NORTH WEST TRANSIT ADVISORY COMMITTEE MINUTES

April 11, 2012

PRESENT: Mr. John Merrick, Chair

Mr. Michael Cormier Mr. Stephen J. Scott Mr. Ian MacLaine Mr. Alan Barnhill

REGRETS: Mr. Phil Cox

Councillor Brad Johns

STAFF: Ms. Sarah Pellerine, Legislative Support

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the Acadia Room 1, Sackville Planning Office, 636 Sackville Drive, Lower Sackville.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 11, 2012

A correction was made to the January 11, 2012 minutes to note that Michael Cormier was absent and Mr. Stephen Scott was present.

MOVED by Mr. Scott, seconded by Mr. MacLaine, that the minutes of January 11, 2012, be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

The Chair reviewed correspondence between himself and the Legislative Assistant with regard to NWTAC membership.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS

5.1 Go Time Update

The Committee agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

5.2 Cobequid Metro Transit Terminal Ownership

The Committee agreed to defer this item to the next meeting.

5.3 AVL On-Time Performance

Information containing data on details of service lateness by routes for December 2011 and January 2012 was before the Committee.

The Committee discussed the data presented. The Committee would like a bit more explanation on what each of the columns mean in relation to route runs, as well they would like to have the total runs as to the total hours.

MOVED by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. Barnhill that further explanation of the data be submitted to the Committee. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. MacLaine that NWTCA requests NWCC to invite a Metro Transit representative to the Committee meetings. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5.4 Route 87 Service Update

The Committee reviewed the September 22, 2011 "NWTAC Request for Bus Route Improvements – HPR Corridor" information report to NWCC and the November 24, 2011 "NWTAC Request for Bus Route Improvements – HPR Corridor" briefing note to NWCC.

With respect to item #3 in the September 22nd plan from Mr. Eddie Robar, NWTAC would like to revise their request, to request that Park and Ride facilities be built into existing subdivisions that are continuing to expand.

MOVED by Mr. MacLaine, seconded by Mr. Barnhill, that NWTAC request NWCC put a clause in expansion of current subdivisions to include Park and Ride facilities. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5.5 Route 33 Update

See discussion held under item 5.4.

5.6 Transit Service for Lucasville Road and Area

The Committee discussed the removal of the Lucasville Road transit service and wondered why this was done.

MOVED by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. Scott, that NWTAC requests NWCC inquire with Metro Transit as to why the Lucasville Road and Area transit service was removed from the budget and the rational behind it. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Mr. Cormier, seconded by Mr. MacLaine, that NWTAC request NWCC requests that Metro Transit continue with plans to proceed with the transit service to Lucasville Road and Area. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5.7 Burnside Drive Extension

The Committee discussed the Burnside Drive extension.

MOVED by Mr. Barnhill, seconded by Mr. Scott, that NWTAC requests that NWCC provided the Committee with an update on the Burnside Drive extension. MOTION PUT IN PASSED.

6. **CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS** – None

- 7. **REPORTS** None
- 8. ADDED ITEMS

8.1 Dartmouth Transit Terminal

The Committee discussed the Dartmouth Transit Terminal currently under construction, with regard to security.

MOVED by Mr. Barnhill, seconded by Mr. Scott that NWTAC would like to have an update on the Dartmouth Transit Terminal and what Metro Transit will do with regard to security. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

9. **NEXT MEETING DATE – May 9, 2012**

The next meeting will be held on May 9, 2012 in the Acadia Room 1, 1st Floor Sackville Library 363 Sackville Drive, Lower Sackville.

10. ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE CHAIR

Ms. Sarah Pellerine, Legislative Support, called for nominations for position of Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term.

MOVED by Mr. MacLaine, seconded by Mr. Scott that Mr. Michael Cormier be nominated as Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Mr. Cormier accepted the nomination.

Ms. Pellerine called for any further nominations for the position of Chair. Hearing none, it was MOVED by Mr. MacLaine, seconded by Mr. Scott, that nominations for the position of Chair cease. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Mr. Cormier was appointed Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term.

Ms. Pellerine called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term.

MOVED by Mr. MacLaine, seconded by Mr. Scott, that Mr. John Merrick be nominated as Vice-Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Mr. Merrick accepted the nomination.

Ms. Pellerine called for any further nominations for the position of Vice-Chair. Hearing none, it was MOVED by Mr. MacLaine, seconded by Mr. Scott, that nominations for position of Vice-Chair cease. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

Mr. Merrick was appointed Vice-Chair of the North West Transit Advisory Committee for the 2012 term.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:58 p.m.

Sarah Pellerine Legislative Support