

**MINUTES**

Source Protection Committee Meeting No. SPC-03/04  
Ritchie Family Farm,  
1201 Rumney Road, Midland, ON L4R 4K3  
Thursday April 22, 2010 at 2:00pm – 5:00pm

**MEMBERS:**

Lynn Dollin, Chair

**Municipal**

Herb Proudley  
Stan Wells  
David Marquis  
Clayton Cameron  
John Boucher  
Rick Newlove

**Economic / Development**

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

**Public Sector**

Tom Kurtz  
Alex Millar  
Larry Slomka  
Stephanie Hobbs  
Bob Duncanson

**First Nations**

Fred Jahn

**Liaisons**

Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit – Karen Wierzbicki  
Ministry of the Environment (MOE) - Maeve McHugh

**Staff**

Don Goodyear

Megan Price

Angela Bishop

**Guests**

Mayor Downer, Township of Midland  
Mayor Warnock, Township of Tay  
Mayor Dubeau, Township of Penetanguishene  
Mayor Hugh, Township of Oro-Medonte  
Councillor Warrant, Township of Tiny  
Councillor Andre Clair, Township of Tiny  
Leah Riddell, Ontario Federation of Agriculture  
Connie Brown, Simcoe County Federation of Agriculture  
Elaine Simpson, Ontario Federation of Agriculture  
John Westlake, Ministry of the Environment  
Maeve McHugh, Ministry of the Environment  
Chris Attema, Ontario Cattlemen's Association  
Wendy Kemp, Regional Municipality of York  
Ian Watson of Skelton Brumwell & Associates Inc

**Regrets**

Erin Mahoney  
Fred Ruf

David Ketcheson  
Wayne Wilson

Dianne Corrigan  
Ted Devine

**I. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS**

Welcome from Dave and Karen Ritchie to the Ritchie Family Farm.

Mayor Warnock of Township of Tay, welcomed Source Protection Committee (SPC) members and thanked members and staff for the work being put in to this process, especially on Earth Day.

Mayor Downer of Town of Midland welcomed the SPC members, thanking them for the meetings invitation and congratulated them on the work they are engaged in, and that he would be reporting back to the Council of Midland on the meeting's work.

Mayor Dubeau of the Town of Penetanguishene, thanked the SPC for the invitation and also for the initiation to attend SPC Technical Working Group (TWG) meeting of April 13, 2010. Mayor Dubeau expressed her appreciation for the work and effort of the committee and the TWG, particularly in addressing the issue of trichloroethylene (TCE) and that the town be kept advised of developments.

Councillor Claire of Tiny Township expressed the regrets of Mayor Breckenridge and Deputy Mayor Lawrence, and expressed appreciation for the work of the SPC.

Councillor Agnew of Township of Oro-Medonte, thanked the SPC for the invitation and emphasised the importance of the committee's work.

Mayor Hughes of Township of Oro-Medonte welcomed the committee and thanked them for their commitment to this important work.

Chair Dollin, thanked the respective Mayors for their welcome and their interest in the SPC's work. Chair Dollin acknowledged the guest speaker and all other guests for attending the meeting. Thanks were also expressed for the use of the facilities and catering at the Ritchie Family Farm and to SPC Member Clayton Cameron for providing the tour prior to the meeting, of the Coldwater Water Treatment Plant.

**II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

None for the record of this meeting.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Additional document tabled for Agenda Item 3.

Moved by: John Hemsted

Seconded by: Rick Newlove

RESOLVED: **THAT the agenda for the, April 22, 2010, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as presented.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

(a) Source Protection Committee

Suggested changes:

Page 2, Agenda Item VI. "composing" change to "composting"

Review of Action Items

1. Carry forward
2. Presentation at Agenda Item 3.
3. Completed

Moved by: Clayton Cameron

Seconded by: Colin Elliott

**RESOLVED: THAT the minutes of the March 25, 2010, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as printed and circulated.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

(b) Technical Working Group

SPC Technical Working Group (TWG) Chair Larry Slomka informed the group that the TWG had reviewed at three consecutive TWG meetings the group had discussed inclusion of Trichloroethylene (TCE) as a Water Quality Issue, and summarized some of the viewpoints expressed by TWG members regarding the topic.

