

Lakes (Watershed) Advisory Panel

Meeting Notes for February 18, 2016

Present:Panel Members:

Councillor Signoretti
Lin Gibson
Wendy Wisniewski
Mary Henderson
Jeff Huska
Paul Truskoski
Margaret McLaughlin
Burgess Hawkins
Ed Snucins
Derrick Luetchford
Lilly Noble
Sarah Woods

City Staff:

Lana Haslam
Stephen Monet

Public Attendance:

None

Regrets:

John Gunn , Charles Ramcharan,
Anoop Naik

ADVISORY PANEL BUSINESS

- ❖ Handouts: Draft meeting notes from January meeting, Draft Watershed Advisory Panel Terms of Reference, Ontario Invasive Plant Council's Management Strategy workshop.
- ❖ Draft Notes from January 21 were approved. A request was made for more detailed notes with more information in order to better keep track of Panel comments and concerns.

PRESENTATIONS

- ❖ No presentations.

DISCUSSIONS

- ❖ Ramsey Lake Watershed Plan: The Panel would like the Consultant hired to draft the Terms of Reference for the Watershed Plan to present at an Advisory Panel meeting. Also the Panel would like regular updates on the progress of the Watershed Plan.
- ❖ Terms of Reference: The Panel reviewed the expanded comments, titled 'Responsibilities and Objectives', submitted by the members and organized by Mary H. The Panel was informed that a report to City Council is needed in order to change the name of the Panel and the Terms of Reference since it is in fact a change to the Advisory Panel Procedure By-Law. After some discussions, it was agreed to keep the current Terms of Reference but add "To provide input to the development and

implementation of the Ramsey Lake Watershed Plan and future watershed studies". The Responsibilities and Objectives will remain as guiding statements for the Terms of Reference.

ITEMS TABLED FOR NEXT MEETING

- ❖ Update on the Ramsey Lake Watershed Plan. The Consultant hired to draft the Terms of Reference for the Ramsey Lake Watershed Plan will be hosting a public open house the week of March 7th from 4-7 p.m. Panel members have the opportunity to meet as a whole with Consultant after the public open house from 8-9 p.m. It is anticipated there will be 2 public open houses. It is anticipated the Watershed Study for Ramsey Lake will begin in the spring of this year.

ACTION ITEMS

- ❖ March meeting date has been changed to Tuesday March 22. The meeting will take place in room C-13A-B.
- ❖ A subcommittee was formed to review the Consultants Terms of Reference for the Ramsey Lake Watershed Study. They will review the TOR's after meeting with the Consultant and will report back to the Panel as a whole. Panel members who volunteered are Jeff H., Lilly N., Ed S. John G., and Charles R. will be polled to see if they would like to participate.
- ❖ A subcommittee to review the Lake Stewardship Grant Applications was formed to report back to the whole Panel. Volunteers will be Wendy W., Sarah W., Paul T., Derrick L., and Lin G.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ The Greater Sudbury Watershed Alliance will be hosting a spring workshop at Science North on April 20. Theme of the event is Greater Shorelines –Greater Living. Topics of discussion will be on septic systems, invasive species, Love Your Lake program. Raffle for free septic system pump out and native plants will take place.