

**MINUTES**

Source Protection Committee Meeting No. SPC-011/2010  
Meeting No. 9  
Monte Carlo Inn Barrie Suites  
81 Hart Drive, Barrie, ON L4N 5M3  
Thursday November 25, 2010 – 2:00pm – 5:00pm

**MEMBERS:**

Lynn Dollin, Chair

**Municipal**

Herb Proudley  
Rick Newlove  
David Marquis  
Clayton Cameron  
David Ketcheson  
John Boucher  
Wendy Kemp (*for Erin Mahoney*)

**Economic / Development**

Colin Elliott  
John Hemsted  
Colin Nisbet  
David Ritchie  
Bob Duncanson  
Gerry Brouwer

**Public Sector**

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

**First Nations**

Fred Jahn

**Liaisons**

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

**Staff**

Don Goodyear  
Angela Bishop, minutes

Susan Jagminas

Katie Howson

**Guests**

Wayne Wilson, Nottawasaga Valley Conservation Authority  
Gayle Wood, Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority  
J Clark, Skelton Brumwell

**Regrets**

Stan Wells  
Chris Galway  
Erin Mahoney  
Ben Longstaff

***I. WELCOME & OPENING REMARKS***

Chair Dollin welcomed everyone to the meeting, and announced the birth of baby Brady Jackson Arthurs-Cuddy to LSRCA staff hydrogeologist Shelly Cuddy. The group was also presented with a picture of an old septic system in very poor repair, within an Intake Protection Zone (IPZ), replaced under the Ministry of the Environment (MOE) Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program, (ODWSP) which has also been

circulated to the Minister and the MOE. Chair welcomed the new MOE Liaison, Neil Gervais, who introduced himself to the group.

**II. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST**

No declaration of pecuniary interest for the record of this meeting.

**III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Larry Slomka

Agenda amendments:

Remove second "from" at agenda item 1a.

RESOLVED: **THAT the amended agenda for the, November 25, 2010, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as presented.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

(a) Source Protection Committee

Included is a copy of the draft minutes from the October 28, 2010, meeting of the Source Protection Committee (SPC).

Moved by: David Marquis

Seconded by: Clayton Cameron

RESOLVED: **THAT the amended minutes of the October 28, 2010, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as printed and circulated.**

CARRIED BY CONCENSUS

(b) Technical Working Group

Included is a copy of the draft minutes from the October 12, 2010, meeting of the SWP Technical Working Group.

Chair Slomka advised that the future role of the Technical Working Group (TWG) will change, and will become involved in reviewing technical information to assist the Planning and Policy Working Group (PPWG) in their support of the Source Protection Committee (SPC). The next meeting of the TWG will be January 11, 2011.

Moved by: Fred Ruf

Seconded by: John Hemsted

RESOLVED: **THAT the draft minutes of the October 12, 2010, meeting of the SPC Technical Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained with the minutes be approved.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

(c) Planning Working Group

Included is a copy of the draft minutes from the October 20, 2010, SPC Planning (& Policy) Working Group.

Suggested changes to draft minutes: inclusion of SPC member John Hemsted, and at agenda item 6, under Bundle 3: change “plans” to “plants”

Moved by: Bob Duncanson

Seconded by: Herb Proudley

**RESOLVED: THAT the amended draft minutes of the October 20, 2010, meeting of the SPC Planning (& Policy) Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained with the minutes be approved.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

(d) Communications Working Group

Included is a copy of the minutes from the June 3, 2010 and a copy of the draft minutes from the November 3, 2010 SPC Communications Working Group (CWG) meetings.

Suggested changes to the draft minutes at agenda item V111. Change “councilors” to “councillors”

Susan Jagminas informed the group that the Communications Working Group (CWG), is working on a new letter to landowners informing them of the start of the Source Protection Planning by the SPC, as required under MOE regulations. The CWG agreed to a workshop on Source Water Protection to be arranged for newly elected councillors to attend. The SPC's advice was sought concerning the winning quilts from the Simcoe County Quilters Guild competition. It was agreed that the Quilter's Guild should be consulted for recommendations and that the entries could be displayed at the respective watershed offices.

