



MEETING OF THE NCHCA BOARD

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5 Edgewater St, Kanata, ON K2L 1V7

Wednesday, November 13, 2019 (3:00pm-5:00pm)

APPROVED MINUTES

Board Members & Association Representatives		
Darrin Alberty	John DeKroon	Dale Downey (by teleconference)
Edson Donnelly (CEO)	Jim Flegg	Stephen Goodman, President
Brad Gooderham	Chris Lesaux	Dave McClure
Steve McEachen	Joel McIntyre	Nick Regalbuto
Leon Switzer	Stephen Turner	Bob Watson
Regrets		
Brian Lane	Dave Meikle	Jeff Mulcock (OSWCA)
Paul Lemire		
Guests		
Neil Falls		
Staff		
Kathryn Sutherland	Kerri Albright	

	Item
1	<p>Call to order and approval of agenda <i>It was moved by D. McClure, seconded by J. McIntyre that the agenda be approved, and the President be authorized to modify the order of discussion. Carried</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Added to the Agenda: Late locates discussion at Ontario Common Ground Alliance Meeting
2	<p>Collusion Clause The Board reaffirmed its commitment to adhere to the Collusion Clause.</p>
3	<p>Approval of Minutes <i>It was moved by S. Turner, seconded by B. Watson that the Minutes of the October 9, 2019, Board meeting be approved with amendment that E. Donnelly be shown as present at the October 9, 2019 meeting.</i></p>

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Executive Reports

President's Report

- Thanks to all that attended the Fall Dinner Dance

Treasurer's Report

- Our forecast predicts a loss of \$15,000
- Two new corporate sponsors (value of \$20,000)
- Loss of \$4,100 on Sens night and estimated loss of \$1,000 on Fall Dinner Dance

It was moved by D. McClure, seconded by B. Gooderham that the expenses for October 2019 be approved. Carried.

Executive Director's Report

- **2019 Canadian Infrastructure Report Card**

The report indicates that significant attention to Canadian infrastructure will be required in the next 5 to 10 years, continued reinvestment both short and long term is required.

- **Late Locates**

- Ontario One call is now taking complaints. Latelocates.ca has been shut down.
- A document suggesting improvements to the One Call system was shared.
- The Ontario Ground Alliance Meeting did not seem to offer many solutions. Another symposium is coming up to further discuss improving the Ontario One Call System.
- The Ontario One Call Call centre is operating 8am to 4pm, has two staff and they are swamped. This is intended for households not companies, they simply do not have the resources at this time.
- A course for companies to learn how to apply for late locates will be offered.
- A dedicated person from Promark can be hired by companies for faster service
- Are the different levels of government are talking and are they aware of the scope of the problem?
- Can a company hire their own "locater" who can be trained to do locates? The issue is access to information and liability.
- Will the City grant an extension when locates are not done on time? Earlier in the year the City mentioned they would look at it on a case by case basis.

- **Back-up beepers vs whoosh technology**

- November 4, 2019, C. Duclos confirmed the City has changed their mind regarding night work and back up beepers. More information to come.

- **Construction Act**

- The City has invited us to meet re: proposal on Construction Act payment process

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City of Ottawa

Liaison Meeting Notes October 18, 2019

- No spec review this year. Let Kathy or Kerri know of any issues and we will move them

forward to the City.

- The spec review in the past offered NCHCA and the City a time to chat and review top 10 issues and discuss, now we need to get organized and ensure sub-committees meet, discuss and bring forward particular issues.
- “GEO Ottawa” is a good tool for mapping, info etc.

Next Liaison Meeting: November 15, 2019

- Send any agenda items to K. Sutherland.

ISTN-2019-01 Cold Weather Concreting

- 28 days of curing is required before de-icing. As de-icing is happening now, suggestion is to document pours for next year.
- The Sidewalk Task Force was to review the sidewalks by flash card pictures after 2 years. With the early snow we are unsure if this will happen.
- City agreed to open the slump 2 months ago, but no announcement has been made to date.
- Cold weather concrete is at the forefront primarily based on one sub-division that went very poorly.

