

III. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Tabled Document :

New Agenda Item 1d Correspondence:

Letter from Chair Dollin, South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Region, to Orna Salamon, Ministry of the Environment (MOE), dated August 24, 2012, concerning the slow progress in regulations for the inclusion of Rama First Nation into the Source Protection Program for this region.

Agenda Order Amendment:

Agenda Item 3 brought forward to follow Agenda Item VII (a)

Moved by: Alex Millar

Seconded by: John Hemsted

RESOLVED: THAT the amended agenda for the August 23, 2012, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as amended.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

IV. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

(a) Source Protection Committee

Included is a copy of the draft minutes from the July 26, 2012, meeting of the Source Protection Committee (SPC).

All action items completed. Action Item 5 was discussed and it was confirmed that a uniform process of review and approval would now be followed for all future information/fact sheets. This process would occur through use of the appropriate SPC working groups such as technical workgroup and communications workgroup.

Moved by: Herb Proudley

Seconded by: Clayton Cameron

RECOMMENDED: THAT the minutes of the July 26, 2012, meeting of the Source Protection Committee be approved as printed and circulated.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

(b) ODWSP Early Response Review Committee

Included is a copy of the minutes of the ODWSP Early Response Review Committee dated July 17, 2012.

ODWSP Early Response Review Committee Chair Alex Millar advised of discussions at the July 17, 2012 meeting, concerning a clerical error at one of the municipalities who circulated information on funding to residents that are outside the eligible area. Staff advised that the municipality has been contacted to help ensure the error does not occur again.

The SPC was advised of a motion to turn down a retro-active application related to a fertilizer application project. The group discussed at some length the merits of the application and the circumstances as to why it was turned down. A motion was put forward.

Moved by: Colin Elliott

Seconded by: Fred Ruf

RESOLVED: That the Source Protection Committee overturn the resolution of the ODWSP Early Review Committee meeting of August 15, 2012, to disallow retro-active fertilizer application project funding

DEFEATED BY CONSENSUS

The minutes concerning the July 17, 2012, ODSWP Early Response Review Committee were received without further comments. The minutes of the August 15, 2012, ODWSP Early Review Committee meeting will be available for the next SPC meeting.

Moved by: Rick Newlove

Seconded by: Fred Ruf

RESOLVED: THAT the minutes of the July 17, 2012, ODWSP Early Response Review Committee be received for information and the recommendations contained with the minutes be approved.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

(a) Activities of the Chair & Committee

- Chair Dollin advised of the teleconference with Mr. & Mrs. Phelps, the MOE, SPC Chair, and staff, which was productive. Minutes of the conference call are in production. Chair Dollin advised the committee of her offer to meet with any landowners who have concerns about past changes to vulnerability score.
- Chair Dollin presented at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario on source water protection. Stan Wells and David Ritchie were also in attendance at the conference, and commended Chair Dollin on her presentation.

(b) Agricultural Sector Update to the SPC

- John Hemsted and Colin Elliot presented, with OMFRA, to the CTC source protection committee to explain respective positions on farming and source water protection.

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.

The group was advised that the MOE are still working towards inclusion of Rama First Nation into the source protection program. The MOE are aware that the correspondence (noted as tabled agenda item 1d) is in process. Chair added that Fred Jahn has been kept informed of the efforts of the MOE Liaison on this important matter.

As noted at Agenda Item V (a), concerned landowners took part in a conference call with MOE, SPC Chair and staff. SPC concurred with the Chair's offer for a potential further meeting with landowners if required. The Chair noted that the Mayors of Tiny Township and Town of Penetanguishene have also expressed interest in attending.

As of August 13, 2012, a total of 15 Proposed Source Protection Plans have been submitted to the MOE for approval. The remaining four regions, including this region, have received extensions, with source protection plans to be delivered by the respective extended submission deadlines. The MOE is working with this region's staff on minor comments concerning the preparation of the Proposed Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document.

The MOE recently circulated information on Part IV Powers, and property entry training to be offered in October (property entry training) and November (Part IV powers training).

