Minutes Winter River - Tracadie Bay Watershed Association Board of Directors Meeting

Grand Tracadie School February 4, 2009, 7:00 – 9:15 p.m.

Present:

Ben Bain Cathy Corrigan Rod Dempsey John Hughes

Allan MacCormac Don Mazer Luke Peters

1. Welcome

The meeting was convened with a majority of Board members present.

2. Previous Minutes

The minutes from the January 28 meeting of the Board of Directors were approved.

3. Business

- a) Don has obtained materials from the Friends of Covehead and Brackley Bay that will help us in our planning and funding application activities.
- b) Apparently, some help may be available through the P.E.I. Riparian Health Assessment project that is affiliated with the P.E.I. Soil and Crop Improvement Association. Cathy has been talking to Jennifer Roma about this.
- c) Contact has been made with UPEI and Holland College with regard to students or graduates who may be interested in applying for the position of project supervisor/coordinator this summer, pending the availability of funding for the position.
- d) Cathy has been in touch with TARRP. They will advise us of a date for a joint meeting.
- e) Rod has been in touch with Dale Thompson. The Province does not have any funds available for the remainder of this fiscal year. Dale advised that if we require additional funds for the purpose of incorporation, we should add it to our application to the Watershed Management Fund. Dale also indicated that the Province carries an insurance policy for watershed groups through Cooke Insurance and that we may have already been added to it.

- f) We can have access to some of the watershed database information available through PEI Land On-Line (such as contour and soil type information but not private data) but will have to complete an application form for authorization.
- g) Considerable discussion occurred regarding the position of project supervisor/coordinator (e.g., what would the responsibilities of the person be and how would this help us advance from in-stream work and public activities this summer toward the preparation necessary for the development of a watershed management plan).
- h) We will submit a letter of request to the City of Charlottetown for funds to conduct a river survey in the Winter River. The results of the survey will be used to define remedial work that will be conducted by a summer work crew.

ACTION: Rod will draft a letter of request to the City of Charlottetown.

i) We will prepare and submit an application to the Province's Watershed Management Fund.

ACTION: Cathy and Allan will focus on the budget portion of the application.

ACTION: Don will focus on project information portion of the application

<u>ACTION:</u> John will focus on specific project activities for the application.

4. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. at the Grand Tracadie School on Wednesday, February 11. Association members and the public are welcome to attend.

5. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.