

HALIFAX WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES
September 19, 2007

PRESENT: Ms. Ellinor Williams, Acting Chair
Mr. Walter Regan
Dr. Barry Thomas
Mr. Derrill Hynick
Mr. Ross Evans
Mr. David Ripley
Councillor Mary Wile

REGRETS: Dr. Wayne Stobo
Mr. Nathaniel Smith

STAFF: Mr. Richard Harvey, Planner
Ms. Julia Horncastle, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS, ADDITIONS/DELETIONS

Additions

- 7.1 Leave of Absence Request - Nathaniel Smith
- 7.2 Case 091004 - Redevelopment of former B. C. Silver School Site (Spryfield) Halifax
- 7.3 Glen Arbour Condominium Development - Parcels A, B and C

MOVED by Walter Regan, seconded by Ross Evans, that the Order of Business, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES - July 18, 2007

MOVED by Councillor Wile, seconded by Walter Regan, that the minutes of July 18, 2007 be approved.

Ms. Williams referenced the second set of bullets on page four and noted the sixth bullet should be part of the fifth bullet and the sixth bullet to read erosion and sediment control plan.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES - NONE

5. DEFERRED AND STATUS SHEET ITEMS

5.1 Open Space Guidelines

This item was deferred and Board members were requested to bring forward recommendations to the October meeting.

5.2 Ashburn Golf Course Water Sampling Results

Dr. Thomas advised he had reviewed the report and stated he did not see any major concerns.

5.3 Alton Gas Proposal

This item was deferred to the October meeting.

6. REPORTS

6.1 Case 00976: Open Space Subdivision by Development Agreement - Stage II

Mr. Joseph Driscoll, Planner, presented the report to the Board.

Following discussion the Board put forward the following recommendations;

- C all watercourse buffers be turned over to HRM ownership
- C the buffers be extended to 30 metres
- C water quality testing of the ephemeral streams where they enter the lake one year before and seasonally for three years following construction
- C strong requirements for tree retention
- C storm water management plan be put in place to include sod lined ditches
- C an erosion and sediment control plan be put in place

It was agreed that Mr. Ripley would draft the recommendations.

The Board requested a copy of the final development agreement be provided for information purposes.

6.2 Request for Funds re Watershed Studies - Walter Regan

Mr. Regan expressed concern with the amount of funding provided for watershed studies. The Board agreed the Mr. Regan would draft correspondence for the October meeting requesting increased financial support for watershed studies.

6.3 Parking

This item was deferred to the October meeting with a request that the members bring forward information on alternate locations.

7. ADDED ITEMS

7.1 Request for Leave of Absence - Mr. Nathaniel Smith

MOVED by Walter Regan, seconded by Ross Evans, that Nathaniel Smith be granted a leave of absence to January, 2008. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

7.2 Case 091004 - Redevelopment of the former B. C. Silver School Site (Spryfield) Halifax

The Board discussed the report and noted the following changes:

Recommendation #6 - correct spelling of "should"

Recommendation #8 - Change wording to state "The area shown as open space on the

plan should be designed by a registered landscape architect and planted with native species”

It was agreed that the noted changes would be made and the final report would be forwarded to the Chebucto Community Council and Mr. Harvey would provide a copy to the proponent.

7.3 Glen Arbour Condominium Development - Parcels A, B and C

Ms. Williams advised Dr. Stobo had advised that the development was proceeding and sewage treatment plant will be installed.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for October 17, 2007.

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Julia Horncastle
Legislative Assistant