appropriate time, on any item within this agenda in that a Director may have pecuniary interest.

BD-10-063

McMillan - Giffen

“That the minutes of the Board of Directors meeting, held April 15, 2010, be approved as distributed.”

CARRIED

The General Manager’s Report was presented:

- Source Water Protection – Thames-Sydenham Region: the 2010/11 Memorandum of Understanding based on the Business Plan is expected to be approved within the next few weeks. The total funds available for the Thames-Sydenham Region is approx \$1,400,000.00 comprised of Operating/Administration and Water Budget. There was a slight reduction in funding, however the business plan has been adjusted to meet the needs of the program through carry forward and adjustments.
- Meeting (St Clair Source Protection Board- same members as Conservation Authority Board): a brief Source Protection Authority meeting after the regular board meeting on June 10th to update and acknowledge the submission of the Assessment Report for our region.
- Sarnia Lambton Environmental Association: Annual General Meeting - May 19, 2010
 - attended by Chair Andy Bruziewicz and staff.
 - SLEA’s annual report references several programs and partnerships we are involved with the St. Clair and SLEA. SLEA’s General Manager, Dean Edwardson, sits on the Source Protection Committee, the Sediment Remedial Action plan along with some AOC work we are undertaking.

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- the annual report acknowledges the long standing (13 year) and valued partnership with the Conservation Authority and their continued support for our Conservation Education Program. Their sponsorship (\$30,000 per year) has permitted over 61,000 students to learn curriculum based programs on the St. Clair River and water quality.
- Bruce Davidson a Walkerton resident and spokesperson presented a personal and community perspective from 10 years after the Walkerton event.
- Hon. Carol Mitchell, MPP Huron Grey, Minister of Agricultural and Food and Rural Affairs.
 - on May 26, 2010 Andy Bruziewicz and Ralph Coe attended a funding announcement (Goderich) for 10 Lake Huron Shoreline Partners in delivering Best Management Practices. \$250,000 was announced with \$150,000 going to Huron County Clean Water Program. This adds to the County's annual commitment of \$250,000 per year. Each other partner received \$10,000 to provide grant to farmers on Lake Huron Tributaries. We have 4 landowners who will receive assistance with BMP's. This is an excellent first step for funding identified for Great Lakes Waters.
- Ontario Nature and Carolinian Canada Annual General Meetings: May 28-30 (Sarnia- Lambton College) Exploring our Watersheds
 - several staff presented in the plenary and concurrent session including providing field trips on geocaching at Wawanosh Wetlands and the Rap video. We were pleased to be able to participate in these provincial conferences and have received numerous compliments about the staffs presentations and knowledge.
- Trails Open: Paddle Day on the Sydenham – Strathroy May 29, 2010 - organized by the Conservation Authority with support by the Boy Scouts and Canoe Water Adventures there were over 25 canoes on the water with 50-60 people enjoying the newly developed Water Trail through Strathroy. This was one of the unique Trails Open events in the province and we have been asked if this can be an annual event.
- Grant applications - awaiting responses - we have numerous applications and responses are expected in early June.
- WECI (Water and Erosion Control and Infrastructure)
 - the projects have been listed in the Water Management Dept. Key is funding to complete the Guthrie Park Shoreline, Cathcart funding for Environmental Assessment and Design, McKeough, ARDA dykes, etc.
- Transfer payments. (Ministry of Natural Resources):
 - \$310,000 from the Ministry of Natural Resources to support the flood control. Nothing has been received from the province to date. In 2009 the MOU had been signed and returned to the province for processing by this time.
- Area of Concern: (St. Clair River)
 - applications are in to Environment Canada for construction costs for Guthrie, Cathcart design and a second application for salary and support costs for the RAP Coordinator. Anticipate funding approval in June.
- Species at Risk: (Ministry of Natural Resources) – two projects have been submitted to assist with support staff and Best Management Practices (Stewardship projects) and to develop turtle nesting habitat and a hibericulum. (snake habitat) – no response to date.
- Habitat Stewardship (Environment Canada) – Great Lakes Sustainability Fund
 - \$120,000 providing significant funds for Best Management Practices, education, research etc. (approved)

- Campground Operations: the season has had an excellent start. Victoria Day weekend was near full (less than 10 vacancies of 500 campsites). Alcohol ban was successful and no significant incidents. The campgrounds are a large business component of our seasonal operations and staff are monitoring the reservations and seasonals closely. They are currently up from 2009, Capital work is well underway and for the most will require some adjustments due to proposed costs of the required septic system design at Warwick CA.
- Bus Tour – June 10: the Tour will be held on Thursday, June 10th leaving from Lorne C Henderson CA at 9:00 am.
 - prior to departure, the President’s Award will be presented to the partners for the Glenview Conservation Lands Donation. Demonstrations, displays, etc will be on site and a BBQ lunch follows the tour at noon. Board meeting to begin in Petrolia at 1 pm.
- Memorial Forest Dedications:
 - the Denning Bros. Memorial Forest Dedication was held on Sunday, May 30. The ceremony took place at Centennial Park in Strathroy. Close to 500 people attended. Duncan Skinner, President of the Foundation, brought greetings.
 - the Denning’s Family event for June 6 to be held in Forest has been cancelled by the funeral home.
- Conservation Ontario:
 - May newsletter
 - June 7, Toronto, General Managers meet with Conservation Ontario, MOE and MNR staff on the following:
 - transition from the Assessment Report to the Source Protection Plans
 - implementing source Protection Plans – funding models, roles of CA’s etc
 - linking Source Protection to Watershed Management
 - June 28-29 - Conservation Ontario meeting for CO rep and General Manager (Toronto) Regular meeting followed by a second day of Strategic Planning for Conservation Ontario.
- Staffing: this year the Authority will employ approx 80 staff throughout various times of the year. The majority are employment programs who assist with implementing conservation programs and projects throughout the region.
- Source Water Policy Advisor: Ingrid Vandershot-Taylor will provide technical support and policy writing of Source Water Protection Policies which will be recommended as part of the final Source Water Protection Plan. This is an 18 month contract through Source Protection Funds and will be based out of the St. Clair Office.
- Congratulations to Betty Anne and Jack McKinnon on receiving the Heros Award at the recent Mayors Breakfast for Community Living in Strathroy. Over 400 attended this event and the award recognized Betty Anne and Jacks significant contribution to the Community Living and support of individuals and their inclusion in the community.

