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Stoco Lake Stewardship Plan 6th Meeting of the Steering Committee

Thursday, Oct. 15, 2015 – 9:30 to 11:00 a.m.
Municipality of Tweed Committee Room

Meeting Summary/Actions

Attendees:

FOSL: Vicki McCulloch, Chair; Ruth James-Morrow, FOSL Director
Municipality of Tweed: Councillor Don DeGenova
Quinte Conservation: Tim Trustham
Regrets: Maya Navrot, Conservation Education Coordinator, and Terry Murphy, General Manager, Quinte Conservation; Municipality of Tweed Community Development Manager Rachelle Hardesty

The order of conversation has been modified to reflect the specific order of agenda items.

1. Agenda approved.
2. Sept. 14 meeting summary approved
3. September 26 Workshop:
 - a. Debrief – those who attended agreed the workshop went well.
 - b. Draft workshop report has been received, minor comments received from Steering Committee;
 - c. **Action: VM to provide them to French Planning Services and finalize report**
 - d. **Action: Final workshop report to be distributed to SLSP Steering Committee, FOSL members, and the SLSP distribution list (with notice re: launch of survey); posted to website**
4. Draft Lake Survey –
 - a. Steering Committee members provided some final comments on the revised draft survey.
 - b. There was discussion about having a hard copy version available at the Municipal office; it was noted that Survey Monkey does not readily translate into Word and formatting would be difficult; someone would have to enter the data.
 - c. It was thought that Survey Monkey would only allow one survey/IP address (*note: VM has changed that default setting for this survey; more than one survey/computer is now possible*)

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- d. **Action: MN will send revised draft survey to FPS and Steering Committee to make final edits- target launch by end of October/early November (done Nov. 7)**
5. Communications/Consultation Strategy:
- Ruth, VM and Kathie Rouse (FOSL) have arranged training session for new website and will upload workshop report /activate survey
 - Strategy document 'later in 2015/16' - can model after East Lake
 - Action: Keep Cindy Chu, MNRF speaker from Sept 12 Friends of Salmon River event in mind for fall 2016 SLSP event (after sampling) or for Quinte Field Naturalists /Hastings Stewardship Council speaker**
6. Funding Update:
- Ontario Trillium Foundation process: (DeGenova recused himself for this agenda item)
 - Action: Need to confirm if Municipality of Tweed registration was successful (subsequently confirmed it was not)**
 - Action: RH/VM/ MN to arrange teleconference with OTF800# to go over the details and discuss specific questions re: eligibility of SLSP and /or attend local funding workshops**
 - FOSL to register in anticipation of Grow grant application in December**
 - Action: VM to speak with MN/QC re: Watersheds Canada pilot project and status, and WC experience with OTF to date**
 - Other potential funding sources discussed, e.g. CFDC (Melanie Wright at Chamber AGM Oct. 21 6 p.m.); Hastings County (Tie to County OP update?); Great Lakes Guardian (maybe next year for sampling- check with MN/QC); OMAFRA RED funding – applications in January (Municipality may use for other project); Species at Risk Stewardship Fund from MNRF; Green Municipal Fund; RBC Bluewater Program; Watersheds Canada
 - Previous Action: RH to distribute table of various funding sources for consideration**
 - Action: MN/QC to review potential funding sources, particular with respect to deadlines and mandate/scope**
 - Budget estimate:
 - Revisit the initial budget developed for August OTF submission for use in other funding applications/Dec. OTF application
 - Action: MN /VM to review 'in-kind' estimate from East Lake for modification by FOSL**
 - Action: MN to provide QC field survey estimate for inclusion in budget**
7. Other Business
- There was brief discussion of recent news re: use of beetles to battle Eurasian milfoil. Quinte Conservation noted that the proposed sampling program will confirm its presence, and then further investigation into beetles could be undertaken (or included in the Stewardship Plan)
8. Next meeting:
- November 20, 9:30 -11 a.m. at Municipality Committee meeting room (subsequently rescheduled to Thurs. Dec. 10 at 10:30 a.m.)