

MINUTES

Source Protection Committee Meeting No. SPC-11/12
Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority,
C.W. Leach Auditorium
8195 8th Line, Utopia (Essa), ON, L0M 1T0
Thursday December 17, 2009 – 2:00pm – 5:00pm

MEMBERS:

Lynn Dollin, Chair

Municipal

Herb Proudley
Stan Wells
David Marquis
Clayton Cameron
Rick Newlove

Economic / Development

Colin Elliott
Colin Nisbet
Gerry Brouwer
David Ritchie
John Hemsted

Public Sector

Dianne Corrigan
Fred Ruf
Larry Slomka
Stephanie Hobbs
Bob Duncanson
Alex Millar
Tom Kurtz

First Nations

Fred Jahn

Liaisons

Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit – Karen Wierzbicki
Severn Sound Environmental Association – Keith Sherman
Ministry of the Environment (MOE) - Maeve McHugh

Staff

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| Don Goodyear | Shelly Cuddy | Ben Longstaff |
| Megan Price | Angela Bishop | Kelin Zhao |
| Kelsey Cronk | Katie Howson | |

Regrets

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| Erin Mahoney | John Boucher | Chris Galway |
| David Ketcheson | | |

Guests

Wendy Kemp – York Region
Wayne Wilson – Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority
Ryan Post – Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority
Scott Lister – Conservation Ontario
Clair Mitchell – Conservation Ontario
Ian Watson – Skelton Bramwell & Associates

I. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Chair Dollin welcomed everyone to the December 17, 2009 Source Protection Committee (SPC) meeting and thanked Wayne Wilson of the Nottawasaga Valley

Conservation Authority for the venue. Chair Dollin also thanked SPC Member Stan Wells for acting as Chair at the SPC meeting of November 26, 2009, and to SPC Member Fred Jahn for hosting the SPC meeting at Rama First Nation on that date.

II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None made for the record of this meeting.

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Moved by: John Hemsted

Seconded by: Fred Jahn

Additional Item to be added under Agenda Item XI. Other Business, Keith Sherman, Severn Sound Environmental Association.

RESOLVED: **THAT the amended agenda for the, December 17, 2009, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as amended to include the additional item under other business.**

CARRIED

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(a) Source Protection Committee

Included is a draft copy of the minutes from the November 26, 2009, meeting of the Source Protection Committee (SPC).

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Fred Ruf

RESOLVED : **THAT the minutes of the November 26, 2009, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as printed and circulated.**

CARRIED

(b) Technical Working Group

Included is a copy of the draft minutes of the December 8, 2009 Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting.

Moved by: Stan Wells

Seconded by: Rick Newlove

RESOLVED: **THAT the draft minutes of December 8, 2009, meeting of the Technical Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved.**

TWG Chair, Larry Slomka confirmed that when materials are being presented to the TWG, other SPC members are welcome to attend the meetings if interested. Chair Slomka also outlined the process being followed to develop the assessment report; Draft project reports are reviewed by staff and the TWG, and then endorsed at a subsequent TWG meeting when comments are addressed.

In response to a question about peer review, Don Goodyear indicated that all materials are being reviewed by staff, water budget materials are formally peer reviewed by an expert panel, and wellhead protection area delineations are being peer reviewed by a third party consulting firm.

CARRIED

(c) Municipal Working Group

Included is a copy of the draft minutes of November 20, 2009 Municipal Working Group (MWG).

Moved by: David Marquis

Seconded by: Larry Slomka

MWG Chair Stan Wells advised that where a municipality straddles two Source Protection Regions, those municipalities will be invited to enclose municipal correspondence with the letters being sent to those identified as threats.

The group also discussed the potential for an additional Municipal Workshop in February or March of 2010, dedicated to the Assessment Report.

RESOLVED : **THAT the draft minutes of November 20, 2009, meeting of the Municipal Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved.**

CARRIED

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Activities of the Chair & Committee

SPC Member John Hemsted and Don Goodyear presented to the Durham Agricultural Advisory Committee

SPC Member Clayton Cameron attended a Source Protection open house for the Trent Conservation Coalition.