BD-10-064

Napper - Bruinink

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the General Manager’s report, dated June 1, 2010.”

CARRIED

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A Conservation Area Update was reviewed:

- Background:
 - the Conservation Authority owns 14 conservation areas in the watershed
 - of those 14 conservation areas, 6 are managed by the local municipality and 8 are operated by the Conservation Authority
 - of these 8, 3 conservation areas are regional campgrounds which attract campers from primarily Southwestern Ontario
 - our three regional campgrounds have over 500 campsites and over 380 seasonal campers
 - our campgrounds are self sufficient and require no tax dollars to operate
 - profits obtained are used to offset capital improvements within these regional conservation areas
- Marketing in 2010: our conservation areas will be marketed in the following publications or events in 2010:
 - camping ads have been placed in 6 weekly newspapers from early April to July
 - Sarnia Lambton Tourism Guide
 - Blue Water Tourism Guide (in partnership with other Conservation Authorities)
 - Middlesex Home & Leisure Show (Strathroy Gemini complex – April 24th)
 - Ontario Travel Centre Open House – June 8th, 2010
 - Conservation Ontario Conservation Areas Guide – this guide has been produced to highlight selected conservation areas throughout Ontario
 - Camping visitor guide has been placed at Tourism Lambton, Ontario Travel Centre, and at a number of our local municipal offices.
- staff have continued to market and promote our 3 regional campground conservation areas over the winter months, we accepted reservations at the administration office during regular office hours. To the first week in May, a total of 522 campsite reservations have been received amounting to \$ 69,000.00 worth of reservations up from \$ 47,000.00 (up 47 percent) and 380 reservations in 2009.
- seasonal camping numbers have also increase in 2010, to date a total of 370 seasonal campers have registered in our 3 campgrounds, up from 358 in 2009 and 356 in 2008; seasonal camper registered at each campground are 174 at Warwick (172 in 2009); 112 at L.C. Henderson (106 in 2009) and 84 at A.W. Campbell (80 in 2009).

BD-10-065

Miller - Marriott

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the Conservation Areas Update, dated May 25, 2010 on regional campgrounds and Conservation Area activities.”

CARRIED

A report on Conservation Area Campground revenue and expenditures was discussed.

- Revenues to June are up 1.24% and expenditures are down 1.12% and overall campgrounds are running a 1.36% surplus.

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BD-10-066**MacKenzie - McNeil****“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the Conservation Area Campground revenue and expenditure report to April 30, 2010.”****CARRIED**

A Staff Report on the monthly activity summary from the Watershed Services Department was discussed.

- Drinking Water Source Protection
 - review stressed watersheds and permits within region
 - review impact of Certificates of Approval on intake protection zones in the SP region
 - completed revisions to Assessment Report for final proposed document submission to MOE
 - ongoing data retrieval for Upper Thames Assessment Report
 - Intake Protection Zone 2 delineation, drainage analysis and draft review
 - outline scope of work for Intake Protection Zone 3 for the Thames, Sydenham & Region
 - funding agreement review and finalization
 - review of current and analysis of future pumping rates for region’s groundwater wells
 - completed and reviewed all components of assessment report including maps and Appendices for posting to SP web page
 - threats identification and summary tables for assessment reports
 - review, comment and make appropriate changes to assessment reports, section and system summaries
- Flood Forecast & Warning
 - Flood Forecasting software revision review and agreements for transfer
 - ongoing refinement of internal web based reporting including graphic interface\mapping product
 - review and update hydrologic station and gauge datum with site surveys and updated riverbed profiles at stations
 - data acquisition and analysis
 - snow surveys completed bi-weekly – final report May 15 submitted to MNR
 - flood monitoring
 - review regional CA status of bulletin, advisories and warning notification standards
- Low Water Response
 - continued review of current conditions and impact assessment for the summer months
 - Low Water Response meeting preparation as required
- Reforestation/Conservation Services
 - mailed out Planting Packages to landowners
 - finished Sycamore seed collection and shipped 10 litres
 - spring herbicide maintenance on newly planted trees and follow on past planting sites
 - hired a Job Creation Program person
 - ordered 300 Large stock trees for various planting projects
 - assisted with Strathroy Cleanup Day Planting

- Waste Management Warwick Twp – Planning and proposals for spring project construction work for \$100,000 landscape screening, bioremediation and wetland/storm water pond habitat work
- Middlesex Clean Water Program landowner project site visits
- Woodlot Management
 - marked 2 private land woodlot
 - walked and GPSd the trail system at the Lambton County Heritage Forest
 - attended the Port Franks Community Policing Committee meeting to discuss the role of the Authority managing the Lambton County Heritage Forest
- Drain Maintenance Program
 - currently have over 50 kilometres to treat this summer
- Water & Erosion Control Infrastructure
 - monitoring reports and funding applications for Guthrie Park
 - site meeting with Shoreplan Inc. for concept design of Cathcart Park Erosion Control Revitalization Project
- McKeough Dam & Upstream Lands
 - grass cutting contracts sent out to low tenders
 - site meeting with consultants to monitor and repair cracks at the dam outlet structure
 - application for DFO approval for erosion control work on Highway 40 and McKeough floodway
 - RFP for crack repair at the control structure
 - general inspection of water control structures and stream gauges
- Land Management
 - sale of house in Wilkesport - package prepared and submitted to MNR for provincial approval
- Water Quality - Surface Water
 - water quality monitoring preparation: Received training (PWQMN) at UTRCA, maintenance/calibration YSI, ordered calibration solution and bacteriological sampling bottles, renewed sampling agreement with Middlesex Health Unit.
 - completed April and May PWQMN, COA and bacteriological water quality sampling.
- Water Quality - Benthic Sampling
 - benthic preparation: picked-up new mason jars, DFO permit application, alcohol for specimen preservation, repaired net etc.
 - collected samples from each of SCRCA's 14 subwatersheds
- Water Quantity (PGMN)
 - continue ongoing groundwater quantity sampling and data management
 - equipment upgrades including installation of new rain gauges and replacement of defective data logging devices and wellheads
- Fish Habitat Review
 - negotiated timing window extension with DFO so that emergency works could be completed in the water during the time when fish are spawning; allowed repair of road culvert in Chatham-Kent; driveway culvert in Sarnia; farm access culvert in St Clair Twp; equipment access culvert in Sarnia and road shoulder repair in St Clair

