



Source Protection Committee Meeting Minutes
Meeting Number SPC-06/09
Ramara Sports Complex
5482 Hwy 12S, Atherley, ON, L3V 6H7
Thursday, June 25, 2009 – 10:30 am to 12:30 pm

MEMBERS:

Lynn Dollin, Chair

Municipal

Herb Proudley
John Boucher
David Marquis
Clayton Cameron

Economic / Development

Colin Elliott
Chris Galway
Colin Nisbet
David Ketcheson
Gerry Brouwer
David Ritchie
John Hemsted

Public Sector

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

Liaisons

Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit – Ted Devine
Source Protection Authority – Severn Sound – Keith Sherman
Ministry of the Environment (MOE) - Peter Rider and Martin Keller

Staff

Don Goodyear	Susan Jagminas	Shelly Cuddy
Ben Longstaff	Megan Price	Angela Bishop

Regrets

Erin Mahoney	Rick Newlove	Stan Wells
Fred Jahn	Fred Ruf	

Guests

Kelin Zhao, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority, Source Water Protection
Lucy Burke, City of Kawartha Lakes
Gemma Boag, Public at large
Tanya Kampher Martin, Regional Municipality of York,

I. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS

Source Protection Committee (SPC) Chair, Lynn Dollin, asked His Worship Mayor Duffy, Township of Ramara, to address the SPC meeting. Mayor Duffy welcomed

the group to the Township of Ramara, wishing them well in their deliberations and hoped that the group enjoyed the wonderful facilities and community spirit of the Town of Ramara. SPC Chair Lynn Dollin, thanked Mayor Duffy for his welcome and comments.

SPC Chair Lynn Dollin also welcomed a new temporary member of staff to the Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority and to the SPC meeting, Megan Price, Communications Specialist, Source Water Protection and other staff members and guests as recorded.

II. *DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST*

None made for the record of this meeting.

III. *APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA*

Moved by: Gerry Brouwer

Seconded by: John Hemsted

Additional tabled documents:

Agenda Item 1 (d) , Correspondence from Minister John Gerretson, Minister of the Environment to SPC Chair Lynn Dollin and Councillor Virginia Hackson concerning approval of the Terms of Reference for the Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching-Black River Source Protection Area.

Agenda Item 3, Staff Report 2009-06-03-SPC – Planning Working Group.

RESOLVED: THAT the agenda for the June 25, 2009 meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as amended.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

IV. *ADOPTION OF MINUTES*

Moved by: Bob Duncanson

Seconded by: David Marquis

Suggestions to revise the minutes were:

Hopped to hoped, Page 9

Non residential, changed to small, Page 6

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes of the May 28, 2009 meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as amended.

(b) Technical Working Group

SPC Chair Lynn Dollin asked Technical Working Group (TWG) Chair Larry Slomka to comment on the draft TWG minutes for June 9, 2009.

TWG Chair Larry Slomka advised that the group reviewed and agreed to a process for peer reviewing wellhead protection areas.

The logistics of reviewing the technical findings for all of the systems in the region were discussed and it was concluded that;

- Staff will bring items of specific concern to the TWG's attention,
- Additional meetings would be held during the fall of 2009,
- Consultants responsible for the reports would be asked to be available to the group should further examination be necessary.

Moved by: John Hemsted

Seconded by: Herb Proudley

RESOLVED: THAT the draft minutes of June 9, 2009 meeting of the Technical Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Activities of the Chair & Committee

This portion of the meeting was omitted due to time constraints.

VI. DELEGATIONS

There were no delegations scheduled for this meeting.

VII. PRESENTATIONS

(a) Drinking Water Quality Threats and Issues Assessment

Peter Rider, Senior Drinking Water Program Advisor, Source Protection Programs Branch, Ministry of the Environment, presented an overview on Threats and Issues Evaluation for the Assessment Report, which described the delimitation of vulnerable areas, methods for vulnerability scoring, the three approaches to drinking water quality threats assessment and the process for enumerating significant drinking water threats.

In response to questions the group was advised that threats and issues to drinking water being assessed include current, historical and potential future activities. Threats are categorised as significant, moderate or low through a technical process underway across the province. The Ministry of Environment have a prescribed list of 21 categories of threats, within which a multitude of activities are included.

The group was advised that the Technical Rules require existing water quality issues to be included in the Assessment Report if they are documented (through a series of laboratory results) within one of the four vulnerable areas that the Clean Water Act references (wellhead protection areas, intake protection zones, significant recharge areas, or highly vulnerable aquifer areas). Water quality issues outside of those vulnerable areas will continue to be addressed and managed by the MOE and others through complimentary pieces of legislation (e.g. Water Resources Act).

The issues of protecting individual or business privacy was raised and the meeting was advised that threats could be identified on maps but names and addresses are to be withheld.

Moved by: Larry Slomka

Seconded by: Alex Millar

RESOLVED: THAT the presentation provided by Peter Rider, Senior Drinking Water Program Advisor, Source Protection Programs Branch, Ministry of the Environment, presentation on Threats and Issues Evaluation for the Assessment Report be received for information with thanks.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Additional agenda items 1 (d); Agenda Item 2; Agenda Item 3 were identified.

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Agenda Items 1 (a), 1(b), 1(c), were identified.

Moved by: Gerry Brouwer

Seconded by: Colin Elliott

RESOLVED: THAT Agenda items listed as not requiring separate discussion be adopted and staff be authorised to take action to implement.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Agenda Item 1 (d), Correspondence:

Correspondence from Honourable John Gerretson, Minister of the Environment, to SPC Chair Lynn Dollin and Councillor Virginia Hackson concerning the Terms of Reference (TOR) for the Lakes Simcoe and Couchiching-Black River Source Protection Area approval. The group was advised that it is anticipated that the final approval for the Severn Sound and Nottawasaga Valley TOR documents would be released shortly.

RESOLVED: THAT Agenda Item 1 (d) Correspondence from Honourable John Gerretson, Minister of the Environment, be received for information.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 2 Staff Report No. 2009-06-02-SPC

The group was advised that maps showing the areas eligible for stewardship funding within the source protection region are now available on the website; www.ourwatershed.ca.

RESOLVED THAT Agenda Item 2 Staff Report No. 2009-06-02-SPC concerning stewardship funding be received for information.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 3. Staff Report No. 2009-06-03-SPC

The report concerning the formation and structure of a Planning Working Group with policy expertise to support the SPC was discussed. The objectives of this group are to support the SPC in commenting on the Discussion Paper on Requirements for the Content and Preparation of Source Protection Plans in the short term, and ultimately developing the Source Protection Plan policies.

The group advised that it would prefer six SPC members (two self-selected from each sector) and the remainder planning professionals from municipalities around the region. The group would ideally include representatives from all four watersheds, upper and lower tier municipalities, rural and urban centers and groundwater and surface water supply settings.

RESOLVED: THAT Staff Report No. 2009-06-03-SPC regarding the Planning Working Group be received for information and that staff be directed to form and initiate the working group.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

None declared at this meeting.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

None declared at this meeting.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by David Marquis at 12:40pm