Occupational Health and Safety Management System

- NCHCA will advise the City to remove the WSIB program from the list of acceptable safety management programs as does not require an independent third-party audit.
- With the WSIB Safety Excellence program, companies can get some of the total rebate back.
- Roll out is planned for January 2020 and will be included in the education series.

6 Board Business

CBC Interview

- The article/ report was fairly simple but overall communicated that we have several large projects happening in Ottawa and work many nights and weekends resulting in overtime fees contributing to Ottawa’s construction number increase

Carleton Bursary Update

- NCHCA has given \$70,000 to Carleton as a Sewer and Watermain bursary at some point, each year the interest on this amount is given in a bursary.
- Steve thought it was more like a \$50,000 donation, perhaps someone matched the amount? possibly OCA? OSCWA?

ACTION: K. Sutherland to follow up on endowment funds.

Draft City of Ottawa Budget

- Budget shows an increase in the transportation budget, water and sewer budget is down. Slight decrease overall
- The Board input was asked for input on whether NCHCA should put pressure on the city for more budget money, would this be effective? Should we meet with the councillors? Is there something we can do before next years budget? The feeling was mixed, some felt this could be effective and others felt it would have little effect.

7	<p>Committee Reports</p> <p>Nominating – No report</p> <p>Bursary – No report</p> <p>Education</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planning team met on October 18 and set out the plan for a January 28, 2020 one day event however, this date still needs to be confirmed by the City • Speakers confirmed to date are Steve Willis, Giovanni Cautillo, and Bryan Hocking <p>Health & Safety – No report</p> <p>Specifications</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No Spec review this year <p>Excess Soil – No report</p> <p>Anti-theft</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Constable Kathy Brown put S. Turner in contact with 2 sergeants in the Commercial Break and Enter Group. Will meet to review best practices. <p>VPM – No report</p> <p>Construction Act</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Timing is unclear, we originally thought it applied on any contract after Oct. 1, 2019 but that may not be the case. • City / owner has 14 days to disagree with quantities, taking all dispute days into account the owner would have about 24 days or more to confirm the invoice. We need to reduce this to 5 days in order to get paid in a timely fashion.
8	<p>Industry Linkages</p> <p>Ottawa Construction Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working to organize their symposium including a “meet the teachers and parents” night to help them understand what working in the construction industry is like. • Toromont and Tomlinson will provide a simulator in the recruitment hall. • Taggart is also organizing a simulator. • NCHCA will not participate in the recruitment hall booth, will develop recruitment materials to use at our booth in the main hall. <p>Consulting Engineers Ontario - Nothing to report, the CEO liaison meeting is next Friday.</p> <p>Ontario Sewer and Watermain Construction Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Jeff is the incoming president. The OSWCA AGM is in February at Blue Mountain Resort in Collingwood. NCHCA is sponsoring the axe throwing competition. <p>Ontario Road Builders Association & Ontario Asphalt Pavement Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • November 21, 2019 webinar on the Construction Act
	<p>Event Debrief</p> <p>Sens Night</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 113 people came out, great event, small loss. Were low on sponsorship. • Suggested that we have a 50/50 draw to help cover costs <p>Fall Dinner Dance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Great venue, good attendance (246), meal was average, bar was slow <p>ACTION – Kerri to obtain prices and available dates for next year</p>
9	<p>Proposed 2020 Events - Listed in attached</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • President’s Breakfast would be held in a comfortable location (Golf Club perhaps the Hunt Club) and setting and would include a keynote speaker. It was suggested we have one person asking questions in a fireside chat style. • Family Skate – February 15 date and costs are to be confirmed.
10	Roundtable – No comments
11	<p>Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • December 9, 2019 Board Dinner, Giovanni’s Restaurant • December 11, 2019, Aecon (Carp Rd. Office) – Board Meeting
12	<p>Meeting effectiveness</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) What went well? b) This meeting would have been better if ...
13	Closing