

**SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES**

**MEETING NO. 06-08-SPC**

Thursday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008

Holiday Inn – Barrie, ON

**SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Lynn Dollin	Chair, Source Protection Committee
Colin Elliott	Agricultural Sector Representative
John Hemsted	Agricultural Sector Representative
David Ritchie	Agricultural Sector Representative
Chris Galway	Aggregate Representative
Colin Nisbet	Economic / Development Sector Representative
Fred Jahn	First Nations Representative
Gerry Brouwer	Industrial / Commercial Sector Representative
David Ketcheson	Industrial / Commercial Sector Representative
John Boucher	Municipal Sector Representative, Town of Penetanguishene
Clayton Cameron	Municipal Sector Representative, Township of Severn
David Marquis	Municipal Sector Representative, Durham Region
Erin Mahoney	Municipal Sector Representative, York Region
Rick Newlove	Municipal Sector Representative, Simcoe County
Stan Wells	Municipal Sector Representative, Town of Wasaga Beach
Dianne Corrigan	Public Sector Representative
Bob Duncanson	Public Sector Representative
Stephanie Hobbs	Public Sector Representative
Tom Kurtz	Public Sector Representative
Alex Millar	Public Sector Representative
Fred Ruf	Public Sector Representative
Larry Slomka	Public Sector Representative

**LIAISONS:**

Keith Sherman	Source Protection Authority Liaison Representative (SSEA)
Kate Turner	Ministry of the Environment

**REGRETS:**

Ted Devine	Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit
Brian Milligan	Municipal Sector Representative, Town of Midland

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

John Fitzgibbon	Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition
Anne Guiot	Skelton, Brumwell and Associates
Monique Sirois Kelly	Canadian Federation of University Women

**SOUTH GEORGIAN BAY LAKE SIMCOE REGION STAFF PRESENT:**

Don Goodyear	Manager, Source Protection Planning
Susan Jagminas	Communications Specialist, Source Protection Planning
Melanie Rumley	Project Assistant, Source Protection Planning

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**I WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**

Chair Dollin welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the new SPC members.

Chris Galway from Lafarge is the new aggregate representative while member Robert Grimm is on a leave of absence. Chris's participation on the Committee was approved at the May meeting of the lead Source Protection Authority. Erin Mahoney is the new municipal sector representative for York Region, replacing Ilmar Simanovskis. Fred Jahn is the First Nations representative on the Committee. The SPA liaison for this meeting is Keith Sherman of the Severn Sound Environmental Association (SSEA).

**II DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None identified for the record of this meeting.

**III APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

The agenda of June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 was amended to correct the date on Item III (Approval for the Agenda) to read June 26<sup>th</sup>, 2008 instead of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008.

Chair Dollin requested an amendment to the agenda to include an additional item under Correspondence, this item being the e-mail covering letter from Director Ian Smith of June 20<sup>th</sup> regarding the recent EBR posting. This item will be agenda item 1 (g).

Moved by: R. Newlove

Seconded by: F. Ruf

**RESOLVED THAT the content of the Agenda for the June 26th, 2008 meeting of the South Georgian Bay/Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee be approved as amended to correct the date of the current agenda approval item, and to include Correspondence Item 1 (g).**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**IV ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

a) Source Protection Committee

i) Chair Dollin reviewed the minutes of the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 Source Protection Committee meeting. David Ketcheson noted a typo in Item IV (b) that the draft minutes of the Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting should read May 7<sup>th</sup> instead of May 17<sup>th</sup>. Colin Elliott added that a seconder's name should be present in Item IV (b) on the motion regarding operation under Bourinot's Rules of Order. John Hemsted's name was recognized and added as the seconder.

Action items from meeting of May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008:

Bio-Security Issue

This matter will be carried forward as an action item for future meetings.

Moved by: J. Hemsted

Seconded by: C. Nisbet

**RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the South Georgian Bay/Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee, held on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008, be approved as amended.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

b) Technical Working Group (TWG)

Member Larry Slomka, Chair of the TWG, reviewed the minutes of the June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Technical Working Group. He explained the preference for using Aquifer Vulnerability Index (AVI) over Intrinsic Susceptibility Index (ISI) and the use of geological surfaces as opposed to individual well records for aquifer vulnerability mapping.

Colin Elliott noted an amendment to Item V (b) – Other Business. It should be noted that David Ritchie planned the meeting with a MPP to see Minister Gerretsen, not Colin Elliott.

Moved by: R. Newlove

Seconded by: A. Millar

**RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Technical Working Group be received for information, amended as directed, and the recommendations therein be approved by the Committee.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

c) Municipal Working Group

Member Stan Wells, newly appointed Chair of the MWG, informed the Committee that an extension of the deadline for comments for Draft 1 of the Terms of Reference was recommended by the MWG. It was recommended that the deadline for comments be extended from June 30, 2008 to July 4, 2008. It was suggested and agreed to in discussion of this item that any extension to the commenting period should apply to all stakeholders.

