

**Freshwater-Alexander Bays
Ecosystem Corporation**

Date: March 29, 1999
Monthly Meeting
Location: R.E. Stroud Building
Time: 7:30 PM

Present:

Fred Holloway
Austin Stewart
John Baird
Kevin Stroud

Chris Feltham
Wayne Sparkes
Sandy Feltham
Glenn Briffett

Ralph Genge
Melvin Parsons
Steve Way

Business:

Pine Marten: Joe Brazil, Provincial Wildlife Division, made a presentation on the pine marten. Reviewed the biology of the marten, current status, and government's plan to rebuild the population from the current 300 animals. Goal is 1,000 animals by 2060, at which point it will no longer be classed as endangered. Corner Brook Pulp and Paper has agreed to give up a timber area at Little Grand Lake to create a reserve. It is giving up enough wood to supply the mill for one year.

**Motion: 99/03/29/01 Peter Deering/Austin Stewart
To accept the minutes of Feb. 10 Directors meeting. Carried**

**Motion: 99/03/29/02 Steve Way/Austin Stewart
To accept the minutes of Feb. 22 regular monthly meeting. Carried**

Proposed public meeting in Gambo to discuss Middle Brook trout conservation: A meeting has not yet been scheduled.

Watershed Management and Economic Development proposal: The Committee recommended revisions to the original proposal submitted to government a year ago. The revised budget for the five-year plan is approximately \$1.8 million, down from \$2.4 million in the original proposal. All members agreed to support intensive lobbying effort to get government support for the proposal.

**Motion: 99/03/29/03 Austin Stewart / Peter Deering
To approve the recommended revisions to the watershed management proposal and
to submit the revised proposal to government.**