WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL

MINUTES

FEBRUARY 27, 2006

Councillor Steve Adams, Chair Councillor Gary Meade PRESENT:

Councillor Reg Rankin

Mr. Luc Ouellet, Planner STAFF:

Ms. Chris Newson, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 7:03 p.m in the Halifax West High School Cafetorium, 283 Thomas Raddall Drive, Halifax.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - November 28, 2005 and January 16, 2006

Approval of the minutes of November 28, 2005 **deferred** as the minutes were unavailable.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that the minutes of January 16, 2006 be approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

3. <u>APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS</u>

ADDITIONS:	4.1.10	Otter Lake Landfill
	12.1	Status of Terrence Bay Paving - Councillor Rankin
	12.2	Concerns with Snow Removal on February 7, 2006 - Peggy's Cove to Hubbards area Councillor Meade
	12.3	Transit Route 21 Efficiency - Councillor Rankin
	12.4	Hammonds Plains Common Area Rate - Councillor Meade

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the agenda be approved as amended. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - STATUS SHEET ITEMS

4.1 HRM Issues

4.1.1 Regional Council Information Report re: Station Road Sewage Problem

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Meade advised that no update has been received.

4.1.2 West Dover Area, Request for Land Transfer to HRM

To be removed from the status sheet. Councillor Rankin advised that staff are working on this matter.

4.1.3 Petition - Express Bus Services from Exit 5 to Downtown Halifax

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Meade and Rankin advised that they are scheduled to meet with staff on April 4, 2006 on this matter.

4.1.4 Water Service Boundary - St. George's Blvd. Kingswood

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Meade advised no update has been received.

4.1.5 <u>Distinguishing Distinctive Communities in Phone Book (MT&T)</u>

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Adams advised that the company should be ALIANT. Councillor Rankin requested a follow-up letter be sent to Aliant requesting a response.

4.1.6 Protocol for Runners on the St. Margaret's Bay Road

To be removed from the Status Sheet. Councillor Rankin advised the matter has been addressed.

4.1.7 Community Signage in the Western Region

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Rankin advised that no report has been received.

4.1.8 Shiloa Road

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Rankin advised that no update has been received from the Department of Transportation and Public Works.

4.1.9 Metro Transit Route 21 - Lack of Frequency at Peak Times

To be removed from the status sheet. Councillor Rankin advised that an e-mail from Metro Transit Staff indicates that this matter will be included as a line item for consideration in the budget approval process (½ hour frequency during peak hours).

The Community Council agreed to deal with Added Item, 12.3 <u>Transit Route 21 Efficiency</u> at this time.

12. ADDED ITEMS

12.3 Transit Route 21 Efficiency

Councillor Rankin advised he has received numerous calls and correspondence regarding the inefficiencies with this route. Considering that many riders are travelling to the Rehabilitation Centre, the Nova Scotia Community College campus on Leeds Street and other students and workers who depend on this service, the issue must be addressed. He further requested that the Clayton Park area Councillor be included in the process.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that a letter be sent to Mr. Paul McDaniels, General Manager, Metro Transit regarding inefficiencies with the Route 21 Lakeside/Timberlea.

Councillor Rankin offered to meet with Mr. McDaniels and the Clayton Park area Councillor.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

4.1.10 Otter Lake Landfill

To remain on the status sheet. Councillor Adams advised that the issue was before the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee at their January 19, 2006 meeting. At that meeting, Mr. Jim Bauld, Manager, Solid Waste Resources, commented that an inspection of the site was done and a response will be sent to the resident who raised the concerns. Mr. Bauld has indicated that the site conditions are compliant with applicable regulations. He requested that anyfurther concerns be forwarded to the Solid Waste Resource Advisory Committee.

4.2 Provincial Issues

4.2.1 Re-evaluation of Request for Traffic Lights - St. Margaret's Village

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

4.2.2 Illegal Dumping: Look-off on John Brackett Drive

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

4.2.3 Lack of Second Exit in Highland Park

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

The Western Region Community Council requested that a reminder be sent to the appropriate provincial departments for these three outstanding matters. It was further requested that the original documentation be included with the reminder.

4.2.4 Condition of Gravel Roads in Prospect Area

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

4.2.5 <u>Lack of Street Lighting West of Bayers Lake Entrance/Intersection at St.</u> <u>Margaret's Bay Road</u>

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

4.2.6 Chebucto Head Road - Maintenance

To remain on the status sheet. No update received.

- 5. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION NONE
- 6. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION NONE
- 7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS NONE
- 8. PUBLIC HEARINGS
- 8.1 Case 00827: Development Agreement 1440 St. Margaret's Bay Road, Lakeside
- A report dated January 4, 2006 was before Community Council.

Mr. Luc Ouellet, Planner, presented the report regarding the proposal to permit a day care for up to 35 children at 1440 St. Margaret's Bay Road, Lakeside.

Councillor Adams reviewed the rules and procedures for the public hearing. He then called for any speakers for or against the proposal.

