



NVCA Board Meeting Highlights April 27, 2018

Next Board Meeting & Annual General Meeting: June 22, 2018
at Tiffin Centre for Conservation, Utopia

For the full meeting agenda including documents and reports, visit nvca.on.ca/about/boardofdirectors

NVCA receives clean audit for 2017

At the meeting, the board received the 2017 NVCA audited financial statements as presented by KPMG LLP Chartered Accountants. The financial statements are available online at nvca.on.ca/about/PlansFinancials.

Support for improvements to the Swaley Drain

The board directed staff to continue to work with Springwater Township on improvements to the Swaley Drain in the Minesing Wetlands (under the *Drainage Act*).

Drinking Water Source Protection Plan Implementation

The board also met as the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection Authority (NVSPA). The NVSPA is one of three source protection authorities for the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region, and is authorized to act under Ontario's *Clean Water Act*.

Source water is untreated water from streams, lakes, rivers or underground aquifers that people use for drinking water supply.

Source water protection looks to stop contaminants from getting into sources of drinking water — lakes, rivers and underground aquifers — and preventing overuse of these water resources.

At the meeting, the NVSPA received a letter from Minister of the Environment and Climate

Change Chris Ballard approving an amendment to the South Georgian Bay-Lake Simcoe Source Protection Plan to include an updated and new wellhead protection area in Shelburne. The Minister also approved the [recent assessment report for the Nottawasaga Valley source protection area](#).

Lynn Dollin, chair of the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee, provided an update on the work of that committee. Among her updates, Chair Dollin highlighted the leadership being demonstrated by the agricultural representatives on the committee, who have now shared their experiences with audiences in Quebec and New Hampshire.

Bill Thompson, manager of integrated watershed management for the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, presented the regional Source Water Implementation Annual Report for 2017. Ryan Post, senior hydrogeologist for NVCA, provided highlights of the authority's source water related work in 2017 and the work plan for 2018.

In brief

During the meeting the board also:

- approved a roster of consultants to provide ecological review support to NVCA.
- approved Angela Mills, NVCA's project analyst-hydrologic function, as a risk management inspector as required under Section 48 of the *Clean Water Act*.



- recognized Cllr. Fred Nix, Town of Mono, with a special award celebrating his 28-year commitment to NVCA. Cllr. Nix (seen here with NVCA Chair Gail Ardiel) was nominated for this award by Mono Town Council.
- welcomed new staff to NVCA: Jonathan Cortese, forestry technician; Andrew Fera, regulations technician; Haleigh Ferguson, administrative assistant; Mark Hartley, senior engineer; Amy Knapp, planner; Julie Panovski, regulations assistant; and Emma Perry, planner.

Future Meetings and Events

Nature Days for Homeschoolers

Friday, May 18, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm
Location TBC

NVCA Annual Tree Sale

Saturday, May 12, 8:00 am - 12:00 pm at the
Tiffin Centre for Conservation

Minesing Wetlands BioBlitz

Saturday, June 2, 7:00 am - 4:00 pm
Minesing Wetlands Conservation Area
Partners: Friends of Minesing Wetlands, Nature Conservancy of Canada (NCC) and Ducks Unlimited Canada

Community Volunteer Tree Plants

- Saturday, May 5, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
New Tecumseth
Partner: South Simcoe Streams Network (SSSN)
- Saturday, May 5, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Bradford West Gwillimbury
Partner: SSSN
- Sunday, May 6, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Innisfil
Partner: SSSN
- Friday, May 11, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Patrick Hodgson Nature Reserve (Grenfel)
Partner: NCC
- Saturday, May 12, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
Adjala-Tosorontio
Partner: SSSN
- Saturday, May 12, 9:00 am - 12:00 pm
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Partner: SSSN
- Saturday, May 12, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm
Patrick Hodgson Nature Reserve (Grenfel)
Partner: NCC
- Tuesday, May 15, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm
Coates Creek, New Lowell
Partner: B&J Contracting
- Wednesday, May 16, 6:00 - 7:30 pm
Minesing Wetlands at Willow Creek Canoe Corral (George Johnston Rd.)
Partner: NCC
- Sunday, May 27, 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Adjala-Tosorontio
Partner: SSSN
- Monday, May 28, 9:30 pm - 12:00 pm
Baker Pond Site, 246366 Hockley Rd, Mono
Partners: Headwater Streams Committee and Town of Mono

Additional dates will be added throughout the season. Groups (schools, community/service groups, workplaces, etc.) needed for specific plants. Please see the NVCA website for details.

For more information on these events, please visit the [NVCA website](http://www.nvca.on.ca).