



## **SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE**

### **MINUTES – MEETING #13**

**MEETING:** SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

**DATE:** FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2009

**TIME:** 9:30 A.M.

**LOCATION:** GREY COUNTY COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
OWEN SOUND, ONTARIO

#### **CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Mike Traynor called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

**In Attendance:** Chair, Mike Traynor  
David Biesenthal, Lou D’Alessandro, Robert Emerson, Howard Greig,  
Mark Kraemer, Brent Lanktree, Les MacKinnon, Les Nichols, Dale  
Thompson, Bill Twaddle, Brad McRoberts

**Others Present:** Teresa McLellan, Ex-officio member, Ministry of the Environment  
Bob Graham, Ex-officio member, Grey-Bruce Health Unit  
Don Smith, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP)  
Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

**Also in Attendance:** Jim Coffey, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Saugeen Conservation  
John Ritchie, Drinking Water Program Supervisor, MOE, Owen Sound  
David Ellingwood, Communications Specialist, DWSP  
Karen Gillan, Education Specialist, DWSP  
Emily Vandermeulen, GIS Technician, DWSP  
Steady Cook, Outreach Specialist, DWSP  
Brian Luinstra, Hydrogeologist

**Regrets:** Sandy Gott, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Mitch Twolan, Mark Kraemer,

The Chair introduced and welcomed the Warden of Grey County, Kevin Eccles; Jim Coffey, General Manager and Secretary-Treasurer for the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority; and John Ritchie of the local office of the MOE. Warden Eccles was invited to address the meeting and welcomed the Committee to the County offices and thanked the Committee for the work it is undertaking in the County.

**1. Adoption of Agenda**

**Motion No.  
SPC-09-55**

**Moved by Robert Emerson  
Seconded by Dale Thompson**

**THAT the Agenda be adopted as amended.**

**Carried**

**2. Declaration of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest**

Committee members were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at this time.

**Community Profile**

A community profile presentation of Grey County was given by the Communications Specialist including details of the water treatment plants and intakes, local personalities, and area highlights and features unique to the County.

**3. Adoption of Minutes**

**Motion No.  
SPC-09-56**

**Moved by Les Nichols  
Seconded by Brad McRoberts**

**THAT the Minutes of the January 23, 2009 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.**

**Carried**

**4. Matters Arising from the Minutes**

**Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP) Consultation**

The Outreach Specialist reviewed Report 4a and advised that the MOE has requested feedback on the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program. Public consultation sessions will be held at the Saugeen Valley Conservation Resource Centre on Tuesday, March 10, 2009, The Propeller Club in Wiarton on Wednesday, March 11, 2009 and the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration offices on Thursday, March 12, 2009. Committee members are welcome to attend and encouraged to advise the Outreach Specialist if they plan to attend.

## Terms of Reference

The Project Manager advised that he has discussed the Proposed Terms of Reference with the Director and as of the date of this meeting, there was no new information respecting the approval of the Terms of Reference. He is expecting some direction with respect to amending the compensation wording. The Project Manager expects this matter will be covered at the next Committee meeting and the time frames for making changes will be specified. The MOE ex-officio advised that the Proposed Terms of Reference are with the Minister waiting for a decision respecting compensation. If there are changes to the Proposed Terms of Reference, the amendments must be presented to the three Source Protection Authorities and every effort will be made to process this as expeditiously as possible.

### **5. Correspondence**

A list was distributed prior to the meeting setting out the municipalities which have passed resolutions endorsing the new 2-year time-of-travel zone for the Stewardship Program and which municipalities have not. Committee member Bill Twaddle explained that his position on the Committee is not an appointment by the City of Owen Sound and apologized for the misunderstanding.

