



**MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING OF THE MATTAGAMI REGION  
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY HELD MONDAY, JUNE 3, 2024 AT 4:30 PM,  
CONSERVATION AUTHORITY OFFICE, TIMMINS, ONTARIO.**

**Present:** Rock Whissell, Chair  
Andrew Marks  
David Vallier, General Manager  
Bill Gvozdanovic  
Joe Torlone

**Regrets:** Lorne Feldman

**Recorder:** Jennifer Bonsall

**1.0 Addition to the Agenda**

- 8.1 Funding updates
- 7.2 Overnight property use request

**2.0 Delegations and Presentations—None**

**3.0 Adoption of Minutes**

3.1 Adoption of Minutes of May 1, 2024.

*Resolution No. 2024-1650*

*Proposed by: Joe Torlone*

*Seconded by: Andrew Marks*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Minutes of a Regular Meeting of the Mattagami Region Conservation Authority held on May 1, 2024 as described on pages 832 to 834 of the Minute Book are hereby approved as circulated.*

*June 3, 2024*

*Carried*

**4.0 Declaration of Conflict of Interest—None**

**5.0 Reports**

5.1 General Manager Report

The GM provided an update on the ongoing shoreline ownership discussions with the City of Timmins Clerk. Confirmation has been received from the MNR that they do not own the shoreline road allowance. The MNR contact information has been provided to the City Clerk for further discussion and to determine ownership. Until ownership is resolved, no permitting for shoreline repairs or building can take place. Bonaventure Dr. does not apply to these discussions due to a by-law passed by the City of Timmins confirming their ownership of the shoreline road allowance in that area.

In response to questions from the Board, the GM confirmed that there is ongoing discussion with the City of Timmins regarding an MOU for financial services; encampments are not allowed on MRCA properties; and damaged boardwalk boards are replaced as required.

## 5.2 Plan Input Report

Plan input and comments under O. Reg 165/06, minor variances, consents, severances, zoning by-law amendments and legal inquiries were provided to the Board.

## 5.3 DWSP Report

Information was shared about ongoing water awareness activities.

## 5.4 Regulations Officer Report

Regulations Officer Report was reviewed with no inquiries.

## 5.5 Motion to Accept Administrative Reports

*Resolution No. 2024-1651*

*Proposed by: Andrew Marks*

*Seconded by: Joe Torlone*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Administrative Reports, consisting of the General Manager's Report, Plan Input Report, the Drinking Water Source Protection Report, and the Regulations Officer Report have been received by the Board for information purposes.*

*June 3, 2024*

*Carried*

## 6.0 Items for Discussion

### 6.1 Conservation Areas / Trail Upkeep

The GM noted that there is an incredible amount of garbage being collected throughout our properties. Currently, the bulk of summer employee time is spent cleaning up garbage, picking up from our cans and transporting to the dump.

Contract work has been completed to resurface a section of the Bart Thomson Trail. A drag was built by the contractor which substantially increased the amount of work able to be completed in a short time.

Northern Fencing has been asked to re-inspect installed lighting along Porcupine Lake due to loose fasteners.

Contract work to fill and repair Hwy 655 Gillies Lake parking lot and Hersey Lake parking lot has been completed.

Grass cutting has begun, and a contractor has been secured to assist with Mountjoy Historical CA until high school students begin work in July.

The Board requested that staff track the number of hours being devoted to community clean-up activities. Discussion followed about the possibility of installing recyclable containers vs bear bins.

## 6.2 Boychuk Drive

Communication received from a Boychuk Drive property owner regarding road ownership was reviewed and discussed. Historical information regarding the confusion about ownership and maintenance was presented and current road maintenance being completed voluntarily by the City was discussed. Councillor Gvozdanovic will follow up with the property owner regarding minimum road maintenance standards in response to the request sent to him.

## 6.3 1215 Riverside Drive

Discussions with the property owner regarding potential development are ongoing. A request for development in the floodplain will require a deputation to the Board. The possibility of development within the conditional development zone may be an option.

## 7.0 Items for Decision

### 7.1 Timmins Wake Park Hospitality Area

The proposal for a temporary hospitality tent received from Timmins Wake Park was reviewed.

*Resolution No. 2024-1652*

*Proposed by: Andrew Marks*

*Secoded by: Joe Torlone*

*WHEREAS a request has been received from Boombox Wakeparks regarding the temporary establishment of hospitality tent and viewing area at the Timmins Wake Park site in the Gillies Lake Conservation Area during July 19-20, 2024;*

*AND WHEREAS Tap It! & Full Beard Brewing would manage and operate the sale of alcoholic beverages between the hours of 12:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.;*

*AND WHEREAS the Authority Board has reviewed the information provided in the Hospitality Area Proposal on June 3, 2024,*

*LET IT THEREFORE BE RESOLVED THAT the Mattagami Region Conservation Authority Board does support the placement of a temporary hospitality tent with alcohol service as specified in the attached proposal.*

*June 3, 2024*

*Carried*

## 7.2 Overnight property use request

The application for overnight use of the Gillies Lake CA by the Timmins Amateur Radio Club was reviewed.

*Resolution No. 2024-1653  
Proposed by: Joe Torlone  
Seconded by: Andrew Marks*

*BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Mattagami Region Conservation Authority Board hereby approve, as per R.R.O. 1990, REGULATION 118, an overnight property use permit for the Timmins Amateur Radio Club's use of the Gillies Lake Conservation Area for the Radio Amateurs of Canada Field Day which will run from 9:00 a.m. on June 22, 2024 to 5:00 p.m. on June 23, 2024.*

*June 3, 2024*

*Carried*

## 8.0 For Your Information

### 8.1 Funding Updates

The GM provided an update regarding current funding applications in progress. It was noted that all funding applications are completed internally by MRCA staff.

## 10.0 Date for Next Meeting

Next meeting to be called at the discretion of the Chair.

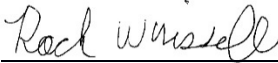
## 11.0 Adjournment

*Resolution No. 2024-1654  
Proposed by: Joe Torlone  
Seconded by: Andrew Marks*

*THAT this meeting adjourn at 5:30 p.m.*

*June 3, 2024*

*Carried*

  
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Rock Whissell, Chair

October 2, 2024  
Date