



## EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

May 21, 2008

North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit Boardroom  
700 Cassells Street, North Bay

### MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark King, Chair	Laurie Bachelder, Member-at-Large
Bill Beckett, Past Chair	Mike Martel, Member-at-Large
Walter Reich, Member-at-Large	Vic Trahan, Member-at-Large

### REGRETS:

Susan Christian, Secretary	Arne Schmidt, Member-at-Large
Ken Turner, Treasurer	David Thompson, Member-at-Large
Sharon Kitlar, Member-at-Large	

### ALSO PRESENT:

Jennifer McCourt, Program Manager	Julia Hogan, Marketing Assistant
Keith Harriman	

#### 1. Welcome

Mark King chaired the meeting and thanked everyone for coming.

#### 2. Adoption of minutes of March 19, 2008

*Resolution No. 01-05-21-08 Beckett/Reich*

“That the minutes of the March 19, 2008 Executive Committee Meeting be accepted as written.”

#### 3. Correspondence

Nine total correspondences were received – summary of seven attached

Regarding the renewal of Commercial and General Liability Insurance, Intercity Insurance can only provide Discovery Routes with \$1 million liability insurance and not the required \$2 million. Discovery Routes applied to Oasis Insurance out of Saskatchewan for coverage.

Keith Harriman was appointed to represent Discovery Routes on the City of North Bay’s Sustainable Community Committee.

*Resolution No. 02-05-21-08 Martel/Trahan*

“That Discovery Routes appoints Keith Harriman to represent Discovery Routes on the City of North Bay’s Sustainable Community Committee.”

#### 4. Trans Canada Trail Progress Report

The Trans Canada Trail from Pinecreek Road has been re-routed slightly due to wet and muddy conditions. The water crossings along the trail are almost complete. It was suggested that the MNR be contacted regarding the trapping of beavers since a lot of the trail is threatened by

beaver activity. A maintenance agreement will also need to be established with the Municipality of Callander. Once the trail is complete, Discovery Routes will host a grand opening event. A committee will be formed to help with the event preparation. The Executive has appointed Arne Schmidt to head the event planning.

*Resolution No. 03-05-21-08 Beckett/Reich*

“That Arne Schmidt be appointed to head the planning committee for the Trans Canada Trail grand opening event.”

#### **5. Near North Trail Association – trail through Chisholm and Ballantyne Twp**

The Township of Chisholm will be holding a public meeting on June 23, 2008 to discuss trails within the township. The meeting was a result of the Near North Trail Association’s request for permission to cross two unopened road allowances within Chisholm so that the ‘D-Trail’ could access the abandoned rail line. The trail has received controversy in the township.

A request was also received by the Township to consider working with Powassan to establish a designated ATV trail. Although the two projects are separate, a great deal of misinformation seems to be circulating regarding trails in Chisholm. Mark King will represent Discovery Routes at the public meeting.

#### **6. Staffing**

Discovery Routes has received approval under the Northern Ontario Heritage Fund Corporation’s internship program to hire an intern for one year.

#### **7. Discovery Routes Trail Map**

The new regional trail map is in the final stages. The Executive Committee reviewed a proof of the new map that will be printed by the end of June. Once the map is complete, Discovery Routes will send out a news release announcing the availability.

#### **8. Financial Report**

An Income Statement and Balance Sheet covering the period from the last Executive Committee meeting until May 21, 2008 are attached.

The following resolution was carried:

*Resolution No. 04-05-21-08 Beckett/Bachelor*

“That the financial report be approved as presented.”

#### **9. Coordinating Council Meeting**

The Coordinating Council meeting has been changed from June 11, 2008 to June 12, 2008 at 5:00 pm. Discovery Routes will be asking participants to contribute \$5.00 to help pay for the pizza dinner that will be provided.

#### **10. New Business**

The 2010 Vancouver Olympics Committee has been appointed to establish a cross-Canada route to carry the torch. It was suggested that Discovery Routes register to have the torch carried through the region.

#### **11. Adjournment**

*Resolution 05-05-21-08 Martel/Reich*

“That the meeting be adjourned.”