## Waste Water Nova Scotia Board Meeting Minutes Friday, April 07, 2017

Best Western Glengarry, Truro

A meeting of the WWNS Board of Directors was held on April 07, 2017 at the Best Western Glengarry in Truro. In attendance were Gary Hines, Jonathan Lepper, Lester Berrigan, Eric Morse, Steve Meuse, Tom Curry, Alan Baird and Gary Cameron. Leah Boutilier represented NSE. Regrets were received from Steve Williams, Darrell MacKenzie.

Gary Hines, Vice Chair, called the meeting at 3:30 pm.

### Approval of Nov 25, 2016 Minutes

Moved by Tom, seconded by Allen that minutes be approved as presented. Carried.

## Approval of Financial Statements

Financials were presented by Gary C. Moved by Gary C, seconded by Lester that they be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

### **Business**

WWNS has been informed that as a result of complaints, Dalhousie would no longer be organizing (QP1) training for Engineers. Suggestion put forth that training module could be added to current QP training to cover P.Eng component. Gary C to follow up with several people interested in contributing.

Gary C advised that a contribution agreement had been signed by Deputy Minister Frances Martin and Steve Williams that will provide up to \$50,000 per year to fund the industry and public education work of WWNS. Gary C to check into cost of raising Board D&O insurance to \$2,000,000 to cover any increased risk.

Leah will provide an overview of revisions to Standard at AGM on April 08.

Concerns raised by Dean Walker were tabled over non certified persons doing septic inspections for Real Estate transfers and doing damage in the process. Letter to be drafted to NSE raising concerns and asking that limitations of work which can be done without certification be identified.

Issues raised at regional meetings included concerns raised by Dean Walker and concerns over responsibilities placed on QP & P.Eng's around Notifications and control of the site.

The need for public education was discussed. Possibilities of developing on-line campaign via Facebook, etc. to be explored.

Paul Currie has advised that WWNS could access an NSE summer student for special projects.

Request received from South Shore Regional Science Fair for support for innovative students. Motion by Tom, second by Steve Meuse to contribute \$500. Motion Carried.

#### Discussion on AGM.

Regional issues raised included:

- Concerns over uncertified pumpers
- Notification Receipts/ Approvals being returned by snail mail, not email, from Kentville office to some P.Eng's
- Increase in real estate inspections noted

# Adjournment

Gary Cameron Recording Secretary