

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

Grand Tracadie School
February 24, 2011, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Present:

George Coade
Cathy Corrigan
Rod Dempsey
John Hughes

Don Mazer
Bruce Smith
Darren Riggs

1. Welcome

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

2. Business

- a) Darren Riggs is replacing Neil MacIsaac as the Haviland Club's representative on our Board of Directors.
- b) It was also suggested that we invite someone from the aquaculture industry to join the Board.
- c) Discussion occurred on the need to prepare an internal plan to guide the process of developing our watershed management plan. This will be particularly important as a means to ensure upcoming meetings with specific stakeholder groups and the public are conducted in as beneficial a manner as possible.
- d) Yefang Jiang, a watershed hydrogeologist in the Environment Division of the P.E.I. Department of the Environment, Energy and Forestry has been invited to deliver a public presentation on the groundwater situation for the Winter River watershed on Thursday, March 3, at 7:00 p.m. at the York Community Centre. In particular, Yefang will discuss water extraction and the impact on springs and water flow. It was decided this would also be a good opportunity to solicit input from the public on our watershed management plan.
- e) The Association's financial situation remains favorable and it appears probable that the City of Charlottetown will provide funding for upcoming activities this year. Bruce will be preparing a proposal to submit to the City. Bruce has also been busy preparing and submitting other funding applications for the 2011 work season.
- f) Chris Mutch has prepared a draft of a "3-fold" promotional brochure for the Association. It was agreed that most of the content in the brochure should be selected so that the brochure will have a shelf-life of at least three years. It was also agreed that it might be a good idea to have the brochure distributed by Canada Post.

- g) Cathy Corrigan, Don Mazer, and others will meet at the Grand Tracadie School on the morning of February 28 to begin work on compiling a newsletter. It is hoped that most members of the Board will be able to contribute content to the newsletter.
- h) It was agreed that some of the photographs taken in the watershed should be printed and framed and given to upcoming guest speakers as presents.
- i) Consideration will be given to holding a nitrate clinic sometime this year.

3. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.