Don Goodyear provided a presentation to the SPC on Dense Non Aqueous Phase Liquid's, and specifically TCE, why they are such a challenge in groundwater, and why they are explicitly addressed in the Technical Rules. There were two options summarized in the presentation, one to refer to the presence of TCE as a Water Quality Issue, and the other to note the presence of the chemical, but not to formally label it an "Issue" where effective treatment is in place.

The SPC considered at length the implications of the options brought forward. The MOE liaison confirmed that both options considered by the TWG were within the scope of the technical rules and the response should be based on a local decision. The SPC requested that the topic be referred back to the TWG for further discussion and refinement of the recommendation.

Moved by: Herb Proudly

Seconded by: Fred Ruf

**RESOLVED: THAT the minutes of March 23, 2010 and April 13, 2010, meeting of the Technical Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved.**

**MOTION DEFEATED**

The SPC members were encouraged to attend the next TWG to discuss the issue of Trichloroethylene, which will be raised at the next meeting on May 11, 2010, before it is returned to the SPC for discussion and decision.

Moved by: Gerry Brouwer

Seconded by: John Boucher

**RESOLVED: THAT the minutes of March 23, and April 13, 2010, meetings of the Technical Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained within the minutes be approved, with the exception of, Agenda Item 5. Briefing Note TWG-2010-020 concerning Trichloroethylene, And Further THAT April 13, 2010, Agenda Item 5. Briefing Note TWG-2010-020 concerning Trichloroethylene, be referred back to the Technical Working Group for further discussion.**

**CARRIED BY CONSENSUS**

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(a) Activities of the Chair & Committee

- Stephanie Hobbs attended the Lake Simcoe Protection Plan Update Information on recently released EBR's.
- Collin Elliot advised that the Central Lake Ontario Conservation Authority had posted their Assessment Report and will be holding an open house in the first week of May, which may be of interest.
- Chair Dollin and Don Goodyear will be attending the Chairs and Project Managers meetings in early May.

**VI. DELEGATIONS**

None for the record of this meeting.

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

(a) Ministry of Environment Update

Briefing update from Maeve McHugh, Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Liaison.

The SPC were advised that 14 Assessment Reports (AR) have been submitted in draft to the MOE, and two are at the consultation stage. The forthcoming Chair and Project Managers meeting in May will cover lessons learned by other SPC's.

The Source Protection Plan regulation remains in draft stage, and finalization is anticipated to be July 1, 2010.

(b) Source Water Protection: Agricultural Comments and Perspective  
Dave Ritchie introduced Chris Attema to the SPC.

Chris Attema spoke to the concerns of the agriculture sector with respect to the Assessment Reports and forthcoming Source Protection Plans.

Moved by: Alex Millar

Seconded by: John Hemsted

RESOLVED: **THAT the presentation from Chris Attema, Ontario Cattlemen's Association, on Ontario agricultural groups perspective on drinking water protection and the Clean Water Act, be received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

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

Agenda Items 1b and 3 identified.

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

Agenda Items 1a and 2 identified

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Herb Proudley

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 BY CONSENSUS

**X. CONSIDERATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION**

Agenda Item 1b

The Chair and MOE liaison addressed a question regarding Item f. "Additional Permissible Policies/Content" from the minutes of the SPC Chairs meeting of January 25, 26 2010. This reference was related to the ability of SPC's to include material around "Strategic Action" policies, which were not envisioned originally.

Moved by: Colin Nisbet

Seconded by: Herb Proudley

RESOLVED: **THAT the minutes of the SPC Chairs meeting of January 25, and January 26, 2010 are received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 3

Don Goodyear addressed Staff Report No. 2010-04-03-SPC and tabled Gantt chart, requesting SPC approval to apply to the MOE for an extension to the deadline the Assessment Reports. The reasons for the delay in completing the first round of the AR were summarized, along with the anticipated timelines for completion and the formal process involved in an extension request. The group emphasised the importance of completing accurate Assessment Reports and concurred with the rationale for an extension.

Moved by: Herb Proudley

Seconded by: Stan Wells

RESOLVED: **THAT Staff Report No. 2010-04-03-SPC regarding the completion and submission of Assessment Reports be received for information:  
AND FURTHER: THAT staff be directed to work with the Source protection Authorities in the region to formally request an extension from the Ministry of the Environment.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

Members were reminded that the Severn Sound Source Protection Authority meeting is April 29, 2010.

**XII. CLOSED SESSION**

None for the record of this meeting.

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Move to adjourn by Larry Slomka at 4:20pm