- Natural Heritage
 - Lambton Natural Heritage Study – hired North-South Environmental for field component of study; selected 30 more sites for potential field work
 - presented to Ontario Nature conference in Sarnia on “Wonders of the Sydenham”
 - reviewed draft Recovery Potential Assessment for Wavy-Rayed Lampmussel - has disappeared from the Sydenham but is thriving in the Grand and Thames
 - Lake Huron Biodiversity Strategy - provided comments emphasizing value of Watershed Plans to improve land management practices which will improve water quality
- Species At Risk
 - selected sites, made landowner contact, applied for federal and provincial permits to collect and display fish at the Strathroy Museum
 - performed annual maintenance on three turtle nesting sites
 - made contact with turtle monitoring volunteers, organized monitoring schedule and routes

BD-10-067**Bilton - Marriott**

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the monthly activity summary, dated May 31, 2010, from the Watershed Services Department for April and May 2010.”

CARRIED

A staff report on water levels, current and flood conditions was presented.

- Watershed Precipitation Precipitation levels continued to be slightly below normal in April but returned to a little above normal in May. Windsor and region received the bulk of the rain with 168% of the normal. The St. Clair watershed experienced rain 25% above normal with most precipitation falling in the first two weeks of the month. Regional averages for three, six and twelve month periods however still remain between 15% and 20% below normal. Extensive rain in the first part of May resulted in high river levels due to an accumulation in some areas of more than 60mm (2.5 inches) of rain falling in less than a week in many parts of the watershed. Conditions returned to normal through to the end of the month without any significant impact on watershed conditions.
- Streamflows reflect the reduced levels of precipitation across the watershed at the end of April while flows increased into May due to a period of extended precipitation in mid-month. Some flooding was reported during this period however no advisories were issued. By comparison flow events in 2009 indicated extensive flow during the spring months but when compared with 2010, where there was significantly less available snowpack and spring rain events, the watershed had lower runoff overall. Contributing factors also include a dry fall in 2009 and much less snowfall over the winter months. In addition, current water levels for May have been compared to the lowest levels for the Period of Record (10 to 50 years dependent on specific station) and in most cases all stations reported river levels close to the minimum monthly level on record for May. This is further reflected in slightly lower than average lake levels as noted below, however lake levels are not significantly impacted since the lakes are much larger systems and are influenced by broader regional factors. Generally flow conditions in the watershed will continue to accommodate any further precipitation into the summer months without concern.
- Flood Threat
 - there is a low risk of flood events throughout moving into June and July. No significant

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precipitation is anticipated further reducing the chance any high water conditions. Advisories will continue to be provided as watershed conditions dictate.

- flood advisories are an ongoing part of effective communication during high water and flood events. As part of a partnership with Lambton County and other agencies a recent publication outlined the steps for emergency preparedness in the form of a guidebook to be distributed throughout the area. This documented various procedures including the impact of flooding and flood safety.

BD-10-068

McMillan - MacKenzie

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 on the current watershed conditions and Great Lakes water levels.”

CARRIED

A staff report on the low water response indicators was presented.

- a very dry early Spring had staff seriously considering confirmation of a Level One Low Water Level Advisory for the watershed
- March and April have been dry months with precipitation averaging ~60% of the long term average for the month
- however, a wet start to May with ~60 mm of rain over the first ten days of the month alleviated those concerns
- Streamflow Indicators:
 - the streamflow along the north branches of the Sydenham River are significantly higher than the lowest average summer month flow. The percentages of streamflow at Petrolia and Brigiden have reported higher flows than the lowest average summer month flow.
 - for the month of May, streamflow on the east branch of the Sydenham River at Alvinston is at 400% of the lowest average summer month flow while flows for Strathroy and Florence are at 340% and 590% respectively.
- Precipitation Indicators:
 - the area that includes the north branch of the Sydenham River and tributaries draining to Lake Huron and the St. Clair River has received 128% or less of the average monthly rainfall for May.
 - the area that includes the east branch of the Sydenham River and tributaries draining to Lake St. Clair has received less than 108% of the average May precipitation.
- Currently:
 - the watershed indicators for monthly, 3 month average precipitation and possibly flows as well, are identifying that the St. Clair Region Watershed is currently not showing signs of a Low Water Condition.
 - as of (May 7th, 2010), Upper Thames, Lower Thames and Toronto Region Conservation Authorities remain in a confirmed Level 1 Low Water Condition.
- Moving Forward:
 - with higher temperatures expected throughout the month and increased plant uptake, less water will infiltrate the soil and make its way into aquifers and streams. With above normal temperatures and below normal precipitation forecast it is expected that we may be close to a Level 1 low water condition.
 - the Conservation Authority staff will closely monitor the Low water conditions, and will

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host a meeting of the Low Water Response Team, subject to confirmation of a Level One Condition, to review the situation and recommend actions to be taken including voluntary consumption reductions of 10% and communication tools to be used to ensure that residents and water users are aware of the watershed conditions.

BD-10-069

Burrell - Napper

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 on the low water response indicators, confirmed advisories in adjacent Authorities, the long term forecast and potential actions.”

