

WISTIWASING WATERSHED MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Wednesday, May 27th, 2015 – 7:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by Chairman David Hodgins with members Councillor Chris Jull, Paul Girard, John Symons, David Dockendorff, Carsten Jorgensen, and Recording Secretary Jessica Scarfone. Dianne Othmer was absent with regrets.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Resolution 2015-05 (WWMC)

Paul Girard – Chris Jull: Be it resolved that the Agenda for the May 27th, 2015 meeting of the Wistiwasung Watershed Management Committee be adopted as presented.

‘Carried’

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Resolution 2015-02 (WWMC)

Chris Jull – Paul Girard: Be it resolved that the Minutes from the April 15th, 2015 meeting of the Wistiwasung Watershed Management, Committee be adopted as printed and circulated.

‘Carried’

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- a) Update form Friends of Wasi Lake
Paul Girard reported on the upcoming events of the Wasi Lake Property Owners Association. Their annual Fishing Durby will be on July 12th, 2015, and there will be prizes to win and will be selling hotdogs and drinks. The *Restore Your Shore* program from the North Bay-Mattawa Conservation Authority will be beginning their planting along Graham Creek on May 28, 2015, at 9:30 a.m.. Planting will also be done at the Public Beach along the parking lot and the gate where erosion is evident. The Gate will be moved to the East side of parking lot and better posts will be put in to stop vehicles from driving on the beach. North Bay Mattawa will be submitting their planting drawings to the Township.
- b) Laporte Landing Trails and Road
John Symons spoke to the committee about the condition of the road. There are areas of the road that are very wet and rough. The MNR is not responsible for regular maintenance of the road. It is up to the township to maintain. Chairman David Hodgins will speak to Public Works Supervisor to see what can be done. Bear proof bins will be installed shortly as well as benches for the trails. A site visit will be organized for the committee to do a walk through and see the progress of the Laporte Trails.
- c) Geo Tech Cloth
Chairman David Hodgins looked into the price of Geo Tech Cloth. It was \$300 to 500 per roll depending on the material type and thickness. The committee would like to wait and see if it is necessary before looking further into it.
- d) High Water Level of Wasi River
Paul Girard has taken a look at the Wasi outflow and the water level is not high. There is no evidence of a beaver dam or any other obstructions. There is not much that can be

done at this time. The committee discussed that in the future there may be a need to discuss the water level and consider making a plan to deal with this rising issue.

OPEN FORUM

The Committee brought up some of the problems with the concrete boat launch at Laporte's Landing. The ramp is beginning to separate and at this time is unusable because of the drop off at the end of the ramp. The committee discussed that if the blocks could be moved together it would improve the ramp. Chairman David Hodgins will speak with Public Works to see if this is something that the backhoe can do. Would also like Public Works to use the backhoe to smooth out the fire pit, which was behind the outhouse, so that it is no longer visible.

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 2015-07 (WWMC)

David Dockendorff – John Symons: Be it resolved that this meeting of the Wistiwasing Watershed Management Committee now be adjourned and that this Committee meets again at the call of the chair.

'Carried'

Chairman, David Hodgins

Recording Secretary, Jessica Scarfone