

# Grand River Conservation Authority

**Report number:** GM-10-22-84

**Date:** October 28, 2022

**To:** Members of the Grand River Conservation Authority

**Subject:** Financial Summary for the Period Ending September 30, 2022

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## Recommendation:

THAT the Financial Summary for the period ending September 30, 2022 be approved.

## Summary:

The Financial Summary includes the 2022 *actual* year-to-date income and expenditures. The budget approved at the February 25, 2022 General Meeting is included in the *Budget* column. The *Current Forecast* column indicates an estimate of income and expenditures for the whole year. At this time a net surplus of \$215,000 at year-end is anticipated.

## Report:

- A. Government Grants decreased by \$210,000
  - Provincial funding decreased by \$250,000 due to timing of expected expenditures related to Water and Erosion Control Infrastructure (WECI)
  - Conservation Services Federal funding allocation increased by \$40,000 for a special project funded by Environment and Climate Change Canada's Conserving Nature program. The project is called Nature Smart Climate Solutions (NSCSF).
- B. Self-Generated Revenue increased by \$650,000
  - Resource Planning revenue increased by \$130,000 due to increased volume of plan review and solicitor enquiries and a decrease of \$25,000 in permit revenue.
  - Conservation Lands Timber revenue increased by \$45,000.
  - Conservation Area revenue increased by \$500,000 due to revised projection of annual fee revenue.
- C. Capital Expenditures decreased by \$500,000
  - WEIC project expenditures decreased by \$500,000 due to timing of expected work completion.
- D. Special Project Expenditures increased by \$40,000
  - Conservation Services special project expenditure increase of \$40,000 for the Nature Smart Climate Solutions (NSCSF).
- E. Net funding to Reserves increased by \$795,000
  - Transfer to Water Control Structures Reserve increased by \$250,000 due to timing of spending on WEIC projects. These funds will be utilized for project completion before March 31, 2023.
  - Transfer to the Forestry reserve increased by \$45,000 related to revenue from timber sales.
  - Transfer to Conservation Area reserve increased by \$500,000 as a result of the increase in forecast revenue.

### Forestry

Costs related to the wind storms that occurred on May 21, 2022 and August 3, 2022 are not yet finalized. Funding options include the use of reserves and/or insurance proceeds (eligibility to be determined). Staff will continue to monitor these costs and provide a subsequent forecast adjustment.

### Capital Spending

For a number of program areas (Motor Pool, Head Office, Conservation Areas) there is uncertainty as to whether budgeted capital expenses will be realized by December 31, 2022. Uncertainty is driven by supply chain issues and variability related to timing of expected work completion. Forecast adjustments will be considered for the November and December board reports as increased certainty can be ascertained.

The Financial Summary is attached.

### **Financial Implications:**

The management committee and appropriate supervisory staff receive monthly financial reports and advise the finance department of applicable forecast adjustments.

### **Other Department Considerations:**

Not Applicable

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