Concerning questions on municipal council resolutions, that will not be held within the Proposed SPP consultation period. It is confirmed that council resolutions will be accepted after the Proposed SPP has been submitted to the Province. Municipalities must provide the information to the SPA, who will forward it to the Province.

In general, where SPC's are aware of new systems, wells or intakes, that will require additional technical work and planning, it will be necessary for this work to wait until a future round of source protection planning. However, outlining the knowledge of such systems / wells / intakes in the transmittal letter that accompanies the SPP sub mission package would greatly assist the Minister. In addition if SPC's are aware of systems / wells / intakes that will be decommissioned in the near future, but are included in the current AR and SPP, this information could also be included in the transmittal letter.

In response to a question on new protocols on animal farms and municipal sighting of wells, it was confirmed that there are no changes, and is out of scope.

Moved by: Larry Slomka

Seconded by: John Hemsted

RESOLVED: THAT the presentation from Neil Gervais, Ministry of the Environment be received for information.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

3. Source Protection Plan Second Consultation

Agenda Item 3: Staff Report No. SPC-2012-08-03, (brought forward), regarding the Source Protection Plan, of the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee, and endorsement of the Proposed Source Protection Plan and the commencement of the Second Round Formal Consultation of the Proposed Source Protection Plan.

The group was presented with a high level overview of the documents, a summary of key changes to the Proposed Source Protection Plan (SPP), and how Formal Consultation Comments were addressed. The group then moved on to discuss in detail outstanding policy items.

Education & Outreach Timeline for Conformity

The group debated on the merits of the policy timelines and if Education & Outreach (E&O) should be started within three years rather than five years, in light of funding availability, cost effectiveness and water protection. The group agreed that E&O should be started within three years.

Salt Application Issues Contributing Area SALT (App) – 1-RMP

The group debated at great length and gave serious consideration to comments received from the City of Barrie on Salt Application. The practical ability to implement the policy, work levels for Risk Management Officials (RMO) in relation to the number of potential significant threat, different contributory factors to the salt issue, including road salt application. The group also discussed soft tool option such as education and outreach would still carry the strength of a must conform, that salt management plans are already established in Barrie, and the health issues attributed to salt.

The group discussed the issue for over 35 minutes and gave serious consideration to the options available, and that there is opportunity to comment to the Minister of the Environment in the second round of consultation.

The group vote, carried by consensus, agreed to retain the current policy on Salt Application Issues Contributing Area.

Action 1	City of Barrie staff to be advised of the decision of the SPC concerning Salt Application Issues Contributing Area SALT (App) – 1-RMP.
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Responsibility	Staff
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FUEL-1RMP

The group discussed residential property exemption, from the risk management plan (RMP), including consistency with neighbouring source protection regions (SPR). York Region estimate over 100 residences would be impacted in their municipality. Redundancy of including residential properties was discussed in the context of property owners already having to prove compliance of their fuel storage tank for insurance purposes and to receive fuel.

The group decided that a risk management plan for homeowners will be required, unless the home owner provides the RMO with documentation showing that the tank is certified, and up to an acceptable standard.

EDU 10-MTO

The group discussed the merits of the respective policy wording and decided to retain the original policy wording.

Nitrate Issues Contributing Areas

The group discussed this policy at some length in response to comments received but it was decided by the group majority to retain the current policy.

The decisions of the discussions will be reflected in the Proposed Source Protection Plan. Chair thanked staff for their input.

Moved by: Fred Jahn

Seconded by: Larry Slomka

RESOLVED:

THAT the amended Staff Report No. SPC-2012-08-03, as per discussion of this meeting regarding the Proposed Source Protection Plan of the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee be received for information.

AND FURTHER that the South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee endorse the Proposed Source Protection Plan as being at a standard suitable for proceeding with Second Round Formal Consultation AND FURTHER that staff be instructed to commence with the Second Round Formal Consultation process.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

VII (b) Implementation Workshop Feedback

Deferred agenda item from SPC meeting of July 26, 2012. Presentation from Ben Longstaff on the Implementation Guide, and on Resourcing and Capacity.

