## HALIFAX REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY

#### BEDFORD WATERSHED ADVISORY BOARD MINUTES

June 8, 2011

- PRESENT: Mr. Rick Hattin, Chair Mr. Lem Murphy, Vice Chair Councillor Tim Outhit Ms. Lynn Davis
- STAFF: Mr. Andrew Bone, Planner, Planning Applications Mr. Cameron Deacoff, Environmental Performance Officer Ms. Pam Lovelace, Legislative Support

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#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Rick Hattin, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m. in the Nauss Room at the LeBrun Centre, 36 Holland Drive, Bedford.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – April 13, 2011

MOVED by Mr. Murphy, seconded by Ms. Davis, that the minutes of April 13, 2011 be approved as circulated. MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

#### 3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions:

- 8.1 Future of the Board
- 8.2 Papermill Dam
- 4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES None

#### 5. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – None

6. **REPORTS** 

#### 6.1 LEED Standards Overview, Elemental Sustainability Consulting Ltd.

Elemental Sustainability Consulting Co-Directors, Ms. Kristen Morse and Ms. Anne Warburton, gave a presentation on their services and an introduction to LEED.

The following points were raised during discussion of the presentation:

- Mr. Bone noted that HRM is targeting towards Green certification in new building construction, however the ewater efficiency has been an issue at the new Games Centre.
- Ms. Morse said that the aim is to employ innovative waste water measures, and reduce water consumption in order to limit the burden on the water system.
- The Chair requested clarification on the uses of black water and grey water.
- The Chair asked why people should build to LEED qualifications.
- Mr. Bone said that even in commercial development there is evidence of LEED standards being follower because the payback period is short.

### 7. STATUS SHEET

Mr. Deacoff provided a verbal update on the Status sheet items.

#### 8. ADDED ITEMS

#### 8.1 Future of the Board

The Board discussed the options for the future of the Board. Currently the Board is down to 3 members and adding new members during this time of uncertainty may not be appropriate. The following points were raised during discussion:

- Councillor Outhit noted that there is significant value in the Board
- The Chair identified three options: disband, join the Halifax Board or increase Board membership.
- Councillor Outhit questioned disbanding the BWAB, as it holds a significant knowledge and expertise.
- Mr. Bone suggested merging with the Northwest Planning Advisory Board.
- Mr. Hattin and Mr. Murphy were pleased with Mr. Bone's suggestion and requested further information from Councillor Outhit on the possibility of a merger with NWPAC.
- Mr. Bone suggested members of the Board meet with staff in the Clerk's Office to discuss this option further.

#### 8.2 Papermill Dam

The Board discussed the Papermill Dam issue.

#### 9. NEXT MEETING DATE – July 13, 2011

The next meeting is scheduled for July 13, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. at the Nauss Room in the LeBrun Centre, 36 Holland Drive, Bedford.

Agenda item for next meeting: Issues arising from Regional Plan Review.

#### 10. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:26 p.m.

Pamela Lovelace Legislative Support