

# LAWRENCETOWN SOURCE WATER PROTECTION PLAN (SWPP) COMMITTEE

## MEETING MINUTES

December 13, 2012

### IN ATTENDANCE COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Phil Milo – Chair & Resident Rep  
Anne Taylor – Vice Chair & Resident Rep  
Brian Reid – Resident Rep  
Lynette Gilks – Commission Rep  
Dianne Moore – Commission Rep  
Martha Robert – Annapolis County Councillor

Chairperson Milo called the meeting to order at 7:04PM. Since not everyone had a chance to review the minutes of the Public Meeting, Mr. Milo asked to have the minutes read.

Lynette Gilks read the minutes of December 3rd, 2012 Public Meeting.

Chairperson Milo thanked those who helped to put the minutes from the Public Meeting together and then he opened the floor to discussion of points that arose from that meeting.

### Discussion:

- Due to a lower than expected turn out at the Public Meeting; it was assumed that many were unaware of it.
- Decisions are by consensus of the Committee Members, not by formal motions.
- The SWPP is a living document and will be continually updated as this Committee and the public bring points/concerns forward. We will post the SWPP document on the website in its most current version going forward, and in perpetuity. Starting in January 2013 we will stop calling it a DRAFT, and will instead refer to it as VERSION #1.
- We encourage transparency; SWPP Committee meeting minutes will be posted on the website as they are approved.
- As noted on the website, all inquiries are to be filtered through the Village Office.
- Contact information for Dawn McNeil, NSDE Watershed Planner and Maylia Parker, Stantec Consulting Ltd. to be added to the website as well as Stantec's presentation from the Public Meeting
- Ms. Parker is rechecking data in Appendix B as per request arising from Public Meeting. If required, a cover page will be included in that section explaining how and when that document was formulated.
- In January we will begin addressing the action part of the plan and look at realistic timelines for implementation.
- We appreciate that at the Public Meeting Ms. McNeil expressed her opinion of the good job that this Committee has done.

- Discussion on concerns expressed at the Public Meeting about the actual boundary and land-use planning. We understand that some in attendance would have preferred to see the boundary extended from the north-west corner of the original plan, directly to the river. We cannot change the Land Use Bylaws; however it is a legitimate concern if zones are not in the correct location.
- Request technical advice for clarification regarding the best management practices for buffer zones in regards to the application of fertilizers and pesticides/herbicides around public water supply wells. Request assistance on better wording, instead of "require a larger buffer", this is too vague. We need a more definitive answer for residents.
- Discussion on questions and comments concerning soil testing near the scrap metal building and adjoining property. This had previously been Department of Natural Resources property, and it is uncertain if possible contaminants had been buried there. There is also a concern as to whether battery acid (sulphuric acid and lead) has been more recently dumped. We questioned whether the onus would be on the Department of Environment to test the soil there, considering they are the legislative body to enforce the regulations.
- No matter what the planning, some points will get grandfathered in, so it is our responsibility to develop actions for going forward to the future.
- As already mentioned at the Public Meeting, the recommendations in the plan look at the severity if something happened, not on how likely it will happen. We will manage the plan with monitoring, education, and contingency planning.
- Discussion why PW3 was placed in this location.

**Next Meeting:**

Thursday, January 10th, 2013 at 7:00PM at Library

Ms. Roberts motioned for adjournment at 7:50 pm.

Respectfully submitted by,  
Dianne Moore