There being no speakers for the public hearing, and upon the third and final call for speakers for or against the proposal, it was MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the public hearing be closed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that the Western Region Community Council:

- 1. Approve the development agreement, included as Attachment A of the staff report dated January 4, 2006, to permit a day care for up to 35 children at 1440 St. Margaret's Bay Road, Lakeside.
- 2. Require that the development agreement be signed within 120 days, or any extension thereof granted by Community Council on request of the applicant, from the date of final approval by Community Council and any other bodies as necessary, whichever is later, otherwise this approval will be void and obligations arising hereunder shall be at an end.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 9. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS
- 9.1 Correspondence NONE
- 9.2 Petitions NONE
- 9.3 <u>Delegations</u>- NONE
- 9.3.1 Long Lake Provincial Park Association (LLPPA)
- A copy of the Long Lake Provincial Park Association Park Planning information was circulated to Community Council at this time.

Dr. Martin Willison and Mr. Alain Godbout presented on the Long Lake Provincial Park Association and their goal for a park management plan. Public consultations will begin in Spring 2006.

Councillor Adams offered to assist the LLPPA with distribution of the advertisement for the public sessions. He commented that Councillor Linda Mosher, District 17, may also contribute assistance with distributing the one page announcement.

Dr. Willison and Mr. Godbout responded to Councillor Rankin indicating that they have met with Mr. Peter Bigelow and Mr. John Charles of HRM and will also be presenting their plan to the Provincial Government this spring.

10. <u>REPORTS</u>

10.1 STAFF REPORTS

- 10.1.1 Case 00813: Rezoning of Property at the South East Corner of Majesty
 Court and Hammonds Plains Road.
- A staff report dated February 9, 2006 was before Community Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Western Region Community Council give first reading to the proposed rezoning of the property (PID 411652575) at the south east corner of Majesty Court and Hammonds Plains Road from MU-1 (Mixed Use 1) Zone to C-2 (General Business) Zone as set out in Attachment A and schedule a public hearing for Monday, March 27, 2006. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

10.1.2 <u>Case 00860: Amendment to the Timberlea/Lakeside/Beechville Land Use By-Law</u>

A report dated February 8, 2006 was before Community Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that the Western Region Community Council give first reading to the proposed amendments to the Timberlea/Lakeside/Beechville Land Use By-Law (LUB) as contained in Attachment Ato add personal service shops to the list of permitted uses in the I-1 (Light Industrial) Zone, and to schedule a public hearing for Monday, March 27, 2006. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

- 11. MOTIONS NONE
- 12. ADDED ITEMS
- 12.1 Status of Terrence Bay Road Paving

MOVEDBY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that the Western Region Community Council send a letter to the Honourable Minister of Transportation Angus MacIsaac urging action by the provincial government to have roads paved in Terrence Bay including Lower Prospect and Back Lane.

Councillor Meade suggested a copy of the letter be sent to the MLA.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.2 <u>Concerns with Snow Removal on February 7, 2006 - Peggy's Cove to Hubbards</u> area.

Councillor Meade advised that on February 7, 2006 the side roads in the Peggy's Cove to Hubbards area were not ploughed until 36 hours after the storm. The standard for the area is that side roads would be ploughed within 24 hours after a storm. Councillor Meade commented that he met with the Department of Transportation and Public Works and MLA Judy Streatch and a lack of equipment was cited as the reason for the lack of snow removal.

Councillor Meade advised that beginning on April 1st, some equipment maybe available as HRM will be taking over maintenance of a portion of the Hammonds Plains Road, therefore, equipment designated for that area could be used to plough the rural areas.

Councillor Rankin suggested that the ability to transfer equipment from Hammonds Plains to the rural areas be mentioned to Mr. Bruce Fitzner, Executive Director, Maintenance and Operations, Department of Transportation and Public Works.

Councillor Meade further advised that two of the ploughs did not have the proper blades.

Councillor Rankin requested that the Provincial Department of Transportation and Public Works be contacted regarding the problem with quantity and quality of snow removal equipment for this area.

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Western Region Community Council send a letter to the provincial Department of Transportation and Public Works urging that they provide ample snow removal equipment for the Peggy's Cove to Hubbards area. A copy of this correspondence is to be sent to Mr. Pitner and

MLA Judy Streatch. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

12.3 <u>Transit Route 21 Efficiency</u>

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting. See Item 4.1.9, page 6.

12.4 Hammonds Plains Common Area Rate

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Western Region Community Council approve the disbursement of up to a maximum of \$3,500.00 from the Hammonds Plains Common Area Rate for kitchen renovations, as per the Fire Marshall regulations, to the Hammonds Plains Community Hall. MOTION PUT AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

13. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Wayne Rogers

- He raised ongoing concerns with the Otter Lake Landfill site re: off-gassing. He
 requested a response to his earlier request for information regarding the
 formation of the Otter Lake Landfill Community Monitoring Committee and
 compensation for members on that Committee.
- He inquired if there were plans to move landfill cells that would make Greenhead Road unavailable to the general public to use as an access to the Old Coach Road for recreational activities.

Councillor Rankin requested these concerns be forwarded to the Solid Waste Advisory Committee.

15. NEXT MEETING - March 27, 2006

16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:47 pm.

Chris Newson Legislative Assistant