# WESTERN REGION COMMUNITY COUNCIL MINUTES

November 26, 2007

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Stephen Adams, Chair Councillor Reg Rankin Councillor Gary Meade

STAFF: Mr. Martin Ward, Solicitor Ms. Julia Horncastle, Acting Municipal Clerk Ms. Melody Campbell, Legislative Assistant

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# 1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Thomas Raddall Room of the Keshen Goodman Library, 330 Lacewood Drive, Halifax.

# 2. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 22, 2007</u>

MOVED by Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin, that the minutes of October 22, 2007 be approved as presented. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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

#### Added Items:

12.1 Appointment of the Chair

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

- 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES/STATUS SHEET
- 4. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION NONE
- 5. <u>MOTIONS OF RESCISSION</u> NONE
- 6. <u>CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS</u> NONE
- 7. <u>HEARINGS</u>
- 8.1 <u>Hearings</u>

### 8.1.1 Variance Appeal Hearing - 3 Shore Road, Herring Cove

Ms. MacIntyre, Development Technician, provided the Report to the Community Counneil regarding the Appeal of the Development Officers Decision to refuse a variance - 3 Shore Road, Herring Cove.

A letter was received from Mr. Alan Ruffman to Western Region Community Council in regard to the appeal at 3 Shore Road, Herring Cove.

Mr. Deveau of 3 Shore Road, Herring Cove requested that the variance appeal be granted. Mr. Deveau began working on the shed approximately three years ago, but was not aware that there were regulations in regard to the property line or that a permit is required. He did not realize that he was one foot from the adjacent property line. A letter from Mr. Ruffman, the adjacent property owner, advised that he did not have an issue and would support the appeal.

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Appeal

Hearing for the property at 3 Shore Road be closed. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Development Officer recommendations be overturned and to grant the variance at 3 Shore Road. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

# 8. <u>CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS</u> - NONE

- 10. <u>REPORTS</u>
- 10.1 STAFF REPORTS

### 10.1.1 Area Rate for Prospect Road Community Centre

A staff report dated November 9, 2007 was before the Community Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Meade that the Western Region Community Council approve the Area Rate for Prospect Road Community Centre as noted:

- 1. A new area rate of \$0.038 per \$100 of taxable residential, resource, commercial and business occupancy assessment be established effective with the 2008-09 fiscal year for the purpose of funding the construction of the Prospect Road Community Centre.
- 2. The catchment area for the new area rate correspond to the current catchment area for the Prospect Road and Area Recreation Association area rate.
- 3. The area rate for the Prospect Road and Area Recreation Association be reduced from \$0.023 to \$0.012 per \$100 of taxable residential and resource assessment effective with the 2008-09 fiscal year.

### MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

### 10.1.2 <u>Re-appointment of Representatives to the Halifax Watershed Advisory</u> <u>Committee</u>

A staff report dated October 4, 2007 was before the Community Council.

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Councillor Rankin that the Western Region Community Council approve Re-appointment of Mr. Ross Evans, Representative, to the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

- 11. MOTIONS NONE
- 12. ADDED ITEMS
- 1. Election of Chair

MOVED BY Councillor Meade, seconded by Deputy Mayor Adams that Councillor Rankin be elected Chair of Western Region Community Council. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

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#### **NOTICES OF MOTIONS - NONE** 13.

#### 14. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public came forward at this time.

#### 15. NEXT MEETING

- Special Meeting Monday, December 3rd, 2007 at 6:00 pm in Keshen Goodman 1. Library.
- 2. Next regularly scheduled meeting will be on Monday, January 28, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Keshen Goodman Library.

#### 16. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Melody Campbell Legislative Assistant