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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE WATER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**  
**Held Tuesday, November 5, 2014 at 9 am in the Goldstream Conference Room,**  
**479 Island Highway, Victoria, BC**

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**PRESENT:** M. Marchenski (for E. Dyck), P. Elworthy, M. Gingras, B. June, F. Schultz, D. Spinner, M. Thompson, B. Wilkes, M. Williams  
**Staff:** T. Robbins, A. Constabel, R. Walker, H. Dale, M. Montague (Recorder)  
**ABSENT:** D. Murdock, J. Rogers, M. Doehnel, R. Mersereau, R. Neuman

The meeting was called to order at 9 am.

**1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOVED** by M. Williams and **SECONDED** by M. Thompson,  
that the Water Advisory Committee approve the agenda as presented.

CARRIED

**2. ADOPTION OF MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2014**

**MOVED** by M. Williams and **SECONDED** by M. Thompson,  
that the Water Advisory Committee adopt the minutes of the meeting held September 9, 2014.

CARRIED

**3. PRESENTATIONS**

- There were no presentations.

**4. CHAIR'S REMARKS**

The Chair remarked as follows:

- He attended the last meeting of the Regional Water Supply Commission.

**5. REVIEW OF TASK/ACTION ITEMS**

An updated task/action list is attached. A brainstorming session will be held at the next informal meeting of the Water Advisory Committee to review the task list content and format.

**6. SEPTEMBER 21 WILDFIRE EVENT AND WILDFIRE PREPARENESS**

A. Constabel introduced R. Walker, Manager, Wildfire, Security & Emergency Response. She then spoke to the report.

**MOVED** by M. Williams and **SECONDED** by M. Thompson,  
that the Water Advisory Committee receive the staff report for information.

CARRIED

**7. MOTION REGARDING DISASTER PLANNING**

T. Robbins reported on the current work plan underway on risk and disaster planning.

**8. RESULTS OF BUDGET DISCUSSIONS FOR 2015**

T. Robbins provided an update on the budget discussions for 2015. It was suggested that conversations be held with local Chambers of Commerce regarding the rate impact on the local business community.

**9. PRICING CONSERVATION CAMPAIGN**

T. Robbins provided an update on the work currently underway by the Communications Coordinator on this campaign.

**10. FIRST NATIONS REPRESENTATIVE**

There has been no response to letters sent to First Nations requesting a representative to sit on the Water Advisory Committee. Further discussions will be held with the Manager of Aboriginal Initiatives at the CRD on this item.

**11. LEECH WATERSHED USAGE – NEXT STEPS**

T. Robbins reported on the Leech watershed usage with First Nations. T'Sou-ke Nation has agreed to develop a Terms of Reference and some form of Protocol Agreement. First Nations have advised they would like to take the lead on both these items. Staff are working on open house materials and an educational piece on this issue.

**12. QUESTIONS FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS**

There were no further questions from committee members.

**13. NEW BUSINESS**

100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary – A subcommittee of Water Advisory Committee members will be formed to assist with this item.

**14. ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting adjourned at 11:15 am.