



MINUTES
Wasaga Beach River Resources Committee
Meeting

Thursday, November 9, 2023, 3:00 p.m.
Council Chambers

Members Present: Jason Ruttan
Richard White
Ed Bieniek
Edward Holley
Jon Wells
Michele Robinson

Members Absent: Cathy Wilde
Dave Morrison

1. CALL TO ORDER

1.1 Land Acknowledgement

2. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

3.1 River Resources Committee Meeting Minutes - July 26, 2023

Resolution No: RRC-2023-08

Moved by: Ed Bieniek

Seconded by: Edward Holley

Resolved that the River Resources Committee minutes of July 26, 2023 be accepted as presented.

Yea (6): Jason Ruttan, Richard White, Ed Bieniek, Edward Holley, Jon Wells, and Michele Robinson

Absent (2): Cathy Wilde, and Dave Morrison

CARRIED (6 to 0)

4. DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

4.1 OPP Update - 2023 Season (Invite Extended)

Constable Eric Snow from the Huronia West OPP was in attendance to provide committee an update on the 2023 Season. The OPP Marine Team had a strong focus on river traffic and speed and aimed to provide a strong presence. The OPP recommended more signage on the river to help with speed control and to ensure it shows in both mph and kmh, along with the penalty/fine amount.

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1 Outreach & Education

Chair Ruttan provided committee with an update on the outreach and education elements being utilized. The Committee wants to ensure the speed and safety issues are up front and center for all to see. These materials will be available for pickup at Town Hall and local marinas.

5.2 Supplemental Signage & Buoys

K. Lalonde provided an update to Committee pertaining to this matter. Eight more wake buoys have been ordered for next season. Additional speed signs will also be stocked for next season. Committee will need to look at proper and consistent messaging for signage. K. Lalonde has increased the 2024 budget for signs and buoys.

6. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

7. NEW BUSINESS

7.1 Municipal Update

K. Lalonde provided committee with a municipal update and addressed questions and comments of committee. Staff want to ensure messaging is consistent with branding guidelines.

7.2 New Safe & Smart Boating Guide

Member D. Morrison was absent but will be bringing an update to committee pertaining to this item. This is a primary element committee will be looking to promote.

8. ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

At the call of the Chair.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Ruttan adjourned the meeting at 4:00 p.m.