



Bedford Watershed Advisory Board  
June 9, 2004  
MINUTES

- PRESENT:** Don Lowther, Chair  
Kevin Dean  
Richard Hattin  
William Matheson  
Lem Murphy  
Cedric Pilkington  
Dr. Sankar Ray  
Lawrence White, Vice Chair (7:20 p.m.)  
David Gorsline  
Councillor Len Goucher
- ABSENT:** Brad Gibb (regrets)  
Deborah Gillis (regrets)  
Kate Hadden (regrets)  
Elaine Loney (regrets)  
Doug Murray
- STAFF:** Angus Schaffenburg, Planner II  
Paul Morgan, Planner  
Richard Harvey, Planner II  
Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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## 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:10 p.m. in the LeBrun Centre, Bedford.

## 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hattin suggested there were comments he believed should be included in the minutes of May 12, 2004. He made reference to item 8.1, the presentation on the Bedford West Planning area and advised that with regard to watershed management, the Board agreed that the three dams were not the only element for watershed management and asked that it be reflected in the minutes.

On another aspect of the same presentation, Mr. Hattin noted that with respect to the Model that was used, a sentence should be added indicating, ' the forecast is based on a single data point and, therefore, applicability here should be looked at with some maturity'.

**MOVED by Mr. Pilkington, seconded by Mr. Dean, that the minutes of May 12, 2004 as amended be approved. MOTION PASSED.**

## 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA, ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

The Chair added the following item to the agenda:

### **8.3 Presentation by Jerry McKinley, Co-ordinator, Halifax Harbour Watershed Coalition**

It was agreed that item 8.1 would be dealt with first; followed by 7.2.1 and 8.3.

#### **• ADDED ITEMS/NEW BUSINESS:**

### **8.1 Presentation - Bedford West Planning Area Subwatershed Management Plan - Jacques Whitford**

- C a document entitled, Bedford West Planning Area Subwatershed Management Plan, dated May 2004, prepared for Annapolis Group Inc. by Jacques Whitford was submitted.

Mr. David Nantes, representing Annapolis Group Inc. addressed the Board and advised that the submitted report was the third component of their environmental studies for the management plan for the Bedford West Planning area.

Ms. Sue Belford, representing Jacques Whitford, addressed the Board and presented an overview of the report. In her remarks, she noted that the Subwatershed Management Plan will guide the development of the Bedford West Planning Area within the catchment areas of Paper Mill Lake, Kearney Lake and Birch Cove Lakes. As well, the plan will serve as a reference document for each phase of the Bedford West-Annapolis development, and

other future developments within the watershed.

Ms. Belford's presentation highlighted the following aspects of the report:

- Municipal Goals and objectives (MPS); and Provincial and Federal objectives relevant to land development.
- Existing land use as it pertains to residential and commercial development, and recreation uses.
- Existing Water Quality - explanation of the data that was available to use and the results of water quality sampling in Paper Mill Lake, McQuade Lake, Kearney Lake; and general summary of the other water courses and wetlands within the subwatershed lands.
- The recommendations, targets, and key recommendations as contained in the report.

Ms. Belford and Mr. Nantes responded to questions, and were thanked by the Chair for their presentation.

## **7.2 STAFF REPORTS:**

### **7.2.1 United Gulf Proposal**

Mr. Richard Harvey, Planner II referred to his submitted memorandum of May 3, 2004 RE: Case No. 00672, "The Courtyard at Paper Mill Lake, Proposal by United Gulf Developments Limited, and advised that he would like the Board to review the matter and submit any recommendations it might have.

Mr. Terry Drisdelle, Senior Development Planner with the Environmental Protection and Management Project Team regarding the proposal by United Gulf, addressed the Board and introduced members of his team that were in attendance. Mr. Drisdelle and Mr. Steve Milligan presented The Environmental Protection Plan for the CCDD Lands at Papermill Lake (a copy of their presentation was submitted to members of the Board). An outline of their presentation covered the following elements:

- key elements of the environmental protection plan
- Papermill Lake Watershed System
- environmentally sensitive areas
- water quality monitoring
- storm water reduction and treatment
- tree retention plan
- erosion and sediment control plan
- construction sequence
- implementation of key elements

A lengthy discussion ensued with Mr. Drisdelle and Mr. Milligan responding to questions. Concern was raised that the Board was not in a position to make recommendations because it did not have an overall picture of the stormwater management plan for the entire

area.

Following further discussion, on the suggestion of Mr. Harvey, it was agreed that this matter would come back to the Board with further information to address any concerns the Board has, prior to it making recommendations.

The Chair indicated the item would be on the next agenda.

**8.3 Presentation by Jerry McKinley, Co-ordinator, Halifax Harbour Watershed Coalition**

- C information regarding the background on the Halifax Harbour Watershed Restoration Coalition and the Coalition's Draft Action Plan was submitted.

Mr. Jerry McKinley, addressed the Board and gave a presentation on the history of the Halifax Harbour Watershed Restoration Coalition and its objectives. He noted that Brad Gibb, of this Board, has participated in their meetings. Mr. McKinley outlined the composition of the Coalition's Board of Directors and indicated that he would like the support of BWAB and was seeking to have a member of BWAB sit on their Board.

Mr. McKinley responded to questions and, in concluding his remarks, he noted there was some urgency to have their Board of Directors finalized, as they need to register the Coalition with the Registry of Joint Stocks to obtain not-for-profit status. He asked that the Board to provide him with a name as soon as it was possible.

Subsequently, it was **MOVED by Mr. Rick Hattin, seconded by Mr. Lawrence White that Bedford Waters Advisory Board will provide a representative to sit on the Board of Directors of the Halifax Harbour Restoration Coalition. MOTION PASSED.**

The Chair advised that at the next meeting, Brad Gibb will provide an update on his involvement with the Coalition, and, as well, he will update the Board on Parker's Brook.

The meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds  
Legislative Assistant