

**Minutes**  
**WUQWATR Board of Directors February 24, 2017**  
**Regina, 10:30 AM**

Present: Fred Clipsham, Sherwin Petersen, Sandra Bathgate, Claudette Halladay, David Sloan, Rod Halyk, Jim Elliott, Barry Gunther, Kelly Butz and Geoff Merifield.

Absent: Garry Dixon, Garth Burns.

Staff: Colleen Fennig

Guest:

**1. Introductions**

Meeting was called to order at 10:40 am. All board members introduced themselves to Sherwin Petersen (Rural Municipal Representative, Lanigan/Manitou).

Barry Gunther announced that Fred Clipsham received a lifetime achievement award for his years of service from SUMA.

**2. Approval of Agenda**

**Motion (Gunther/Sloan) (M/S/C)** that the agenda be approved.

**Motion(Gunther/Merifield)(M/S/C)**to acknowledge Sherwin Petersen as a WUQWATR board member appointed by the Resort Village of Manitou Beach to complete the term of Associate Rep (Tim Davies).

**3. In Camera Session**

-10:55 to 11:05 Colleen left the room.

Jim Elliott arrived at the meeting.

**4. Standardization of Meeting Notifications**

- there was a need to give out standard notice to all board members, especially new ones as well as directions, numbers of meetings, locations.

**5. December 16, 2016 Minutes**

**Motion (Merifield/Halyk) (M/S/C)** that the minutes of December 16, 2016 be approved.

**5. a) Business Arising**

- Membership Fee Structure

**Motion (Halyk/Gunther) (M/S/C)** that the membership fee structure be the following:

Cities - \$0.10 per census population

Towns, Villages & Resort Villages based on census population

0-100 - \$50.00

101-200 - \$75.00

201-400 - \$100.00

401-1000 - \$150.00

1001-2500 - \$200.00

2501+ - \$0.10 per census population

Rural Municipalities - \$250.00

Organizations & Corporations - \$100.00

Individuals - \$20.00

Further discussion suggested that for 2018, we review the per capita rates.

These membership fees need to be presented at the Annual General Meeting.

## **6. Correspondence**

- Any correspondence has been about the Quill Lakes MOU.

## **7. Quill Lakes MOU**

- The board discussed the proposed relationship with the Quill Lakes Watershed Association and going forward on dealing with the flooding associated with the lakes and possible solutions.

- It was felt that within the MOU, we needed to work towards more definition of terms and build science-based decision making in the solution approved and influence the decision made in that direction.

## **8. AGM Agenda**

- The agenda will include membership fees, chairperson's report, SAW report, general manager's report, financial report and resolutions.

- The meeting will be at the Lumsden River Park Centre, opening at 6:30 pm to 8 pm.

- Speaker will be Dale Miller to speak on the Qu'Appelle Conveyance after the meeting.

KerryHolderness and Ian McNichol arrived at 12:10 pm.

Meeting was adjourned for lunch at 12:20 pm.

Paige Englot attended the lunch.

Meeting was resumed at 12:45 pm.

Board meeting prior to AGM will be at 1:30 pm on March 30<sup>th</sup>, eat at 5:00 pm.

## **9. Quill Lakes MOU**

Discussion on the Quill Lakes project and the prospective wording of the MOU and the letter was worked upon by the two associations. Fred will work up a new draft of the MOU and letter based on the discussions for an email vote.

Kerry Holderness and Ian McNichol left the meeting.

## 10. Reports

### a) Chair & Executive Committee

The chair has managed the performance review of the General Manager and coordinated and attended meetings with the Quill Lakes Watershed Association. With the watershed workshops at SUMA, there were questions of the Minister about some watershed issues and the Quill Lakes.

### b) General Manager/AEGP/ALUS (Colleen Fennig) (attached)

Under Love Your Lake, there was some thought to put together some general lake reports around shoreline conditions so as to make it available and useful for WSA or other agencies.

Barry Gunther left the meeting.

**Motion (Merifield/ ) (M/S/D)** that WUQWATR change its year end to reflect the Government and the funders' year end of March 31<sup>st</sup>. The current year end is December 31, 2017 and the new year will be for 3 months ending March 31, 2018. **There was no seconder for the motion.**

**Motion (Halliday/Merifield) (M/S/C)** that the Board approve the AEGP work plan.

**Motion (Sloan/Halyk) (M/S/C)** that the Board approve WUQWATR provide administrative support for the potential new weed management area in the Humboldt area. This includes hiring and supervising a summer student.

**Motion (Elliott/Sloan) (M/S/C)** that the motion for the possible changing of our mailing address to Humboldt be referred to the next meeting and a report on the costs and implications be provided.

On the balance sheet provided by Sandra Bathgate (purple), there was a need to change "Profit of the Year" to "Surplus".

There was a recommendation to invest money in the ALUS Trust Fund while it is not utilized. Geoff and Colleen will investigate and identify the process. They also need to determine whether the interest is to stay in the ALUS Trust Fund account or it is WUQWATR funds.

**Motion (Merifield/Halladay) (M/S/C)** that the Board approves the Balance Sheet as of January 31, 2017 and the Income and Expenses Financial Sheet as of December 31, 2016.

**Motion (Merifield/Bathgate) (M/S/C)** that the Board approve the Bank Transactions as of December 2016.

c) SAW Report (David Sloan)

- The SAW AGM is on April 6<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 am. The deadline for resolutions was March 5<sup>th</sup> and the nominations for the Watershed Award have closed.
- SAW Voting Delegates (2)

**Motion (Halladay/Butz) (M/S/C)** that David Sloan and Rod Halyk are the voting delegates for WUQWATR at the SAW AGM.

- SAW Board Appointee

**Motion (Bathgate/Halladay) (M/S/C)** that David Sloan be the WUQWATR Board appointee.

- SAW Member at Large Appointee

**Motion (Sloan/Butz) (M/S/C)** that Fred Clipsham be the WUQWATR Member at Large nominee.

**Motion (Petersen/Halyk) (M/S/C)** that the verbal reports be accepted.

d) Budget 2017

- discussions of the proposed budget have the following suggestions:
  - that any draft budget should have the watermark of "Draft".
  - that the amount of approximately \$10,000 from the potential surplus from 2016 be put into the Operating Reserve Fund and the remaining surplus be recorded as surplus.

## **11. Reports from Watersheds**

- Wascana

- There will be 4 gas powered generation stations being built, 1 at Moose Jaw, 1 at Pense, 1 near west Regina and 1 near east Regina.

- Lanigan Manitou

- Sherwin Petersen put a question of the role of board members re: their communications to other groups, other municipalities, both rural and urban. There was a variety of responses from board members.

- Upper Qu'Appelle

- At this point, Claudette Halladay resigned as rural municipality representative to the board of WUQWATR.

## **12. Adjournment**

Meeting was adjourned at 4:14 pm.