Action 1:	Data demonstrating the actual numbers of persons attending the public consultation open houses to be included in the minutes of the Communications Working Group minutes.
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Responsibility:	Susan Jagminas.
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Concerning the letters to landowners within vulnerable areas, the group was asked to advise which areas should receive the letter. The group will defer the decision until the new year. The MOE Liaison advised that there is no fixed time scale to release the letters; it is dependent on the group being ready to discuss details of the plans.

Moved by: David Marquis

Seconded by: Gerry Brouwer

**RESOLVED: THAT the minutes from the June 3, 2010 SPC Communications Working Group be received for information and the recommendations contained with the minutes be approved.**

**FURTHER THAT the draft minutes from the November 3, 2010 SPC Communications Working Group be received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**V. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

(a) Activities of the Chair & Committee

- Bob Duncanson advised that on November 13, 2010, he attended the Rural Source Water Protection meeting in Dufferin County, who are particularly interested in encouraging the replacement of aged septic systems.
- Bob Duncanson also advised that he had taken part in a Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) teleconference, involving the Regional Municipality of York, discussing inter-basin transfers. The meeting also discussed the issue of the building codes to recognise conservation standards.
- Rick Newlove advised on an MOE letter concerning the phosphorous loading in Lake Simcoe and climate change.
- Herb Proudley enquired about a newspaper article discussing the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP) funding, and whether the SPC could be made aware of programs.

Action 2:	MOE Liaison will enquire and advise the SPC on ODWSP on direct submission funding initiatives within the SPC region.
Responsibility:	Neil Gervais
Action 3:	Forward via email to SPC members and put on web site copy of slide deck presentation from SPC Planning Training of November 9, 2010, by Debbie Scanlon, MOE.
Responsibility:	Staff

- Chair Dollin, and Don Goodyear presented to the County of Simcoe's planners.
- Chair Dollin, John Hemsted, and Herb Proudley presented to the Severn Sound Environmental Association's Source Protection Authority, the draft Assessment Report (AR), this day, (November 25, 2010), which was endorsed by the SPA.

(b) Agricultural Sector Update to the SPC

- David Ritchie advised the group that he brought copies of the Better Farming magazine to the meeting, which included an article on municipal spills records.
- John Hemsted attended the Simcoe County Federation meeting.

**VI. DELEGATIONS**

None for the record of this meeting.

**VII. PRESENTATIONS**

(a) Ministry of Environment Update

Briefing update from Neil Gervais, Ministry of the Environment Liaison.

- MOE Director, Ian Smith, approved the alternative methods application, for ground water vulnerability.

- The MOE are developing an updated list of bulletins for planning guidance on prescribed instruments, expected in January 2011.
- MOE risk management catalogue update is still in progress.

Action 4:	Circulate link to risk catalogue to SPC members
Responsibility:	Staff

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

Agenda items identified: 2, 3, 4, 5.

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

Agenda items identified: 1.

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by Larry Slomka

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 2 - Communications Update

Attached is Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-02 regarding the media coverage, outreach activities, as well as the activity on the [www.ourwatershed.ca](http://www.ourwatershed.ca) web site, for the period of August 1, 2010, to October 31, 2010 inclusive.

The question of an SPC mission statement was raised and group advised that a mission statement was created with the development of the Terms of Reference Report.

Moved by: Colin Nisbet

Seconded by: Gerry Brouwer

RESOLVED: **THAT Staff Report No. 2010-11-02-SPC describing media and other communications activities surrounding Source Water Protection for the period August 1, 2010, ending October 31, 2010, be received for information.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 3 - Provincial Planning Advisory Committee

Attached is Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-03 regarding Participation in the Conservation Ontario province-wide working groups, relative to Source Protection Plan development.

