



## Minutes

Friday, April 17, 2009

1:00 p.m.

Council Chambers – District Municipality of Muskoka  
70 Pine Street, Bracebridge

---

### Present:

Ian Turnbull (Chair)	Patricia Arney	Ken Black
Ben Boivin	Margaret Casey	Deb Cumming
Tonia Di Sabatino	Lou Guerriero	Anne Lindsay
Anna Mallin	Mary McCulley	Jan McDonnell
Don McVittie	Rob Milligan	Al Shaw
Alicia Tyson	Scott Young	

### Regrets:

Dan Brooks	Fran Coleman	Karen Flood
Diane Griffin	Michael Lawley	Eleanor Lewis
Don MacKay	Steve Munro	Ross Raymond
Nathan Richer	Peter Seybold	Sally Smith
Brian Sturgeon	Brian Tapley	Jim Walden
Rick Wright		

### Staff:

Judi Brouse	Rebecca Willison	Marg French
-------------	------------------	-------------

### Guests:

Samantha Hastings	Rebecca Pollack	Greg Mason
-------------------	-----------------	------------

### Welcome

Ian Turnbull called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

### Confirmation of Minutes

**MOTION** by Rob Milligan, seconded by Patricia Arney

THAT the minutes of the Muskoka Watershed Council meeting dated March 20, 2009 be approved.

**CARRIED**

### Activity Report

**MOTION** by Rob Milligan, seconded by Patricia Arney

THAT the Activity Report for April 2009 be approved.

**CARRIED**

### **Council Biographies**

Muskoka Watershed Council members Alicia Tyson, Scott Young and Don McVittie provided brief verbal autobiographies for the Council.

### **Presentation**

[Georgian Bay Biosphere Reserve](#) – Rebecca Pollack, *Communications Manager for Georgian Bay Biosphere Inc.*

### **Report Card Working Session**

[Indicators, Timelines and MWC Member Responsibilities](#) – Judi Brouse, *Director of Watershed Programs*

- Discussion about climate change – it was decided that it should remain in the report card, but presented in a different way.
- Timeframe - Forests – August 28, 2009  
Wetlands – Sept 18, 2009  
Water – October 16, 2009  
Stewardship Activity – November 27, 2009
- Report Card Cycle - Year 1 (2010) Report Card  
Year 2 (2011) Report Card Outreach  
Year 3 (2012) Georgian Bay Report Card  
Year 4 (2013) Stewardship Report  
Year 1 (2014) Report Card

### **Updates & New Business**

- MWC Member Survey Results – Memo distributed with agenda. Ian Turnbull will carry the project forward.
- Green Energy Act – Policy & Research Committee is developing comments based on the response released by [AMO](#).
- 2009 Environmental Lecture Series – the first lecture will occur in June and be a panel discussion on ecotourism and the G8.

### **Correspondence**

- EBR Posting - [Discussion Paper: Healthy Great Lakes, Strong Ontario. Talking with Ontarians about Protecting, Restoring, Using and Enjoying the Great Lakes.](#)
- Resignation notices from Steve Inniss and Juliette Litschko.

### **Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Muskoka Watershed Council is scheduled for Friday **May 15, 2009** at **1:00 p.m.** in the **Council Chambers** at the District's Administration Building.

### **Adjournment**

Ian Turnbull adjourned the meeting at 2:50 p.m.