

Record of Proceedings - Meeting Minutes Eastern Georgian Bay Stewardship Council

Meeting Date: Wed. Oct. 27, 2010

Recorded by: E. McIntyre

Meeting Location: OMNR Parry Sound Dist. Boardroom

Status: Approved – at Dec. 1/ 10 meeting

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Full Member	Pres.	Regrets	Abs.	Full Member	Pres.	Regrets	Abs.
John Bell			x	Bill McRobb	x		
Brian Emery	x			Eric McIntyre	x		
Dave Bulger		x		Doug Wright	x		
Terry Crawford, Pres.	x			Mike Palmer	x		
Ray Hachigian	x			Karl Schiefer		x	
Greg Mason		x		Gerry Haarmeyer		x	
John Crawford			x	Glenda Clayton	x		

Guest: Martha Martens (GBBR)

Handouts provided to Council members included:

- Copy of latest e-mail string between Eric and Ivan Filion (Oct. 15 – 17) Re Economic/Fisheries Revitalization Initiative
- Financial report to Sept. 30/10

1.0 Guest Introductions & Welcome – Martha Martens (GBBR)

“Lessons In A Backpack” – GBBR initiative intended to actively engage grade-school students and their teachers with nature in their school yards or areas close by.

- Principles: Uses an outdoor classroom; makes resources (including curriculum lessons) available to teachers; and provides support to teachers and the program through an Environmental Educator facilitator and volunteers
- In 2010 – reached 585 students in local schools; 145 students participated in Water Festival held at Killbear Park
- Water Festival is directed specifically at Grade 5 students; takes place the end of May at Killbear Park; high school volunteers deliver the lessons; program has a water related focus
- GBBR gratefully acknowledges the support provided by the EGBSC for these programs.

2.0 Review of Sept. 27/10 Minutes / Action Items:

2.1 Re Osprey Nest Project Proposal – (Item 3.2; Sept. 27/10)

Action: Eric to confirm poles proposed for osprey nests at Oak Bay are indeed located on

golf course property. Done – no impediments to proceeding with project. We have received construction plans from the GB Osprey Society.

- 2.2 Re item 3.3; Sept. 27/10
Action: Eric to advise MNR of Council's concern relating to the possible amalgamation of the EGBSC and Muskoka-Parry Sound Stewardship Council. (Done. MNR indicated the 'thought crossed their mind', but was dismissed as unworkable.)
- 2.3 Proposed Hydro power development – Wanipitei River (Item 5.1; Sept 27/10
Action: Eric to inquire if UGLMU aware of this project and do they have fisheries concerns. (Done. No response from UGLMU)
Action: Eric to ask Xeneca for further information; copy Dan Duggan at MNR (Done; letter sent Oct. 14)
- 2.4 Re FOCA request for support funding to reprint "Healthy Shorelines" brochure (Item 5.4; Sept. 27/10):
Action: Eric to get further FOCA information for Council's consideration. Done – request sent to FOCA
Discussion: Council declines making a contribution to the re-print of this brochure on the basis that similar brochures are readily available at various municipal and provincial government offices. We will provide a link on our website to the FOCA site where this brochure is available as a PDF.
- 2.5 Re Financial Report (Item 4.0; Sept. 27.10)
Action: Eric to contact Ont. Conservation Officers' Association to see if they would like to make a donation towards our fish sticker project. Done – respectfully declined.
- 2.6 Re: Walleye Stocking (Item 5.10 – Sept. 27/10)
Resolution: Be it resolved, the EGBSC petitions the UGLMU to apply to the Provincial Fish Culture System to get Moon River walleye into the system in 2011 for rehabilitative walleye stocking purposes. Motion by Greg; seconded by Bill; carried.
Action: Eric to advise UGLMU of motion. (Done – Letter sent Oct. 13; no response to date)
- 2.7 Re: Moon River Metis Council (Item 5.11a; Sept. 27/10)
Moon River Metis Council (Louise Goulding) added to Associate Member list; also added to list of potential partners/stakeholders in our Terms of Reference. (Note: Ms. Goulding expressed appreciation to our Council in this regard.)

Motion by Ray to accept the minutes of Sept. 29, 2010; second by Mike; carried.

3.0 Updates:

3.1 Economic / Fisheries Revitalization Initiative

- Review of latest communication from Ivan (see handouts)

3.2 First Nation Relation Training

- Training scheduled for Nov. 4; Huronia Museum in Midland
- EGBSC members who have indicated they will attend: Eric, Ray, Karl, Greg,

Glenda and John.

Additional note: Eric will be representing Council at the Nov. 1 'Voices About Water' symposium at the French River Visitor Centre. Will be delivering a short presentation on who/what the EGBSC is.

- 3.3 **Fall Central Ont. Stewardship Team Meeting** – Oct. 7-8; Kempenfelt Centre (Barrie)
- Eric unable to attend due to illness; no report.

- 3.4 **Preliminary site inspection of Musquash River** conducted by Eric and Karl on Sept. 7.
- Power point presentation – not available due to computer problems; will present at a future meeting.

- 3.5 **Big Sound Lake Trout Egg Collection for thiamine analysis:**
- 5-day project now complete
 - Caught 61 LT at Davy Island; 23 at Horse Island; egg samples collected from 13 gravid females
 - General observations: lake trout seem to be smaller in size; lamprey wounding down

4.0 Financial Report

- Financial statement presented to Council for review. Motion to accept by Mike; seconded by Ray; carried.

5.0 Business Arising / New Business

5.1 Georgian Bay Charter:

- Common vision document proposed for GB-5 members to endorse
- Copies of 2 drafts sent to Council (e-mail McIntyre to Council; Oct. 19); one was drafted by Eric on behalf of EGBSC.
- Discussions between members on-going
- Council will await draft document for approval and proceed accordingly

5.2 Crown Land Stewardship

- Notice from GBLT - attention is required on Crown Lands at Bayfield, Massassauga Park and French River Park.
- E-mail McIntyre to Cooper (GBLT) – (Oct. 19) outlines EGBSC's potential involvement:
 - Help with finding volunteers
 - Provide Best Camping Signs (already made up)
 - Instruct volunteers in behind-the-scenes clean-up practices
 - Provide required funding
 - Provide latrines (if requested and appropriate)
 - Document activities in annual project report

5.3 Moon / Muskoka River – Bala Workshop

- Contact has been made with the Muskoka Watershed Council, Muskoka Lake Association, PS Water Control Staff and UGLMU to seek participation and partnership in the workshop
- Other's to contact: Moon River Property Owners Assn.

5.4 Walk on Items

5.4.1 Action: Eric to request copy of walleye index-netting report re stock status in NE Georgian Bay

5.4.2 Action: Eric to invite Dan Duggan, PS Area Supervisor to next meeting for 'meet-and-greet.'

5.4.3 Action: Eric to submit Env. Canada Species-At-Risk application to fund production of signage at Moon River, French River and Port Severn re Lake Sturgeon Status / public awareness

6.0 In camera session

7.0 Date for Next Meeting: Wednesday, December 1, 2010