An amendment was suggested for the movement to add that the recommendations in the June 17<sup>th</sup> minutes of the Municipal Working Group be approved by the SPC.

Moved by: D. Marquis

Seconded by: C. Cameron

**RESOLVED THAT the minutes of the June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting of the Municipal Working Group be received for information and FURTHER THAT the recommendations therein be approved.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**V ANNOUNCEMENTS**

a) Activities of the Committee and Chair

- i) Member Bob Duncanson attended the Niagara Escarpment Commission meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008. He noted that the meeting mainly focused on aggregate mining and source water protection. Generally, there was a lack of knowledge/engagement on the subject, but the information that Bob provided was welcomed.
- ii) Member John Hemsted noted that the e-mail invitations for the Director's Rules Roundtables on July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2008 were received this week.

- iii) Member Alex Millar is offering a two-part lecture series to undergraduate university students as part of a course he's taking. He has presented the first lecture on the history of municipal water and source water protection, and will be presenting his second lecture in a few weeks.
- iv) Chair Dollin thanked all SPC members who attended the Terms of Reference Open Houses on May 22<sup>nd</sup>, June 4<sup>th</sup>, June 5<sup>th</sup> and June 13<sup>th</sup>. She also mentioned the SPC Chairs Meeting that took place on June 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup>, specifically the presentation by Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition (OFEC). As well, there were two SPA meetings (Lakes Simcoe & Couchiching / Black River and Nottawasaga Valley) that have taken place in the last month.
- v) Chair Dollin and Member Bob Duncanson attended a meeting with Minister Gerretsen on June 12<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the meeting was to get general feedback on how the Source Protection Program is proceeding, to discuss any current or forecast issues, and to brainstorm about implementation of the plan in the future. MOE, MNR, some stakeholder group representatives and other Chairs and members from various SPCs attended the meeting. Topics discussed included First Nations involvement in the program, agricultural concerns, Permit To Take Water systems, and difficulties in utilizing the stewardship funding.

## **VI DELEGATIONS**

There were no delegations scheduled for this meeting.

## **VII PRESENTATIONS**

Approaches to Implementation of Source Water Protection  
John Fitzgibbon, Chair, Ontario Farm Environmental Coalition (OFEC)

Dr. John Fitzgibbon gave an overview of some possible approaches to source water protection implementation, including key issues, OFEC principles, co-regulation, self-regulation and stewardship, capacity building, and education and awareness.

The presentation was very well received and the SPC would welcome him back to present in the future.

## **VIII DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Agenda Items 1(g) – Letter from Ian Smith at MOE re: EBR posting, 2 – Report from the Chair, 4 – Communications Update, Outreach Activities, and 5 – Terms of Reference Update were identified for discussion.

## **IX ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

It was identified that Agenda Item 3 (Communications Update – Staff Report No. 2008-06-01-SPC) has been received by the Committee and does not require separate discussion.

Moved by: D. Marquis

Seconded by: J. Hemsted

**RESOLVED THAT that Staff Report No. 2008-06-01-SPC describing media coverage and web site statistics surrounding Source Water Protection be received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**X CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

**1.(a)-(f)Correspondence**

Moved by: L. Slomka

Seconded by: J. Hemsted

**RESOLVED THAT the correspondence listed in the June 26th, 2008 agenda as items 1 (a) through (f) be received for information, and FURTHER THAT item 1 (g) be considered and that SWP staff provide a report on item 1 (g) at the July SPC meeting.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**1.(g) Letter from Director Smith at MOE re: EBR Posting of June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

Six (6) draft technical documents/guidelines were posted to the EBR on Friday, June 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The deadline for comments on these documents is August 4<sup>th</sup>, 2008. The meetings planned by the Ministry for July 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Barrie should further clarify the documents. A number of SPC and TWG members are attending these meetings, as well as Chair Dollin and SWP staff.

<b>Action:</b>	Send comments/feedback on the EBR posting of June 20 <sup>th</sup> , 2008 to SWP staff by Monday, July 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2008.
<b>Responsibility:</b>	SPC Members

**2. Report from the Chair (Chair Report No. 2008-06-01-CHAIR)**

The original motion regarding changing meeting procedure from consensus to formal Bourinot's Rules format from the May 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2008 SPC meeting was withdrawn by David Marquis (original mover) and John Hemsted (original seconder).

Chair Dollin reviewed the Report from the Chair, explaining that based on the SPC Code of Conduct, as well as research on decision-making format of other SPCs in the province and requirements of the Clean Water Act, that the Committee should strive for consensus, but can add a formal mover and seconder for each motion, and vote on decisions.

