

BEDFORD WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD

February 27, 2008

MINUTES

PRESENT: Mr. Rick Hattin, Chair
Mr. Lem Murphy, Vice Chair
Dr. Sankar Ray
Mr. Quentin Hill
Ms. Elaine Loney
Ms. Kate Hadden
Mr. Robert Apold

STAFF: Mr. Andrew Bone, Senior Planner
Mr. Paul Morgan, Planner
Mr. Tony Blouin, Manager, Environmental Performance (Water)
Ms. Sheilagh Edmonds, Legislative Assistant

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1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. He requested a moment of silence in remembrance of Councillor Gary Martin who passed away recently.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Hill noted that he attended the January 9, 2008 meeting but his name was not listed as present.

MOVED by Ms. Loney, seconded by Mr. Hill that the minutes of January 9, 2008 be approved with the correction to Quentin Hill's name. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA / ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Addition:

9.1 Little Sackville River Setbacks - Andrew Bone

MOVED by Dr. Ray, seconded by Mr. Hill that the agenda, as amended, be approved. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING/DEFERRED BUSINESS:

4.1 Bedford West Stormwater Management Plan and Lake Monitoring Program

The following information was submitted:

- C A memo dated March 20, 2007 regarding water quality sampling and objectives, Kearney and Paper Mill Lakes, from Tony Blouin, Environmental Management Services
- C A letter dated February 6, 2008 from Scott S. MacCallum
- C A memo dated December 5, 2007 from Paul Morgan, Planner was re-circulated.

The Board continued its review of the Stormwater Management Plan.

At 7:08 p.m. Mr. Apold entered the meeting.

The Board continued its discussion with staff and Mr. Mike Hanusiak (West Bedford Holdings Limited) responding to questions. Subsequently, the following motions were approved:

MOVED by Mr. Apold, seconded by Ms. Hadden that Bedford Watershed Advisory Board, upon review of the Bedford West Stormwater Management Plan for West

Bedford Holdings Limited regarding Sub-areas 3, 4, and 6 as presented in December 2007 document prepared by Jacques Whitford NAWÉ, Inc. recommends approval of the Plan subject to the following conditions:

1. Due to BWAB's concern about the CDS unit's ability to accomplish its function in regard to phosphorus removal, that Community Council and staff take note of its implementation.
2. The Developer prepare a Best Practices Guide for the homeowner's use.
3. Results of the water quality tests be provided to BWAB.
4. The Development Agreement include an enforcement clause that will ensure compliance, (i.e. similar to what was put in the Morris Lake Development).

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Dr. Ray, seconded by Mr. Hill that the Bedford Watershed Advisory Board recommends to North West Community Council that the threshold values for water quality in Paper Mill Lake be set to 10 micrograms per litre for total phosphorus, and for fecal coliform be set to 200 counts (MPN) per 100 ml at any location for the arithmetic mean on measurements taken within a given calendar year, and 400 counts (MPN) per 100 ml for a single measurement. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

MOVED by Ms. Loney, seconded by Ms. Hadden that the Bedford Watershed Advisory Board recommend that a testing protocol program between HRM and West Bedford Holdings be created covering locations, frequency, and content; and that it include a legacy contribution, and that negotiations continue for further contributions for testing in the event an emergency arises. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

5.1 Nomination for Volunteer of the Year Award

The Chair asked Board members to e-mail him their recommendation for Volunteer of the Year.

Mr. Hill advised that he was on the Nominating Committee, therefore, he would remove himself from consideration for nomination.

6. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS AND DELEGATIONS: None

7. STATUS SHEET REVIEW:

There were no updates to the status sheet items.

- 7.1 Kearney/Paper Mill Dams
- 7.2 Bedford West Water Quality Monitoring Program
- 7.3 Morris Mill Pond – Infill Water Lot
- 7.4 Development Agreements at First Reading
- 7.5 Case 00970 - Sub Area 2 of the Bedford West Planning Strategy
- 7.6 Paper Mill Run - Flooding on Morris Property/Re-Direction of Stream
- 7.7 Dartmouth Lakes Advisory Board Testing Protocol
- 7.8 Union Street Storm Water Management 2006
- 7.9 Bedford West Storm Water Management Plan

8. PLANNING SERVICES STATUS SHEET

The Planning Applications Status Sheet for February 2008 was circulated for information.

9. ADDED ITEMS:

9.1 Little Sackville River Setbacks - Andrew Bone

Mr. Bone advised that he received a call from the Chair regarding a planning application on Sackville Drive which was looking at situations where the 100 ft. watercourse setback requirements along Sackville Drive could be reduced to 66 ft. Mr. Bone explained that the policy allows a reduction and when it was implemented in the Regional Plan, it was very stringent. However, there are situations that would warrant a reduction such as the setback covering a significant portion of the property and was considered onerous; or, if a number of sides of the property are affected, then there could possibly be a reduction. Mr. Bone noted that the Chair questioned if this matter could come to the Board for review and, after checking with his senior staff, he was advised that this would not come to the Board for review. He pointed out, however, this matter will be going to the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board for its review.

The Chair indicated that he was satisfied knowing that the Halifax Watershed Advisory Board would be reviewing the matter.

On additional planning updates, Mr. Bone noted that the Southgate proposal will be going to the March 4, 2008 Regional Council for public hearing. He advised that the report was online.

10. NEXT MEETING:

March 12, 2008. Ms. Loney and Mr. Hattin provided regrets for this meeting.

11. ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

Sheilagh Edmonds
Legislative Assistant