

HOLLAND MARSH DRAINAGE SYSTEM JOINT MUNICIPAL SERVICES BOARD

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MINUTES

MEETING DATE: Thursday, August 6, 2009

TIME: 1:00 p.m.

LOCATION: Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury, Admin Centre,
100 Dissette Street, Bradford, ON

ATTENDANCE RECORD:

MEMBERS PRESENT: John McCallum, Councillor – BWG
Doug White, Mayor – BWG
Margaret Black, Mayor – King
William Eek, Appointee
Dan Sopuch, Appointee
Brian Vissèr, Appointee

REGRETS: Jack Rupke, Councillor – King
Jim Verkaik, Member-at-Large

STAFF PRESENT: Jay Currier, CAO – BWG
Scott Somerville, CAO – King
Frank Jonkman, Drainage Superintendent
Sarah Murray, Secretary Treasurer

REGRETS: Chris Somerville, Clerk – King

OTHERS:

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1.	<u>Call to Order</u>	<i>John McCallum</i>
1.1	HM-2009-062 Moved by: B. Eek Seconded by: B. Visser "That this meeting of the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board come to order at 1:20 p.m." CARRIED.	
2.	<u>Declaration of Pecuniary Interest</u>	<i>John McCallum</i>
2.1	Chairman McCallum reminded Members of the Board of the Municipal Conflict of Interest legislation and requirements thereunder. There were no declarations of Municipal Conflict of Interest declared.	
3.	<u>Approval of Agenda / Changes</u>	<i>John McCallum</i>
	Chairman McCallum asked if there were any additions for the Agenda and there was one item of correspondence sent by the LSRCA dated July 30, 2009 to King Township. This correspondence referred to a Resolution passed by their Board of Directors on the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan. The question tabled here was whether or not this Board need pass a Resolution also as it maintains a vested interest in the Holland Marsh and the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan may have significant impact on the area and the Project Chairman McCallum advised that once the impacts and targets of the Plan are better defined, then this Board can get involved in unison with both municipalities. The goal at present should be to invite a delegate from the Ministry of Environment to a board meeting to engage in a question & answer session with respect to the impacts of this Plan on the Holland Marsh and surrounding area It was decided the above item did not require attention on the Agenda at this time.	
3.1	HM-2009-063 Moved by: B. Visser Seconded by: B. Eek "That the Board approve the agenda, dated Thursday, August 6, 2009, as amended." CARRIED.	
4.	<u>Adoption of Board Minutes</u>	<i>John McCallum</i>

- 4.1 Chairman McCallum asked if there were any errors or omissions to the Minutes. There were no changes and declared the Minutes adopted and signed same.

HM-2009-064

Moved by: M. Black

Seconded by: B. Eek

“That the Minutes of the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board meeting held on Thursday, June 25, 2009, be approved, as printed and circulated.”

CARRIED.

5. **Comments by the Chairman**

John McCallum

Chairman McCallum extended his gratitude to the Drainage Superintendent / Project Manager for the Holland Marsh Drainage System Canal Improvement Project, for his persistence in acquiring top soil for the trial work area at Interval 1. As there had recently been a significant donation made by various groups which includes a number of trees, shrubs, mulch as well as the labour and equipment to plant them, the trial area needed to be primed in order to proceed with the tree planting.

Plantings are scheduled to begin Monday, August 10, 2009. Chairman McCallum then invited all Board members and associated staff to attend onsite and help plant trees as a community effort. Trees are courtesy of the South Simcoe Streams Network, which obtained in-kind donations and funding through various sources at no cost to this Board or the landowners. This is in part an effort to show the community what the finished product can look like at Interval 1.

6. **Presentations / Deputations**

John McCallum

7. **Correspondence / Reports**

John McCallum

8. **New Business**

Chairman McCallum asked if there were any questions related to the following loan Agreement with the Royal Bank of Canada.

It was earlier confirmed that both the Town of BWG Treasurer and the Board’s legal council have both read and approve of the agreement.

8.1 **HM-2009-065**

John McCallum

Moved by: B. Eek

Seconded by: B. Visser

“WHEREAS the Councils of the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury

and the Township of King have established the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Service Board to have control and manage the Holland Marsh Drainage System;

AND WHEREAS an engineer has been appointed to complete a Section 78 report on the Holland Marsh Drainage System, it has yet to be adopted by the Council of the initiating municipality;

AND WHEREAS the *Drainage Act*, R.S.O. 1990 requires adoption of the drainage report before any related costs can be levied to affected landowners;

AND WHEREAS this Board requires a credit facility to carry the debt associated with the engineer's report, a Loan Agreement from the Royal Bank of Canada, dated July 21, 2009 is proposed here;

NOW THEREFORE, this Board approve the Loan Agreement and that authorization be given to the Chair and Vice-Chair to execute said agreement, as printed and circulated."

CARRIED.

The Drainage Superintendent proceeded with a quick verbal update on project activities in the Holland marsh.

A meeting took place with the LSRCA regarding permits for a few very large but temporary stock piling fill sites for the project as opposed to having several small sites. A permit application has been submitted to the CA and is awaiting approval. A permit for King will be submitted shortly and the Township will be made aware of the proposed location.

A report is coming before the Town of Bradford West Gwillimbury Council regarding the Holland River Drain and municipal drains in general which are under its jurisdiction. In an effort to streamline all agricultural drainage activity in the Town, the report recommends that all such activities be under the supervision and management of this Board.

Additionally, this Board has since received a Tile Loan Application from a farmer in Bradford West Gwillimbury. This same farmer will also be submitting an Application to King Township for another tile drain.

Questions were raised as to when the Jane Street bridge is expected to begin construction. It was advised that efforts are being made to start the Tender application process this fall.

9. **Future Meeting Schedule**

John McCallum

9.1 **HM-2009-066**

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Moved by: B. Visser
Seconded by: B. Eek

The next meeting of the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board has been scheduled for August 20, 2009 at 7:30pm at a location to be determined.

**THIS DATE HAS SINCE BEEN RE-SCHEDULED
DUE TO CONFLICTING SCHEDULES**

10.

Adjournment

John McCallum

10.1


HM-2009-067

Moved by: B. Visser
Seconded by: D. Sopuch

"That this meeting of the Holland Marsh Drainage System Joint Municipal Services Board adjourn at 2:10 p.m."
CARRIED.



Sarah Murray, Secretary Treasurer



John McCallum, Chairman