Minutes

Friday, May 21, 2010
1:00 p.m.

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

Present:
Rob Milligan
Margaret Casey
Lou Guerriero
Mary McCulley
Peter Seybold
Ian Turnbull
Patricia Arney
Louise Cragg
Isobel Heathcote
Jan McDonnell
Paul Stueck
Alicia Tyson

Ben Boivin
Patsy Cross
Anna Mallin
Mary Robertson Lacroix
Brian Sturgeon
Scott Young

Regrets:
Ken Black
Tonia Di Sabatino
Caroline Konarzewski
Greg Mierle
Peter Sale
Debbie Vernon
Dan Brooks
Diane Griffin
Don MacKay
Steve Munro
Al Shaw
Jim Walden

Fran Coleman
Neil Hutchinson
Don McVittie
Ken Riley
Brian Tapley
Paul Wiancko

Staff:
Judi Brouse
Rebecca Willison

Guests:
Melissa Halford
Christie Davies
Rob Willson

Welcome
Rob Milligan called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m. by welcoming members and guests. Anna Mallin and Peter Seybold provided brief autobiographies for the Council.

Confirmation of Minutes
MOTION by Ian Turnbull, seconded by Patricia
THAT the minutes of the Muskoka Watershed Council meeting dated April 23, 2010 be approved.

CARRIED

Activity Report
MOTION by Ian Turnbull, seconded by Anna Mallin
THAT the Activity Report for May 2010 be approved.

CARRIED
2010 Muskoka Watershed Report Card

The presentation developed for the Report Card release at District Council on May 25th was reviewed. Suggestions were made for improvement and will be incorporated. MWC members were asked to think about how the Report Card can be used by other organizations.

Presentation

Turtles and Snakes At Risk in Muskoka: The Season of Reptile Roadkill Begins Again – Rob Willson, Senior Terrestrial Ecologist, RiverStone Environmental Solutions Inc.

Communications

The Communications Committee is looking for volunteers to write articles for MWC’s weekly column in the Muskoka Sun between August and October. Interested people should contact Alicia Tyson (alicia.tyson@smdhu.org).

Updates & New Business

- None

Correspondence & Articles

- Letter from the Ministry of the Environment re: Adapting to Climate Change in Muskoka
- Notice from McCormick Rankin Corporation re: Public Information Centre for Highway 60 Improvements
- Letter to Ministry of Natural Resources re: Funding of Stewardship Programs
- Letter to Ministry of Natural Resources re: Completion of the EFRI
- Ontario Biodiversity Council - 2010 Reports
- Article re: Bulk Water Exports

Next Meeting

Friday, June 18, 2010 at 1:00 pm in the Council Chambers at The District Municipality of Muskoka administration building.

Adjournment

Rob Milligan adjourned the meeting at 2:40 p.m.