Moved by: L. Slomka

Seconded by: J. Hemsted

**RESOLVED THAT Chair Report No. 2008-06-01-CHAIR regarding rules of procedure for SPC meeting be received for information, and THAT the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee adopt a formal decision making procedure**

CARRIED

Opposed: one

**4. Communications Update – Outreach Activities (Staff Report No. 2008-06-02-SPC)**

Alex Millar asked a question to the Committee at large regarding guidelines around giving public comment as a SPC member. It was suggested that SPC members do the following when giving a public presentation: inform Chair Dollin and SWP staff of the meeting (where/when/why/how); let SWP staff know if they require material as there are standard PowerPoint slides and other material that may help; and report back to the Committee on meetings attended.

Chair Dollin noted that Section 4.4.4 of the SPC Code of Conduct states the following:

"Only the chair or the project manager or his/her designate should comment to the media on policy matters. This policy is not intended to restrict the ability of members to express an opinion on non-committee general interest matters, where the member makes it clear that he/she is commenting as a private citizen and not in his/her capacity as a Source Protection Committee member."

Susan Jagminas invited SPC members to attend the next Communications Working Group meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup> in Newmarket (originally scheduled in Midland) and suggested electing an official SPC representative at a future meeting. An e-mail regarding the meeting on July 15<sup>th</sup> will be sent out to all SPC members.

Colin Elliott suggested sending information to local Chambers of Commerce and offering to give our standard presentation. He also identified a large agricultural group meeting in January 2009 that would be a good communications opportunity. Susan Jagminas noted that a main goal of the Communications Working Group is to work on an overall marketing plan.

Don Goodyear mentioned that public awareness is an ongoing challenge, but that SWP staff are working on changes to present to community groups more often and to put technical terminology into laymen's terms. Erin Mahoney indicated that it's difficult to engage the public at this early point in the process and suggested using more examples of implications for individuals to engage the public. Clayton Cameron agreed that because the program currently only deals with municipal systems, there is little individual public interest. Fred Ruf indicated that lack of public interest is a concern within other SP regions as well, and that perhaps we can speak with other SPCs about working together to generate some ideas.

Keith Sherman of the SSEA mentioned the Great Lakes Initiative Meeting in Toronto on July 16-18. Stan Wells asked about the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) Conference, taking place on August 24-27 in Ottawa, and if MOE presence would be there. Chair Dollin informed the Committee that Ian Smith is unfortunately unable to attend.

<b>Action:</b>	Information to go to MOE regarding having ToR information/training update at the AMO Conference in August as this would be a good opportunity to speak with all municipalities.
<b>Responsibility:</b>	Kate Turner, MOE

Moved by: R. Newlove

Seconded by: T. Kurtz

**RESOLVED THAT the Staff Report No. 2008-06-02-SPC describing outreach activities surrounding Source Water Protection be received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**5. Terms of Reference Update (Staff Report No. 2008-06-03-SPC)**

Don Goodyear provided an overview of the comments received to date and reviewed the charts indicating the comments. He noted that comments that were submitted near the end of the comment period (June 18-20) would be included in the next summary of comments that will be presented to the SPC at the July meeting. Most of the comments received thus far have been numerical errors (e.g., the drinking water systems was appropriately listed but the number of wells within the system was incorrect), as well as some editorial comments.

David Marquis and Erin Mahoney asked if staff had received the ToR resolutions for Durham and York Regions respectively. Staff confirmed that these documents have been received.

Chair Dollin commented on the last four comments received pertaining to all three ToRs (page 54 of 54 in the full meeting agenda) and suggested a revised Mission/Vision statement using the Trent Conservation statement as an example. The Committee suggested some revisions, including adding the words "all municipal systems", and mentioning water quantity and quality. David Marquis suggested that a mission statement should be clear, succinct and one to two sentences maximum. Staff were directed to include a revised mission statement in the next version of the Terms of Reference for consideration by the SPC.

Moved by: D. Marquis

Seconded by: C. Cameron

**RESOLVED THAT Staff Report No. 2008-06-03-SPC regarding the comments made on the Draft 1 Terms of Reference documents be received for information, and FURTHER THAT the Source Protection Committee accept the recommendation of staff as listed in the charts of comments and those comments will be incorporated into the Draft 1 Terms of Reference.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**XI OTHER BUSINESS**

The next meeting of the Source Protection Committee will take place on July 24<sup>th</sup>, 2008 at a location TBD. The August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2008 meeting will take place in Muskoka district.

Chair Dollin indicated that that draft Lake Simcoe Protection Act is currently posted on the EBR (Registry #010-3753) with comments due by August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008. Chair Dollin asked the group if they would like a presentation on this topic and the Committee indicated their interest.

Chair Dollin also mentioned the Elmvale Water Festival taking place on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008.

**XII CLOSED SESSION**

There was one item for this meeting requiring in-camera discussion.

Moved by: D. Marquis

Seconded by: A. Millar

**Motion for the meeting to go in-camera.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**XIII ADJOURNMENT**

Moved by: J. Hemsted

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 p.m.