



**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
DRINKING WATER AND WATERSHED PROTECTION  
TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE  
HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 21, 2017 AT 12:30 PM  
RDN BOARD CHAMBERS**

**Present:**

Anne Fiddick	Environment Community Representative
Alan Gilchrist	Academic Community Representative (VIU)
Pat Lapcevic	BC Ministry of Forests, Lands and Natural Resource Operations
Peter Law	General Public Representative (North)
Lynne Magee	Island Health
Kate Miller	Cowichan Valley Regional District
Harriet Rueggeberg	General Public Representative (South)
Barbara Sileniaks	Municipal Representative, City of Parksville (for Mike Squire)
Jocelin Teron	Island Timberlands Representative (for Ken Epps)
Bill Sims	Municipal Representative, City of Nanaimo
Fred Spears	Municipal Representative, District of Lantzville
Bob Weir	Municipal Representative, Town of Qualicum Beach
Gilles Wendling	Hydrogeologist Representative

**Regrets:**

Oliver Brandes	Academic Community Representative (POLIS)
Leon Cake	Water Purveyors (Coastal Water Suppliers)
Chris Cole	Forest Industry Representative
Deb Epps	Ministry of Environment
Ken Epps	Forest Industry Representative
Ryan Evanoff	Ministry of Transportation and Infrastructure
Nick Leone	Department of Fisheries and Oceans
Pam Shaw	Mt Arrowsmith Biosphere Region
Mike Squire	Municipal Representative, City of Parksville/Arrowsmith Water Service
David Vincent	Hydrologist Representative

**RDN Staff:**

Chris Midgley, CHAIR	Manager, Water Services & Asset Management, RDN
Joe McCallum	Special Projects Assistant, RDN
Julie Pisani	Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Coordinator, RDN
Gerald St. Pierre	Project Engineer, RDN
Paul Thompson	Manager of Long Range Planning, RDN
Jeremy Holm	Manager of Current Planning, RDN
Rebecca Graves	Recording Secretary, RDN

## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chairperson called the meeting to order at 12:39 PM and respectfully acknowledged the Coast Salish First Nations on whose traditional territory the meeting took place.

## **MINUTES**

MOVED H. Rueggeberg, SECONDED B. Sims, that the minutes from the regular meeting of the Drinking Water and Watershed Protection Advisory Committee held November 10, 2016 be adopted.

CARRIED

## **COMMUNICATIONS/CORRESPONDENCE**

**Anne Fiddick, Environmental Community Representative**, re referral process from Province to RDN for culvert installation and removal.

A. Fiddick commented on issues with small wetlands that are being drained and the effect on adjacent landowners and water courses. A letter is requested to be written to MFLNRO, who is in charge of the permits, regarding that the system be amended so that private land owners would be made aware of any change and be allowed to comment on how it would affect their properties.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

## **MUNICIPAL UPDATES**

Updates were given by District of Lantzville, Town of Qualicum Beach, City of Parksville, City of Nanaimo, and Partners on projects, current winter water levels, snowpack, and update on various water systems.

## **UPDATE PRESENTATIONS/DISCUSSION**

J. Pisani and J. McCallum gave presentations regarding a Planning and Policy update, Expanded Water Monitoring in various locations, an analysis on State of our Aquifers 2017, Stream Assessments for 2017, the Stewardship Seed Funding program, and updated Committee on various outreach/rebate programs including Water to Earth Month, Landscape Water Efficiency rebate and DWWP Video Project.

## **REPORTS**

## **ADDENDUM**

## **NEW BUSINESS**

## **BUSINESS ARISING FROM COMMUNICATIONS**

C. Midgley suggested that in regards to the correspondence given from A. Fiddick, staff will map out a process for permit jurisdiction and points of influence pertaining to drainage concerns in rural areas.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting is adjourned at 2:57pm.

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Chairperson