# DARTMOUTH LAKES ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

December 5, 2012

PRESENT: Pierre Clement, Chair

Peter Connor, Vice Chair

Christina Hoehne Johanna Campbell Mark McLean

REGRETS: Mark Trevorrow

STAFF: Richard MacLellan, Manager, Energy and Environment

Cameron Deacoff, Environmental Performance Officer

Julie Vandervoort, Legislative Support

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 5:16 p.m. in Room 101, Findlay Centre, Dartmouth.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 7, 2012

Mr. Connor requested the second sentence of the second paragraph under item 4.2 be amended to read as follows: "Using the example of the dog park along the shore of Lake Micmac, the Board discussed the possibility of a policy that would create a buffer zone between the shoreline and the off-leash area."

Mr. Connor requested that the first sentence of the fourth paragraph under item 4.2 be amended to read as follows: "The Board noted that municipal leaf collection programs appear adequate and normal leaf litter is not a water quality issue."

MOVED by Ms. Hoehne, seconded by Mr. McLean that the minutes of November 7, 2012 be approved, as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

## 3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- 8.1 Staff 2013 meeting dates
- 8.2 Chair DLAB response to the consolidation of the Watershed Advisory Boards

The Board agreed to approve the agenda, as amended.

#### 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

#### 4.1 Status Sheet Review

A copy of the Status Sheet was before the Board for review.

The Board agreed that item item 7.1.1 Advisory Board Membership can be removed from the Status Sheet.

## 4.2 Dartmouth MPS Water Policy Review

(i) Summary of Policy Recommendation Uptake from Russell Lake Watershed Management Plan by Dartmouth MPS

Mr. Deacoff, Environmental Performance Officer, circulated a document, revised November 5, 2012, titled "Summary of Policy Recommendation Uptake from Russell Lake Watershed Management Plan by Dartmouth MPS".

Board members also entered into a brief discussion of a draft document, sent by e-mail to the Chair by Mr. MacLellan, Manager, Energy and Environment, titled "Policy Review: Russell Lake Water Quality, Dartmouth Lakes Advisory Board, December 2012". As not all Board members received the PDF document or had time to review it, the Board agreed that this item should return as an agenda item for the January meeting. Mr. Deacoff noted that he would re-send the document in Word format so that Board members could insert comments directly.

- 5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS -- NONE
- 6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS
- 6.1 Correspondence -- None
- 6.2 Petitions -- None
- 6.3 Delegations -- None
- 7. REPORTS
- 7.1 BOARD MEMBERS
- 7.1.1 Chairman's Report *Mr. Pierre Clement (Verbal Update)*

The Chair informed the Board that, in response to his letter dated November 14, 2012, he had received a telephone call from Mr. Mark Ring of the Dartmouth Marine Patrol. The Chair added that Mr. Ring had told him that the Patrol Boat carries a police radio and the process to follow for any situation on the lakes was to call 911,not 490-4000 [now 311]. Board members noted that this process may not be clear to residents observing a non-emergency situation and that 490-4000 staff did not appear informed at the time of Ms. Hoehne's call. The Chair agreed that he would request a written response from Mr. Ring. The Chair requested that this item remain on the Status Sheet until the written response is received.

#### 8. ADDED ITEMS

## 8.1 2013 Meeting Dates

The Board agreed to move the January meeting date to January 9, 2013. The Board also agreed to schedule February 6, March 6 and April 3 as DLAB meeting dates in 2013 on the understanding that additional or fewer dates may be required pending the consolidation of the Watershed Advisory Boards.

## 8.2 DLAB response to the consolidation of the Watershed Advisory Boards

The Board entered into a discussion of the Briefing Note, dated November 30, 2012, titled "Future of Watershed Advisory Boards". The Chair stated he has drafted a response to the consolidation and would circulate this draft to Board members for their comments. He added that he would bring a revised response to the January meeting and requested that this matter be an agenda item for January.

## 9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - January 9, 2013

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

Julie Vandervoort Legislative Support