RECOMMENDED: **THAT the presentation from Ben Longstaff, on Implementation Guide, and on Resourcing and Capacity be received for information.**

DEFERRED

(c) Part IV Administration and Personnel

Deferred agenda item from SPC meeting of July 26, 2012. Presentation from Katie Howson on Part IV Powers.

RECOMMENDED: **THAT the presentation from Katie Howson on Part IV Powers, be received for information.**

DEFERRED

(d) Presentation on EBR on the Great Lakes and Comments

Ben Longstaff presented to the group on the EBR's 011-6461 and 011-6418 concerning the Great Lakes and Comments received from SPC members. Minor changes were suggested by the group.

Moved by: John Hemsted

Seconded by: Rick Newlove

RESOLVED: **THAT the presentation from Ben Longstaff on EBR's 011-6461 and 011-6418 on the Great Lakes be received for information AND FURTHER THAT staff be instructed to format response to the EBR's 011-6461 and 011-6418 based on input received from SPC members.**

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

VIII. DETERMINATION OF ITEMS REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION(Pages 4)

Agenda Item 1(d) - Correspondence

Agenda Item 2 -Communications Update

Agenda Item 3 - Staff Report No. SPC-2012-08-03

IX. ADOPTION OF ITEMS NOT REQUIRING SEPARATE DISCUSSION

Agenda Items 1 (a-c) Correspondence identified

Moved by: Wendy Kemp

Seconded by: Dianne Corrigan

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 1(d) Correspondence

The group gave approval to the proposed Chair's letter to the MOE and expressed concern at the slow progress.

Chair is asked to draft a further separate letter to the MOE concerning the requests for funding confirmation, with a view to the inclusion of First Nation Chippewas (Beasusoleil) of Christian Island, and First Nation Chippewas of Georgina, whom the group are pleased to embrace into the source protection process.

Action 2	Draft letter to the MOE requesting confirmation on funding with respect to First Nation Chippewas (Beasusoleil) of Christian Island and First Nation Chippewas of Georgina.
Responsibility	Chair/Staff

Moved by: Clayton Cameron

Seconded by Herb Proudley

RESOLVED: THAT the correspondence listed in the August 23, 2012, agenda as Item 1d, be received for information.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

Agenda Item 2

Staff Report No. SPC-2012-07-02, deferred agenda item from SPC meeting of July 26, 2012, and SPC 2012-08-02 regarding the media coverage, communication activities, as well as the activity on the www.ourwatershed.ca web site for the period ending July 31, 2012.

It was noted with interest that similar issues in news articles, are also in other source protection regions.

Moved by: Larry Slomka

Seconded by: John Hemsted

RESOLVED: THAT Staff Report No. SPC-2012-07-02 and SPC-2012-08-02 describing media and other communications activities surrounding Source Water Protection for the period ending July 31, 2012 be received for information.

CARRIED BY CONSENSUS

XI. OTHER BUSINESS

Date of next meeting

The group was advised that the SPC meeting of September 28, 2012 is cancelled. The next meeting will be October 15, 2012.

Mitigation of Pathogens – Grazing and Pasturing

The issue of pathogens in grazing was raised, however Chair advised that the regulations within the Table of Circumstances cannot be changed by this committee. It was suggested that it could be raised as a matter for review by the Minister of the Environment at a later date.

Proposed Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document Distribution

The group was advised that on revision of the Proposed Source Protection Plan and Explanatory Document Distribution, following this meeting, that hard copies and CD would be distributed on Monday August, 27, 2012 to all First Nations and municipalities within the region, provincial government, all other implementing bodies and project managers of neighbouring Regions. The website www.ourwatershed.ca would also be updated. Copies of the afore said documents will also be distributed to all group members and liaisons.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

None for the record of this meeting.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting moved by Stan Wells at 5:20 pm