SPC Chair Lynn Dollin participated on a Chairs and Project Managers Conference Call to discuss the Assessment Report, and minutes will be available in SPC agenda for January 2010.

The Latornell Conservation Symposium was attended by SPC Members, David Ketcheson, Larry Slomka, Tom Kurtz and Dianne Corrigan. Summaries from those members will be available in SPC agenda for January 2010.

SPC Chair Lynn Dollin and Don Goodyear presented at the Latornell Conservation Symposium.

SPC Chair Lynn Dollin and Don Goodyear have presented to a number of Municipal Councils in the source protection region during November and December, 2009.

Don Goodyear extended individual thanks to all Source Water Protection Staff and Source Protection Authority staff for their dedication and work during 2009 and praised the liaisons for their support and cooperation.

VI. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations scheduled for this meeting.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

(a) Assessment Report Update and Status

Ben Longstaff and Shelly Cuddy presented an update on the status and content of the Assessment Report.

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Herb Proudley

An update on the format of the Assessment Report concerning required content and local progress was presented. The process, progress, and challenges associated with the timelines was covered.

RESOLVED:

THAT the presentation by Ben Longstaff and Shelly Cuddy regarding the status and content of the Assessment Report be received for information.

CARRIED

(b) Assessment Report Consultation Strategy

Megan Price described the Assessment Report consultation strategy.

Moved by: Herb Proudley

Seconded by: Colin Nisbet

Municipalities will receive advance notice of the landowners receiving the different category of letters within the two year time of travel and a copy of the respective letters. Recipients of the significant threat letters will receive additional information to assist understanding the process.

Electronic copies of the Assessment Report will be provided to municipalities, and hard copies made available for review at the three Source Protection Authority offices. Municipal Councilors and staff will have in advance of posting the report a Frequently Asked Questions sheet to assist in consistent messaging. An additional Municipal workshop is being arranged to coincide with the release of the report.

It was noted that the venues for the public consultation concentrate on the western side of the region, and that it may be necessary to hold an additional session or team-up with neighbouring SPC's on the eastern side of Lake Simcoe. Representatives from the municipalities, health department and stewardship will have booths to assist with landowners questions.

RESOLVED: THAT the presentation provided by Megan Price describing the Assessment Report consultation strategy be received for information And a Copy of the draft threat letters be circulated to each Source Protection Authorities marked as draft for review and comment

CARRIED

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Herb Proundley

None

RESOLVED: THAT the recommendations respecting items not requiring separate discussion be approved, and staff be authorized to take all necessary actions to effect those recommendations.

CARRIED

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Moved by: Alex Millar

Seconded by: Stan Wells

Agenda Items 1 and 2 recognised as items not requiring separate discussion

RESOLVED: THAT the recommendations respecting items not requiring separate discussion be approved, and staff be authorized to take all necessary actions to effect those recommendations.

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

None.

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Keith Sherman advised that at the Severn Sound Environmental Association (SSEA) Partners Reception on December 10, 2009, he commended the good work of the SPC. In conclusion Keith Sherman presented Chair Dollin with a plaque recognising the contribution to the protection of the drinking water resources of the Sever Sound Source Protection Area.

Keith Sherman announced that Michele Lock, Communications Specialist will be leaving SSEA at the end of December. Chair Dollin asked Mr. Sherman to pass along the thanks of the SPC for the contribution that Michele has made to the program.

Ben Longstaff noted a document that was posted to the Environmental Bill Registry on Proposed Changes to Composting Regulations for members attention.

Alex Millar extended his thanks to the SPC for the continued work of the group and cooperation amongst the members.

Chair Dollin thanked members, liaisons and staff for their work and reminded members that this was the second anniversary of the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee, extended seasons greetings to everyone and was looking forward to working with everyone in 2010

XII. CLOSED SESSION

None .

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment proposed by Herb Proudley, meeting closed at 4:38pm