The group discussed the amount of direction the MOE would provide, and the issue of variances between municipalities, especially where watersheds are shared, the PPAC hope to minimise differences. Within the 21 prescribed threats, the group is able to make higher law than provincial level in their protection plans, but not at federal. Municipalities are

obliged to enforce these regulations. The policies aims are to mitigate current threats and prevent future threats. The group will develop policies around threats, addressing the most significant ones before turning attention to moderate, and low threats. Currently water quantity threats cannot be addressed in this round of the Assessment Report due to time restrictions, and the need to establish Tier 3 reviews.

As previously advised, Conservation Ontario has initiated the Provincial Source Protection Planning Advisory Committee, which has now progressed to setting up SPP Working Groups that SPC members can be nominated to take part in. The group elected the following members for the respective working groups

SPP Waste Working Group

Nominated: Larry Slomka

Moved by: David Ritchie

Seconded by: David Marquis

SPP Agriculture Working Group

Nominated: Colin Elliot

Moved by: John Hemsted

Seconded by: David Marquis

SPP Transportation/Fuel/Solvents Working Group

Nominated: David Ketcheson

Moved by: Dianne Corrigan

Seconded by: Gerry Brouwer

SPP Policy Development Working Group

Nominated: Tom Kurtz

Moved by: Alex Millar

Seconded by: Colin Nisbet

Moved by: Gerry Brouwer

Seconded by: Colin Elliott

**RESOLVED: THAT staff report SPC-11-2010-03 be received for information AND FURTHER THAT the Source Protection Committee select one delegate to represent the local region on each of these working groups.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 4 - Planning and Policy Working Group Update

Attached is Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-04 and accompanying presentation, regarding an update on the Planning & Policy Working Group and endorsement of evaluation criteria.

Don Goodyear provided the group with an update on the Planning & Policy Working Group (PPWG) developments and the group's role established by the SPC through the Terms of Reference mandate. The presentation covered both short, and long term deliverables, achievements to-date and current items under discussion and future plans.

The group discussed concerns that non-PPWG SPC members, were not in touch with the workings of the PPWG and able to understand the rationale behind decisions. It was agreed that members would be informed of all meetings and receive all documentation pertaining to such meetings, and further that it would be a standing agenda item.

Action 5:	PPWG decisions become a standing item of the SPC monthly agenda.
Responsibility:	Angela Bishop

The PPWG and SPC meetings will be held on the same day. The SPC meeting will retain current meeting arrangements to assist members' attendance at SPC meetings.

Moved by: Fred Jahn

Seconded by: John Hemsted

**RESOLVED : THAT Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-4 be received for information AND FURTHER THAT the Source Protection Committee endorse the Source Protection Planning option evaluation criteria.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 5 - Submission of Proposed Assessment Report and review comments to the Province

Attached is Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-05 regarding Phase 2 consultation of the Proposed Assessment Report, SPA recommendation for the Proposed Assessment Report and decommissioning of wells in Adjala-Tosorontio (Colgan).

Don Goodyear presented on the Proposed Assessment Report following the second consultation period, seeking ratification from the SPC, and the three watershed Source Protection Authorities, and advised on the next steps in submission. It is generally anticipated that the decision on the AR from the MOE will be May or June 2011.

Moved by: Alex Millar

Seconded by: John Hemsted

**RESOLVED: THAT Staff Report No. SPC-11-2010-05 be received for information AND FURTHER THAT the Proposed Assessment Report and all comments be approved for submission to the Province by the Source Protection Authorities AND FURTHER THAT the proposed letter be submitted to the province advising the course of action and progress for removal of Colgan wells PW1, PW2, and TW#3/97 from the terms of Reference due to recent decommissioning.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

**XI. OTHER BUSINESS**

Date of the next joint SPC meeting January 27, 2011

**XII. CLOSED SESSION**

None for the record of this meeting

**XIII. ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by David Ketcheson at 5:10 pm