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COMMITTEE REPORT

Date: October 16, 2026
To: Municipal Council
cc: Kim Ramsay, Chief Administrative Officer
From: Sandra Garden-Cole, EH Source Water Protection Committee Chairperson
RE: **EH Source Water Protection Committee Report**

The Committee held its regular meeting on October 14, 2026 electronically via Zoom. The following items were discussed:

Presentations

Ms. Elizabeth Montgomery, with Halifax Environment and Climate Change, presented on "HRM Supervised Beach Program Water Quality Monitoring" via PowerPoint Presentation.

Mr. Tom Mills, with SWEPS, presented on "Remote Sensing Project (Hexsor Scientific), via PowerPoint Presentation.

NS Invasive Species Council Signage

Ms. Chelsea MacPherson confirmed signage was distributed to interested parties but not all signage has been posted to date.

Engineered Spring Operation 2026

Ms. Chelsea MacPherson confirmed that the engineered spring ran from July 16th -August 24th (39 days).

Community Planning: Public Consultations

Ms. Debbie Uloth noted the upcoming fall plan review discussing " What We Heard" is on October 27th at the Enfield Fire Hall. The Enfield Secondary Planning Strategy will have an information session on November 5th at the Enfield Legion. Those within the impacted area will receive a letter in the mail.

Update on Water Utility

Mr. Chad Greenham noted that the PW-2024 Step 2 GUDI study is on-going with no concerns at this time.

Mr.Chad Greenham confirmed the River Intake Study was submitted to NSECC. Upon review, staff will request to increase withdrawal rates for the Regional Water System.

Revise Terms of Reference

Ms. Chelsea MacPherson noted the SWPAC Terms of Reference do not specify the duration for committee members, which is normally 3 years for public members and 4 years for councillors.

The Source Water Protection Advisory Committee recommends to Council to revise the terms of reference for the Source Water Protection Advisory Committee to include the term length for all committee members.

As Chair of the Committee, I so move.

As Chair of the Committee, I move the adoption of this report.