## MEETING MINUTES



MEETING DATE	<b>River Systems Advisory Committee</b> May 20, 2015
LOCATION TIME	City Hall - Meeting Room "B" 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.
MEMBERS PRESENT	Jeremy Shute (Chair), Ian McCormick, Eric Wilson, , Nicola Lower, Javier Acosta, Mariette Pushkar, April Weppler
STAFF PRESENT	Prachi Patel, April Nix, Vaille Laur
MEMBERS ABSENT	Ryan VanEngen

## **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

ITEM #	DESCRIPTION
1	<ul> <li>Welcome:</li> <li>Roll call and certification of quorum - Met</li> <li>Introduction of Committee Members and City Staff <ul> <li>New RSAC member, April Weppler was welcomed to the Committee</li> </ul> </li> <li>Declaration of pecuniary interest or conflict of interest – None</li> <li>Review of Agenda <ul> <li>Add Niska Road Discussion</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
2	Agenda:
	1. Homewood Severances IES
	RSAC to review the Consent Application and this item will come back to RSAC in July 2015 for a motion or formal comments.
	2. Natural Heritage System Presentation by April Nix
	A. Nix, Environmental Planner – Policy with the City of Guelph, provided a PowerPoint presentation on the Natural Heritage System OPA 42.
	Presentation Overview: • History/Context • Overview of the Amendment • Key Areas/Policies • Next Steps
	A. Nix responded to questions from the Committee.

	RSAC noted that the monitoring of the subwatersheds should be looked at.
	A. Nix to bring an update regarding the timing around NHS Implementation including the development of a City wide monitoring program back to the Committee in the Fall.
	A. Nix will send a copy of the presentation to P. Patel for distribution to RSAC.
3.	Appointment of New Chair/Vice Chair
	Nominations of new appointments:
	Chair - Mariette Pushkar Vice Chair - Nicola Lower
4.	Other Business
	Niska Road Environmental Assessment
	J. Shute drafted a letter to Brad Hamilton, Project Manager (and various City staff) from RSAC advising to bring the community and City together and look at improving the consultation process.
	Moved by Mariette Pushkar and seconded by April Weppler "That the RSAC will follow up regarding Niska Road Environmental Assessment through a letter to the Project Team and representatives."
	Motion Carried -Unanimous-
	A. Nix to follow up with Brad Hamilton regarding the timing of the letter and advise the RSAC members.
5.	Adoption of February 18, 2015 Meeting Minutes:
	Moved by Nicola Lower and seconded by Javier Acosta "To approve the minutes as written."
	Motion Carried -Unanimous-
6.	Next meeting of RSAC will be July 15, 2015