# **7TH REPORT OF THE**

# **ENVIRONMENTAL AND ECOLOGICAL PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

Meeting held on June 20, 2013, commencing at 5:04 P.M.

PRESENT: D. Sheppard (Chair), F. Cirino, K. Delaney, M. Hirst, S. Levin, I. MacKenzie, B. Maddeford, L. Nattagh, S. Sanford, B. Vogel and N. Zitani and B. Mercier (Acting Secretary).

ALSO PRESENT: B. Bergsma, L. McDougall, H. McNeely and A. Tikky.

REGRETS: C. Creighton, R. Gupta, C. Peterson and G. Sass.

# I YOUR COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Brian Baillargeon – 122 Wortley Road 1. (4, 18) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated May 21, 2013, from A. Watson, Planner II, with respect to an application submitted by Brian Baillargeon relating to the property located at 122 Wortley Road, and received a communication dated June 6, 2013, from C. Creighton, Land Use Planner, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority, with respect to this matter.

Chris Havaris -360 Crumlin Sideroad 2. (5, 19) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated May 20, 2013, from M. Corby, Planner II, with respect to the application submitted by Chris Havaris relating to the property located at 360 Crumlin Sideroad, and received a communication dated June 4, 2013 from C. Creighton, Land Use Planner, Upper Thames River Conservation Authority, with respect to this matter. The EEPAC applauded the efficient and protective approach in setting buffers and boundaries and avoiding an Environmental Impact Study (EIS).

Riverbend South Secondary Plan - Revised Terms of Reference

- 3. (6) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated June 10, 2013, from L. Mottram, Senior Planner, with respect to the Riverbend South Secondary Plan's revised Terms of Reference. The EEPAC asked that the following actions be taken with respect to this matter:
- a) the EEPAC be circulated any future background studies related to the Natural Heritage System;
- b) the File Planner be notified that the EEPAC will not have its comments by the July 18, 2013 deadline; and,
- c) an EEPAC Working Group review the Riverbend South Secondary Plan Terms of Reference for the Natural Heritage System; it being noted that the reviewers for this matter will be I. MacKenzie, B. Maddeford and S. Levin (Lead).

VMP Extension Environmental Assessment Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecosystems Reports and the Old Victoria No. 2 SWMF Scoped EIS

4. (7, 8) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received communications from D. McRae, Division Manager, Transportation Planning and Design, and B. Haklander, Environmental Services Engineer, with respect to their responses to EEPAC's comments on the VMP Extension Environmental Assessment Terrestrial and Aquatic Ecosystems Reports and the Old Victoria No. 2 SWMF Scoped Environmental Impact Study (EIS), respectively. The EEPAC expressed its thanks to the Civic Administration for their responses to the EEPAC's comments in a point by point format, and their hope is that this format can continue to be a standard method of response to the EEPAC.

Trails Advisory Group Meeting Minutes 5. (9, 20) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication dated April 25, 2013, from L. McDougall, Ecologist Planner, with respect to the Trails Advisory Group meeting minutes, as well as a topography map of Kains Woods from S. Levin. The EEPAC asked that the draft management zones for the Kains Woods Environmentally Significant Area (ESA), overlaid with the existing trail and proposed trail changes, be circulated to the EEPAC for its information.

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ESA Management Committee Meeting Minutes – April 22, 2013

- 6. (11) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received the Environmentally Significant Area (ESA) Management Committee minutes from its meeting held on April 22, 2013. The EEPAC asked that it be provided with the following:
- a) the wildlife trees, inventory and protocol for the EEPAC July meeting, if available; otherwise it be placed on the September agenda;
- b) a list of areas for a prescribed burn; and,
- c) an updated Naturalization Manual for the September EEPAC meeting.

Sifton Bog Environmentally Significant Area Hydrology

7. (12) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication from B. Bergsma, Ecologist Planner, with respect to the Sifton Bog Environmentally Significant Area Hydrology. The EEPAC asked that the above-noted document be sent to G. Sass for his review.

Gore Road Bridge Environmental Impact Study 8. (13) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) asked that the <u>attached</u> comments, prepared by the EEPAC Review Group, be forwarded to K. Grabowski, Transportation Design Engineer, for his review and consideration.

Homeowner Brochure – Invasive Alien Species 9. (14) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a report dated June 2013, prepared by its Working Group (WG), with respect to a homeowner brochure on invasive alien species. The EEPAC asked its WG to further discuss this matter.

Meadowlily Woods ESA Conservation Master Plan – Phase 1 Community Meeting Update 10. (15) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) heard a verbal update from S. Levin, with respect to the Meadowlily Woods Environmentally Significant Area (ESA) Conservation Master Plan, Phase 1 Community Meeting.

Sunningdale Road Improvements Environmental Assessment 11. (16) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication dated May 7, 2013, from T. Fediw, Manager, Transportation, AECOM, in response to the EEPAC's comments on the Sunningdale Road Improvements Environmental Assessment.

PenEquity Realty Corporation – 3130 and 3260 Dingman Drive and 4397 and 4407 Wellington Road South 12. (17) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a report dated June 18, 2013, from the Managing Director, Planning and City Planner, with respect to an application submitted by PenEquity Realty Corporation relating to the properties located at 3130 and 3260 Dingman Drive and 4397 and the rear portion of 4397 and 4407 Wellington Road South; it being noted that the EEPAC heard a verbal update from its Chair with respect to this matter.

Medway Valley Heritage Forest ESA – Conservation Master Plan 13. (21) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a communication dated June 14, 2013, from Environmental and Parks Planning, with respect to the Medway Valley Heritage Forest Environmentally Significant Area (ESA) Conservation Master Plan.

Sifton Properties Limited – Victoria Ridge – 1603 Hamilton Road 14. (22) That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) reviewed and received a Notice dated June 14, 2013, and received copies, of the Victoria Ridge Plan of Subdivision Environmental Impact Study Addendum, prepared by AECOM, from L. Mottram, Senior Planner, with respect to an application submitted by Sifton Properties Limited related to the property located at 1603 Hamilton Road. The EEPAC asked S. Sanford, G. Sass and D. Shepherd to review the document, with particular attention given to the gap in the Environmentally Significant Area (ESA), Block 172, and to prepare comments for the EEPAC's next meeting.

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July EEPAC Agenda Items

- 15. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) asked that the following matters be placed on the July 18, 2013 agenda for discussion:
- a) Stormwater Standards (see June 20, 2013 agenda item #8); and,
- b) Sifton Bog signage relating to evasive species, such as gold fish.
- 16. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee (EEPAC) received and noted the following:

6th Report of the EEPAC

a) (1) the 6th Report of the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee from its meeting held on May 16, 2013;

5th and 6th Reports of the ACE

b) (2) the 5th and 6th Reports of the Advisory Committee on the Environment from its meetings held on May 1 and June 5, 2013, respectively;

4th and 5th Reports of the TFAC c) (3) the 4th and 5th Reports of the Trees and Forests Advisory Committee from its meetings held on April 24 and May 22, 2013, respectively; and,

Community Buckthorn Busting Events 2013 d) (10) a communication from L. McDougall, Ecologist Planner, with respect to the community Buckthorn busting events for 2013.

**Next Meeting** 

17. That the Environmental and Ecological Planning Advisory Committee will hold its next meeting on July 18, 2012.

The meeting adjourned at 7:43 P.M.