

Minutes of Meeting

Vermilion River Stewardship

Wednesday, June 11, 2014

7:00-9:30 pm

Beaver Lake Sports and Recreation Club

Present: Linda Heron, Terry Little, Marc Samson, Erik Oja, Lesley Flowers, Dale Kilbey, Ken Makela, Helen Makela, Sheri Purdon

1. Adoption of Agenda:

Moved by Marc Samson

Seconded by Dale Kilbey

Adopted

2. Adoption of Minutes of April 23, 2014 Meeting

Moved by Marc Samson seconded by Sheri Purdon

Adopted

3. Reports

- **Executive Report – Attached as Addendum 1**
- **Finance Report – Attached as Addendum 1**
- **Constitution Review Committee** - Due to the provincial election being called the bill carrying the non profit legislation reforms was dropped and will have to be reintroduced. Preliminary perusal of the bill raised some concerns about powers of a member to influence the organization agenda.

Motion to approve the reports by Leslie Flowers seconded by Ken Makela.

Adopted

4. Old Business

a. Lower Vermilion Source Water Quality Monitoring Project

- Meeting from May 13th looked at possibility of another OTF Grant but decided wait for the Final Report to better see what is required.
- AI will not be available for the entire season but there are enough hours in the budget for Conservation Sudbury to cover for him.
- The Final Report deadline is March 1st. Anoop's report deadline is Jan 15th and then has to be validated which may be tight.
- Marte has purchased six \$50 gas cards for the lake partners.
- Conservation Sudbury will store data for VRS for now.

b. Wabagishik update.

- In consultation with Ecojustice, Linda wrote to the MOE Director of Approvals, detailing VRS and ORA objections that the Class EA requires that projects be predictable, repeatable or mitigable, and none of the waterpower proposals that the ORA has made Part II Order requests on meet these requirements.

c. Hutchinson's Lake water quality report.

- There appears to be problems with the model that is based on questionable data. VRS has no confidence in the Hutchinson Report.

d. Duhamel and Dewar

- Planning a large new structure to house their offices and show room.

- A new field bed that meets all regulatory requirements is planned.
- Will allow for a large buffer to the river.

e. **Totten Mine tour on Saturday.**

f. **Lorne Falls hydroelectric dam** - tour will be scheduled in fall.

5. **New Business**

a. Wastewater Master Plan Meeting

- Consolidation of older plants is being planned.
- Linda wrote a letter commending the city on this effort and asking to be consulted in future planning.

b. CASL. Anti-Spam legislation effective July 1st. All members have to give consent before receiving email from VRS.

- Does our liability insurance cover directors?

Motion to provide for CASL regulations in our constitution for the January AGM by Dale Kilbey, seconded by Leslie Flowers **Adopted**

6. **Next Meeting:** Wednesday, September 10th, 7PM at the Beaver Lake Sports & Cultural Centre

Addendum 1
Vermilion River Stewardship
EXECUTIVE REPORT
11 June 2014

Report from Chair

Meetings:

- 24 April 2014 – Sheri & Linda manned a table at GSWA Water Event – Dynamic Earth
- 25 April 2014 – Met with Randy Battochio, Cambrian College, at his request to talk about potential partnering of study on Simon Lake. Suggested he should talk to David Furino of Simon Lake Community Stewardship Group.
- 30 April 2014 – Met with Duhamel & Dewar at their request to discuss their plans to build a new facility adjacent to their current buildings.
- 5 May 2014 – Met with Lesley, Lilly Noble, Naomi Grant and Lynn Gibson to discuss the Hutchinson Report and to prepare for our meeting with Stephen Monet and Mark Simeoni.
- 6 May 2014 – Webinar – Extreme Makeover - How Six Model Municipalities are Greening Their Water Management Program.
- 12 June 2014 – GSWA Meeting – Sheri attended on behalf of VRS.
- 13 May 2014 - Strategic Planning Committee met to plan the next phase of our sampling, as well as well as the final reporting.
- 15 May 2014 – Linda, Lesley and Lilly met with Stephen Monet and Marc Simeoni regarding the Hutchinson Report.
- 2 June 2014 – Public Open House – Sudbury Water Wastewater Master Plan
- 6 June 2014 – Strategic Planning Committee met with Conservation Sudbury to discuss details of the sampling year and preparations for the final report.
- 7 June 2014 – ORA General Meeting – North Bay
- 9 June 2014 – Marte and Chair met to go over VRS Financial Statement and to discuss best way forward.

Correspondence:

- 2 May 2014 – ORA Submission - [Re: Draft Large Renewable Procurement Policy](#)
- 14 May 2014 – VRS letter to Stephen Monet – [Re: Water Quality Lake Capacity Model – Hutchinson Report](#).
- 21 May 2014 – ORA Submission – [Re: EBR 012-1120 Provincial Fish Strategy](#)
- 28 May 2014 – Received letter of Notice of Commencement and interest from Stan Holden, Project Manager for WSP Canada, [Re: City of Greater Sudbury Class EA Water and Wastewater Master Plan](#). Completed their form to notify of VRS stakeholder interest and involvement in the process.
- 10 June 2014 – VRS Comments [Re: City of Greater Sudbury Class EA Water and Wastewater Master Plan](#)

Financial Report

- Received last OTF Installment
- Accounts Payable and Accounts Receivable current
- **VRS Balance: \$1,344.77**
- **Project Balance: \$59,090.50**

Linda Heron