



**REGIONAL WATERSHEDS ADVISORY BOARD  
MINUTES  
May 9, 2018**

**PRESENT:** Kelly Schnare, Chair  
Jennifer Rocard, Vice Chair  
Laura McCallum  
Rose Featherstone  
Tim Boudreau  
Kevin Hooper

**REGRETS:** Derek Vallis

**STAFF:** Shannon Miedema, Manager, Energy & Environment  
Cameron Deacoff, Environment Performance Officer, Energy & Environment  
Jacob Ritchie, Urban Design Program Manager, Planning and Development  
Phoebe Rai, Legislative Assistant, Office of the Municipal Clerk  
Hannah Forsyth, Legislative Support, Office of the Municipal Clerk

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The meeting was called to order at 5:04 p.m. and the Board adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. at HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth.

**2. COMMUNITY ANNOUCEMENTS FROM BOARD MEMBERS**

Rose Featherstone noted that the Municipality of East Hants will start using a 30 metre setback for repairs from lakeshores.

**3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 14, 2018**

MOVED by Kevin Hooper, seconded by Tim Boudreau

**THAT the minutes of March 14, 2018 be approved as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**4. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS**

MOVED by Tim Boudreau, seconded by Jennifer Rocard

**THAT the agenda be approved as presented.**

**MOTION PUT AND PASSED.**

**5. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES**

**5.1 Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee motion regarding RWAB Terms of Reference and Mandate**

The Legislative Assistant summarized the events of the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee meeting and the approved motion, and a staff report has been requested.

**5.2 Correspondence from 2012 regarding Oathill Lake**

Staff stated that the Oathill lake recommendations have been under consideration for some time. In the past the municipality has worked with the group closely and used resources collaboratively. A review of the regional plan is the next opportunity to look at lake and water policy, and their recommendations will be considered at that time.

**5.3 Water Quality Monitoring**

Staff stated that a recommended pollution control study of Lake Banook and Lake Mic Mac was approved by Council and added to the budget. An RFP has been published for contractors for the one year project.

The Board asked if they could be involved in the data collected by the contractors. The board noted the importance of the presentation of the data and a data management framework

**6. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE**

**7. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS - NONE**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS - NONE**

**8.1 Correspondence**

**8.2 Petitions**

**8.3 Presentation**

**9. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE**

**10. REPORTS/DISCUSSION**

**10.1 STAFF**

**10.1.1 Introduction to the Draft ‘Package A’ Centre Planning Documents – Jacob Ritchie, Urban Design Program Manager, Planning and Development**

**i) Presentation**

Jacob Ritchie, Manager, presented the draft package A of the Centre Plan. Ritchie gave an overview of the context and importance for the plan. Ritchie noted the importance of updating the planning framework and how it affects the Regional Watersheds Advisory Board. The Board had a particular interest in vegetated native standards for greenspace, greenhouse gas emissions, green roofs and an integrated mobility plan.

The Board asked if floodplains have been included in the design manual given the intensification of storm events. Staff indicated that urban floodplain mapping could be strengthened. Staff stated that “Package B” of the Centre Plan will also come to the Board. Staff encouraged the Board to draft a letter to help inform Centre Plan staff of any environmental concerns or implications they may have.

The Board requested a copy of Energy and Environment’s submission to Centre Plan staff. The Board would like to formally submit feedback on “Package A” as well.

**11. ADDED ITEMS - NONE**

**12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING- June 13, 2018, HEMDCC Meeting Space, Main Floor Alderney Gate, 60 Alderney Drive, Dartmouth**

**13. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

Hannah Forsyth  
Legislative Support