

Full Authority
20 June 2024
Agenda Item: 9

Policy Manual Update

Background

FA Motion G 47/24
Moved by: Colin McLellan
Seconded by: John O'Donnell

That the CVCA Board adopt the necessary changes to the CVCA Regulations and Planning Policy Manual in order to ensure compliance with Ontario Regulation 41/24 and that any further revisions or changes be brought forward at the next regularly scheduled CVCA Board meeting.
Carried.

Please reference 22 February 2024 Agenda item #9 to review the list of key changes to the Policy Manual.

Please also reference my notes which were circulated by Amanda Donald to the CVCA Board members on the 23 May 2023 regarding changes to the CVCA's Watershed Planning and Regulations Policy Manual.

Policy Manual Revisions

Policy revision of an extensive document can be challenging, especially when the reviewer does not use it on a daily basis. It is also compounded by the fact the policies contained in the current Manual are often intertwined and need to be read in conjunction with other policies throughout the document.

To complicate matters further, the updates to the current Policy Manual actually resulted in a complete teardown and rebuild of the Policy Manual. The driver of this was to make the document more user friendly for primarily the public. In addition, once we started this process, the clarity would also assist staff with their day to day work and of course for the Members during the hearing process.

Since the Board has now had an opportunity to digest the current Policy Manual and compare it to the revised Policy Manual, any issues and concerns brought forward by the Board for staff will be a result of a wholesome discussion and agreed upon by consensus at the Board meeting.

Staff Recommendation

Any major or minor changes to the revised Policy Manual will be completed by staff and then brought back to the Board in September unless otherwise directed by the Board at this meeting.

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