CARRIED

A staff report on the Healthy Watersheds programs was discussed:

- Sydenham River Habitat Stewardship Program (Environment Canada and Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) Species at Risk (SAR))
 - Year 10 (2009-2010)
 - Environment Canada and Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources funding a combined grant of \$184,000 funded 20 best management practices (BMP) projects including: 14 riparian buffer projects, a wetland construction or enhancement projects and 5 projects that combine riparian buffer with streambank stabilization or wetland enhancement projects
 - the final report for the project is being drafted and the project will be audited next month for submission with the final report
 - Year 11 (2010-2011) applications have been submitted to both Environment Canada and the Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources for support for this project
 - Environment Canada’s Habitat Stewardship program has confirmed funding of \$120,000 in grants to support education and outreach, stewardship projects, landowner contact and project follow up – projects left unfunded included well decommissioning, replacement of failing septic systems, website maintenance and brochure updating & reprinting
 - the application to the Species At Risk Fund under MNR requested \$50,000 in funding support – no response has been received to date
- Clean Water Project
 - County and Municipal funding continues for this program again in 2010
 - similar to the last several years of this program a suite of best management practices projects will be supported by the program in 2010
- South Eastern Lake Huron Working Group Grant
 - a working group of Conservation Authorities, Stewardship Councils, interest groups and Huron County has been successful in obtaining a grant of \$250,000 from the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs
 - this grant will support both watershed targeted and broad based stewardship projects, as well as a phosphorous monitoring project, 3 mapping projects and a youth educator summit
 - \$10,000 of this grant has been allocated for the Lake Huron tributaries in the St. Clair Region

- one of these projects was planted this spring and will be viewed on the Authority's Project Tour on June 10th
- Great Lakes Restoration Initiative (US Environmental Protection Agency)
 - an application was made for funding of a suite of best management practices projects in the St. Clair River Area of Concern
 - over 1,000 applications were submitted with requests totalling just under \$1 billion to this \$475 million fund
 - the Authority's application was left unfunded and staff will be exercising the opportunity to request a debriefing to learn how the application could be improved
 - 269 projects were approved – one Ontario project (Bird Studies Canada – Improving Great Lakes Bird and Amphibian Indicators) was funded \$156,493 of the \$475 million allocated to projects

BD-10-070**Phair - Burrell**

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010, on the Healthy Watersheds programs and correspondence from Environment Canada confirming grants for this program for 2010-11.”

CARRIED

A Staff Report on Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure projects was presented.

- Applications for grants have been submitted for 2010-2011 funding review. The projects are listed below:
 - Cathcart Park Erosion Control Project - Class EA & Detailed Design Phase II
 - Lake Huron Shoreline Structures - Lake Huron Shoreline Plan
 - W. Darcy McKeough Dam Review - McKeough Floodway Operating Criteria
 - Head Street Dam - Spillway Redistribution
 - Courtright Waterfront Park Erosion Control Project - Safety Repairs & Shoreline improvement
 - Guthrie Park Erosion Control Project - Shore Protection Revitalization Phase III
 - Seagar Park Erosion Control Project - Drain and Outlet Repairs
 - Sarnia Erosion Control Project - Shore Protection Repair
 - Running Creek Dykes - Dyke Erosion Control
- 2005 - 2006 WECI Projects
 - Weir #2 (LCH) - Decommissioning / Revitalization Plan - Phase II of the Plan is underway including a review of the environmental impacts and impacts on CA activities - investigating opportunities to partner with Ducks Unlimited
- 2007 - 2008 WECI Projects
 - McKeough Dam - Watercourse Obstruction Removal - winter weather did not provide enough frost to permit access to a large blockage on Bear Creek - Staff are negotiating access to this site with the plan to undertake removal in July or August
- 2008 - 2009 WECI Projects
 - McKeough Dam - Drop Structure Crack Repair Phase II - Authority staff have met with product suppliers from Phase I to review existing conditions and ensure that the appropriate product and application techniques are used when planned repairs are undertaken this summer. RFP for repair work will be sent in June, 2010.

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- 2009 - 2010 WECI Projects
 - ARDA Dyke - Hazard Tree Removal Along Wren Line - scheduled to be completed in fall of 2010
 - McKeough Dam - Crossing Repair - completed May 2010
 - McKeough Dam - Diversion Berm Erosion Repair - scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2010
 - McKeough Dam - Dam Safety Review - completed May 2010
 - Centennial Park - Splash Pad Repair and Drainage Improvements - a portion of the work has been completed with remaining works to be completed in the spring and summer of 2010
 - Guthrie Park - Shore Protection Revitalization Phase II - the project was substantially complete on January 21 with topsoil, sod and landscaping to be completed in spring
 - Cathcart Park - Erosion Protection Revitalization Study - Shoreplan Inc. has been retained for this project. Project in preliminary design stage. Draft Design drawings are expected by July 2010.

BD-10-071**Giffen - McGregor**

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 on the Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure Projects across the watershed including status updates on the previously funding projects and projects submitted for 2010-2011 funding.”

CARRIED

A Staff Report on the Guthrie Park Shore Protection Revitalization Project reviewed:

- Phase II
 - landscaping was delay several times in May due to the wet weather
 - the habitat pod in Phase II (photo at right) as well as the pods in Phase I were seeded with a meadow mix as well as having live cuttings, shrubs and plugs planted along there length – the pods were topped with straw to both protect the new plants as well as maintaining some moisture to assist with plant growth and establishment
 - last week the contractor adjusted the path of the walkway, completed some additional grading and made some adjustments to the timber curb
 - paving and sodding were scheduled for this week but again will be subject to wet weather that may cause further delays
 - the parking lot has been regarded and the walkway cleared and swept for pedestrian use
 - Reports are being submitted to obtain the funding for works completed under Phase II
- Phase III
 - Community Adjustment Fund confirmed \$275,000 funding at the public announcement on April 9
 - requests for funding from the Ministry of Natural Resources (Water & Erosion Control Infrastructure) \$375,000, Ministry of Environment (COA) \$25,000 and the Great Lakes Sustainability Fund \$45,000 are still being reviewed
 - upon confirmation of funding for the project tenders will be made available for submission in late July
- Project Budget
 - with Phase II all but complete the following outlines the estimated expenses and revenues

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to the end of Phase II

BD-10-072

Miller - MacKenzie

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 on the Guthrie Park Shore Protection Revitalization Project and further authorizes the General Manager and Chair to accept tenders and award a contract for construction of Phase III based on available funding.”

CARRIED

BD-10-073

Burrell - MacKenzie

“That the Board of Directors request that correspondence be forwarded to the Ministry of Natural Resources requesting assurance that the final phase of the Guthrie Park Shore Protection Revitalization project be funded in 2010 as it is a phased project meeting critical protection, safety and habitat work in the St. Clair River and further that the Ministry of Natural Resources resolve protocol for the funding of phased projects through to their completion.”

CARRIED

A staff report on Conservation Services Tree Planting Programs was discussed.

