

AGENDA

Vermilion River Stewardship

Wednesday, 8 June, 2016

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm

Beaver Lake Sports & Cultural Club, 55 Club Road, Worthington, ON

Present: Linda Heron, Terry Little, Ron Basso, Sheri Purdon, Dale Kilbey, Marc Samson, Eija Hietaharju, Byron Basso

Regrets: Marte Halouka

1. Adoption of Agenda

Moved by Marc Samson
Seconded by Ron Basso

Carried

2. Adoption of Minutes of Meeting: 13 April 2016

Moved by Marc Samson
Seconded by Dale Kilbey

Carried

4. Reports

- **Executive** – Linda (attached)
Motion to accept by Dale Kilbey
Seconded by Ron Basso
- **Finance** – Terry (attached)
Motion to accept by Byron Basso
Seconded by Marc Samson

Carried

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5. Old Business

- **Wabagishik Update - Linda**
 - FIT contracts have been terminated, Xeneca is no longer in operation
 - Xeneca did not do a geomorphology or water quality study on the lake as was stated in the MOE report.
 - Linda to clarify this error with MOECC
- **Lower Vermilion Source Water Monitoring Project**
 - Maaxim data has been received but appears some results are missing. Sheri and Al will review to determine what is missing. **Action**
 - Carrie will compile 2015 Maaxam data, and create charts to correlate data with flow and bypass data - \$1084 for her services **Action**
 - Sheri will compile bypass data and forward to Carrie **Action**
 - OTF has extended the deadline for project completion to August 6th
- **River Clean-up 2016**
 - A fantastic turn-out – 28 people came out to help
 - Whitefish Lion's Club and Basso family looked after feeding our hungry crew
 - Check out the photos on our website blog
 - Called MOECC to pick up the fuel oil tank
 - Tank is on Crown land, so they have asked MNR to deal with it

- Brian Riche, Supervisor, MNRF, is sending someone out to check it out
- **Film Shoot by James Sidney with Linda was done on May 9th**

6. New Business

- **Official Plan Review**
 - Vermilion River isn't even mentioned in the Official Plan
 - Refers to the City of Greater Sudbury being in the Spanish and French Watersheds
 - Vermilion River Watershed needs to be included in list of watershed studies
 - As a stewardship we need to focus on promoting the Natural Heritage of the Vermilion River so that the community and beyond appreciate the value of the Vermilion River
 - Linda made a presentation and submission to City Council about this in 2012
 - Wastewater will be addressed in Phase II
 - Concerned that federal infrastructure funds have been assigned to Maley Drive extension, rather than WW and stormwater upgrades
 - VRS will be contributing to a joint OP submission with Coalition for a Liveable Sudbury, GSWA, and others
- **WWTF**
 - Bypassed 268,000 m³ in March
 - 31 bypass alerts on May 13
 - Ann Pomerleau sent photos of Ella Lake boat launch area from May 16 – very ugly. She also sent a letter to the editor
- **Invasive Species Boat Launch Signage**
 - City will supply and install the signs
 - Linda will request signs at Ella, Wabagishik, Kusk and Centennial Park
- **Rendezvous Whitewater Stewardship**
 - Gary Michalak of Café-musique Productions is hosting a Vermilion River Canoe Challenge in mid-September highlighting the history of the Vermilion River and Whitewater Lake
 - Will focus on film/stories about the river/parks and history
 - Recommend we partner with them on this project
 - Gary will be joining VRS

Action

7. Next Meeting – 13 October 2016

Vermilion River Stewardship EXECUTIVE REPORT

8 June 2016

Report from Chair

Meetings:

20 April 2016 – GSWA Event – Greater Shorelines Greater Living, Science North
21 April 2016 – Strategic Planning Committee Meeting, Penage Community Centre
24 to 27 April 2016 – Energy Access Forum, The Agenda, Perimeter Institute, Toronto
8 to 9 May 2016 – Fieldworks Filming, Vermilion River
12 May 2016 – Good Green Town Hall, 1 of 4 Panel Members, Sudbury. I focused on the issue of wastewater bypasses.
15 May 2016 – 2016 Vermilion River Clean-up
3 June 2016 – Great Lakes Protection Act Alliance – Teleconference
6 June 2016 – City of Greater Sudbury Official Plan – Public Information Meeting, Lively
7 June 2016 – City of Sudbury Official Plan Review – CLS, Rethink Green

Correspondence:

20 April 2016 – EBR 012-5634 – ORA Submission - Proposed Amendment to the Class EA for Waterpower
3 May 2016 – IESO Survey Completed – Large Renewable Procurement Review
18 May 2016 – MOECC, Minister's Decision Letter to VRS – Proposed Wabagishik Rapids ER
18 May 2016 – MOECC, Minister's Decision Letter to Xeneca – Proposed Wabagishik Rapids ER
24 May 2016 – IESO – FIPPA Response – Terminated FIT Contracts
25 May 2016 – Thank you letter from VRS to Whitefish District Lion's Club.

Linda Heron
Chair

Income - Expenses - Budget	VERMILION RIVER STEWARDSHIP					
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	Dec 31 2014	2014 Budget	Dec 31 2015	2015 Budget	Dec 31 2016	2016 Budget
Revenue						
Contributions	75.00	0.00	20.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership Dues	665.00	915.00	345.00	800.00	175.00	800.00
Grants - Other	0.00	0.00	500.00	0.00	0.00	500.00
Fundraising	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest	1.21	2.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Other	126.21	0.00	101.70	0.00	0.00	0.00
Sub-Total	867.42	917.00	966.70	800.00	175.00	1,300.00
Project Income						
2012 - December						
2013 - June	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	
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2014 - June	24,300.00	24,300.00	0.00		0.00	
KGHM International - Donation			15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Total Grant Proceeds	24,300.00	24,300.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
Total Revenue	25,167.42	25,217.00	15,966.70	15,800.00	175.00	16,300.00
Operating Expenses						
Office	21.48	150.00	0.00	100.00	12.50	100.00
Website	157.00	111.00	146.32	160.00	192.90	160.00
Honorarium	0.00	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Membership Fees	125.00	120.00	20.00	120.00	120.00	120.00
Meeting Expenses	130.80	100.00	326.70	250.00	0.00	250.00
Miscellaneous	126.71	0.00	101.70	0.00	0.00	500.00
Total Operating	560.99	581.00	594.72	630.00	325.40	1,130.00
Project expenses						
Labs - Sampling	24,501.80	25,000.00	0.00	16,000.00	11,121.00	16,000.00
Conservation Sudbury - Technicians	15,000.00	15,000.00	0.00	5,691.00	9,226.00	5,691.00
Travel Expenses	1,140.00	4,200.00	0.00	5,670.00	9,214.00	5,670.00
Operating Expenses	1,178.43	4,400.00	918.00	2,350.00	918.00	2,350.00
Equipment	1,474.03	0.00	0.00	2,000.00	0.00	2,000.00
Total Project Expenses	43,294.26	48,600.00	918.00	31,711.00	30,479.00	31,711.00
Total Expenses	43,855.25		1,512.72		30,804.40	
Current period Surplus/Deficit	(18,687.83)		14,453.98		(30,629.40)	
Previous period Surplus/Deficit	37,902.01		19,214.18		33,668.16	
Surplus/Deficit	19,214.18		33,668.16		3,038.76	
Actual Project Deficit/Surplus	\$17,629.24		\$31,711.24		\$1,232.24	
Actual VRS Deficit/Surplus	\$1,584.94		\$1,956.92		\$1,806.52	