# Regional Watersheds Advisory Board – 2019/2020 Summary

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The Regional Watersheds Advisory Board advises the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee with respect to watershed management.

January 9, 2019

Meeting cancelled.

February 13, 2019

Meeting cancelled.

March 13, 2019

The Board held the election of Chair. Linda Campbell was elected Chair and Emma Bocking was elected Vice Chair.

The Legislative Assistant provided an orientation to the Board.

The Board received a presentation from Energy & Environment on the Aquatic Vegetation Monitoring at Lake Banook & Lake Micmac Report and approved the following motion:

# THAT the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board continue discussing item 10.1.2 Aquatic Vegetation Monitoring at Lake Banook and Lake Micmac at their next meeting.

#### April 18, 2019

The Board received a presentation from Planning & Development on the Sackville Rivers Floodplain.

#### May 9, 2019

The Board received a presentation from Planning & Development on the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law (Package A) and approved the following motion:

THAT the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board recommend that Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommend that the Regional Council:

1. Give First Reading and schedule a public hearing to consider the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy, and the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments A and B of the staff report dated April 3, 2019.

2. Give First Reading and schedule a public hearing to consider the proposed amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and the Regional Subdivision By-law, as contained in Attachments C and D.

**3.** Adopt the Regional Centre Secondary Municipal Planning Strategy, and the Regional Centre Land Use By-law, as contained in Attachments A and B.

4. Adopt the proposed amendments to the Regional Municipal Planning Strategy and the Regional Subdivision By-law, as contained in Attachments C and D.

# <u>June 13, 2019</u>

The Board received a presentation from Energy & Environment on the Pollution Control Study Report and discussed water quality monitoring and a number of proposed developments in the Lake Banook area.

## July 11, 2019

The Board received presentations from Energy & Environment on the Water Quality Monitoring Program and from Stantec on the Pollution Control Study.

## August 2019

No meeting.

## September 12, 2019

Energy & Environment provided the Board with an update on the algae bloom in HRM lakes and the campaign on lakes and pet waste. The Board also discussed Barry's Run and the effects of goldmining on Lake Charles and other downstream sites, as well as the impact of hurricane Dorian on HRM's water quality, the condition of the public garden pond, and water level issues at Lake Major.

October 10, 2019 Meeting cancelled. November 21, 2019 Meeting cancelled.

December 2019

No meeting.

January 16, 2020

Meeting cancelled.

February 13, 2020

Meeting cancelled.

#### March 2020

The Board received presentations from Halifax Water on the Environment and Safety Subcommittee and from Planning & Development on the Shubenacadie and Sackville National Mitigation Program Projects. The Board also discussed an article from the Halifax Examiner titled "Port Wallace Gamble: The Real Estate Boom Meets Nova Scotia's Toxic Mine Legacy". Additionally, the Board approved the 2020 meeting schedule:

THAT the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board approve the proposed 2020 meeting schedule as outlined in Attachment 1 of the staff recommendation report dated January 29, 2020.

# April 2020

Meeting cancelled.

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<u>May 14, 2020</u>

Meeting cancelled.