- trees (seedlings) arrived on April 20th this year, approximately one week earlier than normal.
- dry April weather and warm conditions had the Strathroy machine planting crew working the east half of the watershed on April 21st. The machine planting crew working out of the Darcy McKeough Dam started a week later on May 3rd. Unfortunately the wet weather in May saturated the clay soils in Lambton County and this resulted in a setback until conditions improved to permit crews back onto the land with equipment.
- a total of 77,000 trees were planted this year. The two machine crews planted 55,000 trees, split up equally between them, 13,000 were planted by the hand planting crew and another 9,000 were planted by landowners.
- the machine planting crew working out of Strathroy planted another 18,000 trees for Middlesex Stewardship Council (MSC) on 3 properties in the Lower Thames watershed, off of Longwoods road west of Melbourne. They were unable to agree to a planting price with the LTVCA last year and asked SCRCA for planting services again this year. It took them approximately 6 and half days to complete the projects for MSC.
- total number of trees planting by SCRCA staff was 68,000 plus the 18,000 for MSC = 86,000 trees.
- tree planting finished June 2nd.
- approximately \$145,000 in grant was provided to watershed landowners for spring tree planting.
- Waste Management
 - planting activities continue in the poplar leachate control site and screening berms at the new Twin Creeks Landfill expansion site north of Watford. A total of approximately 8000 seedlings and 400 large stock trees are being planted this spring.
 - more planting and maintenance will continue throughout the summer by the hand planting/larvicide crew.
- Invenergy-St. Clair Power

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- the new power plant on Petrolia Line in St. Clair Twp was planted with 2 acres of tree seedlings and 180 large stock 1.5m tall spruce and 5 meter tall maple and oak trees, compensating for woodlot removal under the County woodlot removal by-law.
- a summer watering and vegetation control maintenance program is scheduled for this project to ensure survival of the large stock trees.

BD-10-074**Napper - McMillan**

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 regarding spring 2010 tree planting on private, corporate and public lands.”

CARRIED

A staff report outlining trees planted in member municipalities for the last 6 years was reviewed.

- the Authority maintains a database of trees by the Authority
- planted in a single row windbreak 2,710,350 trees would stretch over 5400 km or along a Canadian route from Fredericton, NB to Vancouver, BC
- in a plantation, 2,710,350 trees would reforest almost 3,400 acres or 1,375 hectares
- the database was created in the late 1990's and records are very accurate for 1990 through today (records from 1975 through 1989 were created from project files but is not considered to be as accurate as the more recent data)
- plantings in St. Clair have been buoyed by the plantings at the McKeough Dam as well as Lambton County properties
- an additional 450,000 seedlings have been purchased by private landowners to be planted on their own properties since 1975

BD-10-075**Bilton - Jamieson**

“That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 outlining trees planted in each of the last 6 years in each of the municipalities of the Authority.”

CARRIED

A staff report on the Lambton County Community Health Services' West Nile Virus response program was presented.

- Lambton County Community Health Services has contracted the Authority again this year to continue undertaking the treatment of catch basins with larvicide pellets to control the threat of West Nile Virus for area residents.
- last year the program was downsized (due to provincial budget cuts) from 3 applications with 21 day intervals between applications, to 2 applications with a 30 day interval between applications. Dr. Greensmith from Lambton Health Services has determined that a viable program can still be maintained with this strategy to reduce the threat of West Nile Virus while operating within the reduced budget. The same strategy is planned for 2010
- four post secondary students were hired this summer to conduct the work. Staff were hired on May 3rd to start work on tree planting operations and herbicide application and will continue working on these projects and other Conservation Services Department related projects until the West Nile Virus larvicide treatment program begins in late June and early July
- the contract for 2010 for 2 treatments of the estimated 15,000 catch basins as well as pre and post

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- treatment monitoring is for \$79,600.00
- the Conservation Authority also treated a small number of catchbasins for Canada Commercial Services industrial site in Corunna last year. It has recently been purchased by Dupont Canada and they want to continue with the same treatment program again this year. A separate application to M.O.E is required for this and a separate permit will be issued.
- applications for permits for the treatment of catchbasins with the pelletized larvicide "methoprene" and the treatment of open water with *Bacillus thuringiensis* (Bti) will be processed and sent to M.O.E this week.

BD-10-076**Giffen - McGregor**

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 regarding the Authority's agreement with Lambton County to undertake the application of Larvicide to catch basins as part of Lambton County Community Health Services West Nile Virus Program."

CARRIED

A staff report on research and monitoring at the McKeough regarding Species at Risk and the Emerald Ash Borer was discussed.

BD-10-077**Miller - McNeil**

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 31, 2010 on the research and monitoring at the McKeough Dam regarding Species At Risk as well as Emerald Ash Borer and related species."

CARRIED

Regulations Activity Summaries dated April 30 and May 10, 2010 were considered.

BD-10-078**Marriott - Bilton**

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges and concurs with the Regulations Committee Reports on *"Development, Interference with Wetlands & Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses"* Regulations (Ontario Regulation 171/06), dated April 30, 2010 and May 31, 2010."

CARRIED

Planning Activity Summary Report for April and May 2010 was reviewed.

BD-10-079**Jamieson - MacKenzie**

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the St. Clair Region Conservation Authority's monthly Planning Activity Summary Reports for April and May 2010."

CARRIED

A staff report on proposals received for the Shoreline Management Plan was discussed.

- background: a "new" Shoreline Management Plan is being undertaken for the Lambton Shores shoreline within the SCRCA watershed and an update is also being undertaken for the 1996

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Shoreline Management Plan in Plympton-Wyoming, Sarnia and Point Edward. The update will mainly consist of housekeeping changes.

