



**BEDFORD WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

SEPTEMBER 8, 2004

PRESENT: Don Lowther, Chair
Elaine Loney
Kevin Dean
Dr. Sankar Ray
Doug Murray
Lem Murphy
Kate Hadden
Councillor Len Goucher

ABSENT: Will Matheson (regrets)
Deborah Gillis (regrets)
Lawrence White, Vice Chair (regrets)
Rick Hattin (regrets)
Brad Gibb
David Gorsline
Cedric Pilkington

STAFF: Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant
Angus Schaffenburg, Planner II

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1. **Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. in the Lebrun Centre, Bedford.

2. **Approval of Minutes**

The following corrections were noted for the July 14, 2004 minutes:

- C Pg. 5, item 4.1.3, Paper Mill Lake Advisory Committee should read as
Paper Mill Lake - Watershed Water Quality Monitoring Committee
- C Pg. 7, item 8.2 - line 2, “. . . Shell station next to Cobequid Road” should
read as “. . . “Shell station ***next to Arby’s and the Legion***”.

On a motion **MOVED by Lem Murphy, seconded by Kevin Dean the revised minutes of July 14, 2004 were approved.**

3. **Approval of Agenda, Additions and Deletions**

The Chair advised that Roger Wells was not able to attend this evening’s meeting due to illness, and requested his presentation be deferred to next month’s meeting, **to which it was agreed.**

Item 7.2.1 - Presentation on Harbourfront Plan was deferred to the October meeting.

4. **Business Arising out of the Minutes/Status Sheet:**

4.1.1 Infilling of Moirs Pond

Councillor Goucher advised that this matter was proceeding positively and he hoped to hear something in the near future.

4.1.2 Kearney/Quarry/Paper Mill Dams

The Chair advised that work on the dams probably won’t begin until next year.

4.1.3 Paper Mill Lake - Watershed Water Quality Monitoring Program

Ms. Kate Hadden advised that she had nothing further to report since the meeting in May pertaining to the differing test results between AMEC and CWRS. She explained that AMEC’s testing consistently showed high levels of phosphorus but CWRS did not, adding

that the differential was ten-fold. Ms. Hadden advised that each company stands by their results, and nothing further has transpired on this situation.

The Chair advised that AMEC has been instructed to proceed with three more tests on behalf of the Board, one in September, October, and November, and they have been asked to note factors such as weather when doing the testing.

A lengthy discussion ensued and **the Board agreed** to proceed with the additional three tests, to be carried out by AMEC, and the Chair and Councillor Goucher will approach Annapolis Group and ask if they would consider carrying out similar sampling.

4.1.4 Storm Water Management: Union Street Area

Councillor Goucher advised that the staff report is nearing completion and he expects it will be presented at the next North West Community Council.

A discussion ensued with regard to storm sepiers and Mr. Angus Schaffenburg was requested to report back to the Board on how many storm sepiers are in District 21, and a description of the maintenance program.

4.1.5 Paper Mill Run

The Chair advised that Annapolis Group is concerned about the situation and is looking at Paper Mill Run in conjunction with the dams. This matter will come through BWPPC.

4.1.6 Parker's Brook

No update to report.

5. **CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS:** None

6. **CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS:** None

7. **REPORTS:**

7.1 SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS:

7.1.1 Water Quality Inventory Committee

This item was addressed in 4.1.3.

7.1.2 Paper Mill Lake Advisory Committee

No update to report.

7.2 STAFF REPORTS:

7.2.1 Presentation on Harbourfront Plan - Roger Wells, Senior Policy Advisor, Harbour Plan, Regional Planning

At the approval of the agenda, this item was deferred to the October meeting.

8. ADDED ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:

8.1 BWAB Boundary Maps - Angus Schaffenburg was asked to provide the Board with maps which note the boundaries of the Board's jurisdiction. The Chair asked that the maps also indicate the boundary between Halifax Watershed Advisory Board and Bedford Watershed Advisory Board in the Bayers Lake area. The Chair also noted that previously, the Board had put forth the suggestion to include Powder Mill Lake in it's jurisdiction but had not heard anything further. He asked Mr. Schaffenburg to follow-up on this aspect as well.

8.2 Attendance of Board Members - Dr. Ray advised that it appears the Board has trouble in obtaining a quorum for its meetings. He questioned if there was a solution to this, and if the Chair should invoke the rule whereby, if a member misses three meetings without cause, they're automatically dismissed from the Board.

The Chair asked Sheilagh Edmonds to review the Board's attendance records for the past year.

The Chair also asked staff to investigate the process to proceed with amending the Board's terms of reference to have a quorum set as six members.

8.3 Information Report - Ms. Elaine Loney referred to the submitted Information Report on Master Plan Studies and noted that in Attachment II, there is a reference to Attachment IV, which is an executive summary of draft documents pertaining to Greenfield Areas Servicing. She advised that this was not attached to the report and asked if she could receive a copy. Mr. Schaffenburg indicated he would follow up on this matter.

9. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for October 13, 2004.

10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant