

Halifax Regional Council May 21, 2002 6:00 p.m.

TO:

Mayor Kelly and Members of Regional Council

SUBMITTED BY:

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DATE

14 May 2002

**SUBJECT** 

Presentation - April 16, 2002

In-filling of Moirs Pond, Bedford - Don Lowther

## INFORMATION REPORT

## **ORIGIN**

At the meeting of Halifax Regional Council held on April 16, 2002, Mr. Don Lowther made a presentation regarding the in-filling of Moirs Pond, Bedford, and seeking Council's support in preventing the in-filling of the Pond, which is located next to the Mill Cove Plaza. In the presentation, Mr. Lowther raised the following question regarding an easement, which was referred to staff for a response: "On October 03, 1988, an easement was granted to the Town of Bedford for a walkway to the pond. If the in-filling proceeds, what happens to the easement?"

## BACKGROUND/DISCUSSION:

The easement in question was actually granted by Sobey Leased Properties Limited to the Town of Bedford on May 26, 1989 and was for "a right-of-way for all persons to pass and repass by foot either by day or night over the lands described in Schedule "A" as a pedestrian walkway". The grant of easement contains a metes and bounds description as well as a plan showing the walkway easement, a copy of which is attached as Appendix "A". Although the walkway runs generally adjacent to Moirs Pond, the easement will continue in place and will constitute a legal right of way even if permission to fill the pond is obtained by Sobeys and the pond is in fact filled.

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