- status: the “Request for Proposals” with the approved Terms of Reference were forwarded to 3 coastal engineering consultants.
 - Shoreplan Engineering Ltd.
 - W.F. Baird & Associates Coastal Engineers
 - Water’s Edge Environmental Solutions Team Ltd.
- three proposals were received and were evaluated and scored by staff.
 - Baird and Associates Coastal Engineers proposal received the highest score and was also the lowest bid at \$79,134.61 including taxes. All contracts have been signed.
 - a kick off meeting between the consultant and the Steering Committee was held May 17 and the project is now underway. SCRCA data has been provided and there are some remaining items to be forwarded to the consultant.
 - as requested by the Board in April, a letter has been forwarded to Chippewas of Kettle Stony Point First Nation to inform them of the project and provide the Terms of Reference. The concluding paragraph of the letter stated the following: *“We will be advertising an Open House in the summer where the successful consultant will provide a presentation on coastal processes in the project area. This portion may be of interest to your residents. If you wish to receive an invitation with further information or wish to discuss the project further, please contact the undersigned”* To date, a response has not been received.
- Open House/presentations on the draft findings by the coastal engineering firm have been scheduled for:
 - Wednesday July 21, 2010 @ Camlachie Community Centre 5-9 pm (Sarnia, Pt. Edward and Plympton-Wyoming area)
 - Thursday July 22 , 2010 @ Indian Hills Golf Club 5-9 pm (Lambton Shores area)
 - public comment and input will be obtained during the summer months. Early input during the summer months was important in order to access the seasonal owners along the shoreline.

BD-10-080

Giffen - McMillan

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report on the proposals received for the Shoreline Management Plan and concurs with the project award to Baird and Associates Coastal Engineers for \$79,134.61 including taxes and further acknowledges the work undertaken to date and scheduled public open houses and presentations in July 2010."

CARRIED

A staff report on the St. Clair River AOC was presented.

- Contaminated Sediment Management Options Project Update
 - ENVIRON International Corporation is continuing to evaluate options to manage contaminated sediments in the St Clair River Area of Concern under the federally/provincially approved COA (Canada Ontario Agreement) Framework. The following status report is current to May 25, 2010.
 - CA staff and the Technical Steering Committee are drafting two Requests for Proposals for additional field work this summer to further study the river bottom.

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This information will allow a more accurate estimate of costs of the various sediment management options and better inform decision on preferred alternatives. The alternatives being considered include one, or a combination of: dredging, capping and monitoring natural recovery. The federal and provincial governments will fund the work and the Conservation Authority will manage the summer field work contracts.

- the Committee also recommended change orders to the ENVIRON contract to oversee this additional field work so that it meets the specified information needs. A motion has been drafted to authorize the General Manager or his designate to approve change orders to the original contract, to oversee this additional work by ENVIRON pending available funds.
- the summer field work consisting of geophysical, geotechnical and geochemical work will be acquired via SCRCA purchasing policies with award by designated SCRCA signing officials based on the Sediment Technical Team recommendation and confirmation of funding. Estimated cost is ~\$200,000.00
- an extension to the ENVIRON contract to allow time to receive and incorporate this additional field data into their final report has been approved. The contract has been extended from July 30, 2010 to October 29, 2010.
- Other AOC related activities
 - the Binational Public Advisory Council (BPAC) met April 28, 2010. At that meeting, the Council concurred with the Michigan Department of Natural Resources and Environment (DNRE) that the quality of dredge spoils from the U.S. navigational channel Michigan's criteria for re-designation of the restriction of dredging activities BUI in US navigational waters of the AOC. Based on this consultation, DNRE proposes to re-designate this BUI as unimpaired on the US side.
 - the St. Clair River RAP Canadian Implementation Committee is reviewing the criteria for the designation of Beneficial Use Impairments. As a first step, it developed guiding principles and presented them to the BPAC. The BPAC agreed with the review principles and the committee is proceeding with its review.
 - a cruise of the St. Clair River is being planned by the Michigan State Public Advisory Council as part of their spring meeting to view work done to date on the river and sites where projects are being planned for the coming year. Both American and Canadian members of the BPAC and federal, provincial, state and local representatives have been invited.

BD-10-081

Bruinink - McGregor

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 27, 2010 on the St. Clair River AOC and that the SCRCA signing officers or their designates be authorized to sign the change orders to the existing contract with ENVIRON Corp. for technical and field oversight work and follow purchasing procedures to award field survey services all of which are based on the Sediment Technical Team recommendations and subject to the confirmation of funding from Environment Canada and Ministry of the Environment."

CARRIED

A staff report on the proposed Plympton-Wyoming Official Plan and Zoning Policies was discussed.

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- Background
 - as the Board is aware, there is a section of shoreline in the Bluepoint area where vacant and occupied lots have eroded to the point where there is insufficient depth to construct new dwellings outside the safe erosion limit (50 year for existing lots of record). Many existing buildings are too close to top of bank and will need to be relocated. Relocation cannot occur outside the 25 year erosion limit in many instances. This a liability concern for the Authority in terms of issuing permits under our “Development, Interference with Wetlands & Alterations to Shorelines & Watercourses”, Ontario Regulation 171/06.
 - since the new Regulation has come into effect (2006), the SCRCA has not issued permits for dwellings (including new and replacement dwellings) in this high erosion area.
- Issue and Background
 - the County of Lambton and municipality is seeking ways to allow landowners to enjoy their properties for as long as possible while informing and protecting them from the hazard. In order to protect life and property, this means limiting the extent of development. The expected life span of a dwelling is 100 years.
 - the overall intent of the Provincial Shoreline Policy Statement is to minimize the potential risk to life and property. In evaluating proposals, Conservation Authority decisions must preserve the intent of this policy.
 - Section 7.4.8 of the Shoreline Provincial Policy Statement (PPS) Technical Guidelines states the following: “Where permitted, additions or alterations to existing development and the replacement of development located in the Regulatory shoreline should be critically evaluated with respect to the flood, erosion and dynamic beach hazards, ingress/egress provisions and environmental considerations. Factors should be considered in evaluating proposals:
 - do not encroach within the stable slope allowance;
 - *use extreme caution in areas of high to severe recession rates;*
 - *building should be moveable by design;*
 - *do not support proposed changes which intensify the land use (ie. Seasonal to permanent)”*
 - the municipal planners and Authority staff did agree that “readily” moveable structures could be a potential option for this area. There is currently an R/V airstream trailer that is legal non-conforming use within the Bluepoint High Erosion Area. This airstream trailer has been situated on the lot for many years. The municipality is in favour of removeable “mobile” type homes in the High Erosion Area. The Authority would need to issue permits for “removeable” mobile type homes as described by the municipality. The challenge: defining “readily” moveable and implementation and enforcement under the Authority’s Regulation. The Regulation does not allow the Authority to force a proponent to move a structure following the 2 year permit window time frame. Another consideration: Geotechnical/coastal expertise will be needed for determining when a structure is at risk and in need of removal ie. 5 metres from stable slope allowance (ssa)? Our solicitor has verbally informed us the Authority does risk proponents seeking compensation should a permit be issued for mobile structures that suffer damage as a result of erosion (ie. Falling down bluff as CA cannot enforce removal at the 5 metre from ssa).
 - the County of Lambton Planning Department (Will Nywening, P-W Planner and the Municipality of Plympton-Wyoming Council have proposed draft proposed Official Plan

and Zoning Bylaw policies for the Bluepoint High Erosion Area. The complete sections are attached, however the highlights are outlined below. Yellow highlighted areas are SCRCA notes. A municipal Open House for the Bluepoint changes is scheduled for Thursday June 24, 2010. A public meeting for the overall Official Plan review is June 30, 2010.

BD-10-082

McGregor - Burrell

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated May 28, 2010 on the Proposed Plympton-Wyoming Official Plan and Zoning Policies re: Bluepoint and further requests staff to seek a legal opinion on our risk associated with the implementation of a Conservation Authority Regulation policy for the Bluepoint Area which would mirror and complement the municipal policies and based on legal input received and rendered seek advice on recommendations pertaining to implementation and enforcement in conjunction with the municipality taking into consideration a zero net increase to the Authority."

CARRIED

A staff report regarding the Girgis appeal to the Mining and Lands Commissioner was reviewed.

- the applicant has formerly appealed the decision of the SCRCA Executive Committee and each party was provided a timeline for submitting their hearing information to the Office of Mining and Lands Commissioner.
- the applicant submitted their hearing package to the Office of the Mining and Lands Commissioner by the April 26, 2010 deadline.
- Grant Inglis, on behalf of the Authority, has submitted our hearing package to the Office of the Mining and Lands Commissioner to meet our June 2, 2010 deadline.
- it is the intent of the Office of the Mining and Lands Commissioner to arrange a mediated pre-hearing meeting in order to clarify the reasoning for the appeal, to attempt to meet a satisfactory compromise and/or to reach a solution that result in the appeal being withdrawn.
- the Office of the Mining and Lands Commissioner is attempting to arrange the mediated pre-hearing meeting for July 28, 2010. The applicant has decided that they will not agree to meet until they have had an opportunity to review our submission to the Mining and Lands Commissioner.

BD-10-082

MacKenzie - Miller

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the report dated June 1, 2010 regarding Ms. Mona Girgis' appeal to the Mining and Lands Commissioner regarding SCRCA's decision to refuse permission for Application #10359."

CARRIED

Authority revenue and expenditures to April 30, 2010, were reviewed.

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BD-10-083

Giffen - Marriott

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the revenue and expenditure report to April 30, 2010, as it relates to the budget."

CARRIED

April 2010 disbursements totaling \$296,390.32 were considered.

BD-10-084

Jamieson - MacKenzie

"That the Board of Directors approves the April 2010 disbursements as presented in the amount of \$296,390.32."

CARRIED

A status report on general levy received to date was discussed.

BD-10-085

McGregor - Phair

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the status report on the 2010 general levy receipts to May 31, 2010."

CARRIED

A staff report on insurance premium comparisons was discussed.

- SCRCA has incurred an increase of \$9,918 in premium from 2009 to 2010. This increase is based on the fact that all of the insurance products with the exception of the Umbrella Liability and the General Liability can be directly attributable to each of the Authorities in the group insurance program. However with the two Liability products are billed to the group in a lump sum premium, the premium is then allocated based on the following factors:
 - receipt; acreage of land; number of campsites; number of swimming areas; number of dams and weirs; total dykes in meters and storage capacity of dams.
- there is a set formula used for this allocation, based on these factors, as approved by the Insurance Committee, however over the past several years the allocation of the premium has not necessarily followed that formula. As a result a number of Authorities have been unfairly applied a larger portion of the premium than was required and therefore have been subsidizing a number of other Authorities in their share of the premium. We are one of the Authorities that have been subsidized.
- through the correction process of this problem it has become evident that this inequity cannot be corrected all at once and will take at least two renewal periods to do so. Therefore we will be experiencing an above normal increase in the Liability portion of our insurance for the last two years.
- Conservation Ontario will be having several meetings throughout the region over the next while to review the problem and what is proposed to ensure that the premium is applied fairly and equitably to the participating Conservation Authorities.

BD-10-086

Jamieson - Miller

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the insurance premium comparison report dated June 1, 2010 and further approves the payment for the 2010 premiums of \$87,483.00 and investigate the referenced apportioning formula and rates to ensure that it is applied fairly and equitably to the participating Conservation Authorities."

CARRIED

The Health and Safety report was considered.

- **Workwell Audit - action plan.**
 - in April 2009, the Authority was given notice that we had been selected to undergo a Workwell audit by the WSIB. On February 11, 2010 the Authority underwent that Workwell. The audit mainly consisted of a review of the Authority's Health and Safety documentation, interviewing of several of the Authority staff and then a visit to the Conservation Services workshop. On March 22, 2010 we received the result of that audit. There are several items that need to be addressed in preparation for his return visit November 9, 2010.
 - we have had the privilege of working with Sharon Orr through the Job Creation Program for the past month. She assisted us to ensure the items raised by the Workwell audit will be met. Sharon received full time work starting June 2nd; we were able to bring on Mr. Greg Hobson to fill this JCP position and look forward to working with him to carry on where Sharon left off and also assist the Authority in meeting its requirements under the Accessibility Act.
- **New Health and Safety Policy Manual**
 - in April of 2009 when the Authority was notified that we had been selected to receive a Workwell audit, the JHSC (Joint Health and Safety Committee) began to review the current Health and Safety Policy Manual. At that time the manual was approximately 24 pages and was in need of being updated. At that time Conservation Ontario circulated a generic Health and Safety Policy manual which the JHSC reviewed and felt was not only current but met our needs. The JHSC then reviewed the manual and made several additions and deletions based upon our authority needs and programs. That modified version was then presented to the Workwell auditor along with the authority's current manual; he understood the new expanded version was pending board approval. The auditor reviewed both documents and made suggestion on both but was in agreement the new expanded version was superior. The JHSC then incorporated the auditor suggestion and then circulated the new document to senior management. After the review by senior management the JHSC incorporated the input received

BD-10-087

McMillan - Giffen

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the Health and Safety report dated June 1, 2010 and further approve the Health and Safety Policy Manual dated June 2010."

CARRIED

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A Staff Report on the Sarnia Bay Marina was presented. Tom McGregor declared a conflict on interest and did not participate in the discussion or vote on the motion.

- Operations: Bridgeview Marina continues to provide excellent standards in customer service and day to day operations of the marina and facilities. Marketing and community involvement is excellent and many positive comments have been received.
- Marketing: a key strength of Bridgeview Marina is marketing and partnership development with local business and events. Dave Brown has also developed a cooperative program with other local US Marinas to market the region as a destination.
- Administrative requirements: Dave Brown and Authority staff continue to meet once a month to ensure that this critical process continues to be monitored. Extended effort has been required to receive timely submissions of the proper financial and other required documentation from Bridgeview Marina. Clear and complete written communication is critical to the process as a tracking and monitoring component of the agreements.

BD-10-088

MacKenzie - Miller

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the Sarnia Bay Marina report dated June 1, 2010 which includes a memo dated May 28, 2010 from Dave Brown, Managing Partner of Bridgeview Marina on the Sarnia Bay Marina outlining the 2009 financial position, anticipated 2010 operating conditions, marketing for 2010 and proposed capital works, all as part of the 5 year Operating Agreement for the City of Sarnia, Sarnia Bay Marina."

CARRIED

A staff report on Education Program was discussed:

- Staff Recognition: Kim Gledhill was presented with the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation "Commitment to Education Award, 2010" Kim has worked very hard on developing curriculum related programs at the secondary level. She has been able to broaden the scope of grades participating in SCRCA education programs with her dedication to her work.
- Spring Programs: program spaces are fully booked through to the end of the school year. A waiting list has been established so cancellations can be filled if they occur.
 - LCH: 1900 expected in spring session.
 - Dow Wetlands: 800 are expected this spring.
- Canoe Race: 87 boats paddled in the Annual Sydenham River Canoe Race. An impressive total for fund raising was reached this year with \$4,500.00 being raised for Conservation Education. Staff continue to work on upgrades, (such as introduction of a computer program) to improve the speed of finalizing results at the event.
- Arbor Week Activities
 - Poetry Contest: 3 winning schools received one Sugar Maple Seedling per student. Brooke Central and Lambton Centennial will plant the trees at their school and Errol Village students will give the trees to their Dads for Father's Day.
 - Tree Planting: Suncor Trail- Saturday May 1, 2010 - 30 trees and 50 shrubs were planted along the linear trail with the assistance of 3 Union Gas volunteers, 2 City staff and 2 Arbor Committee Members.

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- Geocaching: the “*Garmin e-Trex Legend*” GPS units purchased by the Foundation in 2008, are being regularly used as Geocaching continues to gain in popularity. Curriculum related topics are enhanced with the aid of these high tech instruments. In addition to regular class field trips, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides and many School Enrichment Programs are booking the activity for the enhanced learning opportunities they provide.
- Meetings:
 - Children’s Water Festival: the SCRCA will provide 3 staff to assist over a 5 day period for the Festival.
 - Friends of the St. Clair River: a great deal of discussion was held around the new project on the Bay Point Lands in Sarnia. Four educational tours will be given this spring and new signage will be put up to replace the old signage on the site. Other ideas on the agenda are removing phragmites around the wetland, a tall grass prairie garden in memory of Peter Henderson and planting native trees.
- Upcoming events:
 - May 28 – 29 Ontario Nature Conference: presentations on healthy watersheds, The River Rap Program and the Geocaching Program will be presented at the conference. In addition, the Watershed Services Department will be providing a presentation on Wonders of the Sydenham River.
 - June 5: Yellow Fish Road Day. Shell employees and their families will be participating on June 5th, YFR Day, with storm drain marking events and BBQs in 4 Alberta and Ontario cities. The SCRCA is a partner in this program and we have been asked to assist in the Sarnia Field Day. An SCRCA display will be manned, show casing aquatic bugs and select “Children’s Waterfest Activities” will be organized for families to enjoy.
 - June 9: Nature Hike at the Bay Point Lands with Friends of the St. Clair
 - June 11: Strathroy Horticultural Youth Group. Evening walk at Strathroy Conservation Area
 - June 12: Kids Funfest at Centennial Park, Sarnia. Theme of presentation is “Let’s green it up!”
 - June 16: Petrolia Discovery: Aquatic Bugs, evening presentation
 - June 23: Geocaching at The Bay Point Lands with Friends of the St. Clair: one of 4 education tours being offered to the public to promote the Bay Point Lands.

BD-10-089

Marriott - Bilton

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the education staff report dated May 25, 2010 including the Ontario Secondary School Teachers Federation Commitment to Education Award, spring education programs, canoe race, arbour week activities, geocaching, meetings and upcoming events."

CARRIED

The meeting went In Camera to discuss identifiable individuals.

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BD-10-090

MacKenzie - Bruinink

"That the Board of Directors go in camera at 1:55 p.m. to discuss identifiable individuals with all staff remaining."

CARRIED

BD-10-091

Marriott - McNeil

"That the Board of Directors rise and report at 1:59 p.m."

CARRIED

BD-10-092

MacKenzie - Bruinink

"That the Board of Directors acknowledges the 2010 Conservation Scholarships report dated June 2, 2010 and confirms the winning candidates."

CARRIED

Steve Arnold thanked everyone for their work on the scholarship program.

Alan McNeil, a director and camper at the Warwick Conservation Area expressed his concern about the low voltage problems. Staff explained that they are working with Hydro One to rectify the problem. It is believed that problems within the Village of Warwick are causing low voltage problems in the Conservation Area. Hydro One is doing work in the Village and we are hopeful that this will correct the problems the Conservation Area is experiencing.

BD-10-093

Burrell - Miller

"That the meeting be adjourned."



Andy Bruziewicz
Chairman

Ralph Coe
General Manager