Letter from Georgian Bluffs dated January 22, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new 2-year time-of-travel zone (TOT2) for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Huron-Kinloss dated January 26, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Arran-Elderslie dated January 27, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Chatsworth dated January 28, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from South Bruce dated January 28, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Owen Sound dated January 29, 2009 respecting the appointment of Bill Twaddle to Source Protection Committee was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Kincardine dated January 30, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Owen Sound dated February 4, 2009 correcting its previous letter respecting the Twaddle appointment was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Saugeen Shores dated February 11, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Brockton dated February 23, 2009 advising of the passing of a resolution endorsing the new TOT2 for the Stewardship Program was **noted and filed**.

## **6. Reports**

### Program Report

The Project Manager reviewed the Drinking Water Source Protection Program Report 6a which covers numerous projects carried out by DWSP staff. The Project Manager advised that he expected the newly-hired Technical Supervisor, Thorsten Arnold, to start work on Monday, March 2, 2009. He also advised that he received positive feedback on our interpretation of the Director's Rules at a meeting with the Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR) and the MOE and that we are in a good position to start work on the Assessment Report. The Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program has received some additional funding for the administration of the Program. A decision respecting funding for the "Be A Water Steward" program is being withheld until the next round of reviews and our application will be compared to other applications. Consultants have been contracted to complete the karst studies. The Brockton nitrogen assessment results will be reported later in the meeting. No dates have been set for training respecting threats. All Staff has now received training and certification on entering private property

### Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Report

The Outreach Specialist reviewed Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP) Report 6b and advised that numerous letters have been received from the municipalities in the Region endorsing the revised 2-year time-of-travel zoning and as a result, ODWSP is expecting an increase in applications for funding under the Program. The types of projects available to the public for eligible funding are: Well Decommissioning & Upgrading; Septic System Inspections & Upgrades; and Pollution Prevention Reviews. Project types which will be available for eligible funding in the future are: Runoff & Erosion Protection and Additional Best Management Practices; Land Conservation Measures; and Fuel Storage Management Practices, which are expected in mid- to late-April, 2009.

### Communications

The Communications Specialist reviewed Communications Report 6c and advised that he is working on two new publications: a placemat that will be distributed to eating places within the Region; and a colour tabloid, which will be distributed as a flyer to households in the Region. The DWSP newsletter, "Profile" is an ongoing project which is distributed bi-monthly. The Bruce County Museum in Southampton, Ontario is displaying part of the exhibit used at the International Plowing Match in Teeswater and the Communications Specialist plans to discuss a display with Grey Roots Museum & Archives.

**The Committee took a break from 10:25 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.**

## **7. New Business**

### Nutrient Management Presentation

Committee member, Les Nichols, facilitated a powerpoint presentation on nutrient management followed by a question and answer discussion.

### Assessment Report Update

The Project Manager reviewed Assessment Report Update 7b and advised that the timeline chart distributed at the meeting would be amended based on the approval date of the Proposed Terms of Reference, which is anticipated on May 1, 2009. The goal is to get the majority of the technical work completed by the end of May or early June, 2009. It is expected that the Tier 3 Water Budgets will not be completed on schedule. DWSP Staff will compile the technical work and present the draft Assessment Report to the SPC by December 2009. Pre-consultation sessions on the draft Assessment Report will take place in the Spring and Fall of 2009, with official consultations starting in January 2010. The Table of Contents for the Assessment Report will be updated for each SPC meeting as work is completed. SPC members are encouraged to participate in the consultation process.

## **8. Other Business**

### Walkerton Wellhead Nitrogen Assessment

Hydrogeologist consultant, Brian Luinstra, facilitated a powerpoint report on the Walkerton wellhead nitrogen assessment prepared by the consultant, Crop/Quest Inc., followed by a question and answer discussion.

**The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:10 a.m. and reconvened at 1:05 p.m.**

### “Showcase Clean Water: Blue Thinks Green”

The Outreach Specialist had an opportunity to interview the environmental specialist at The Blue Mountain Resort, Lindsay Ayers, and debuted a video for the Committee respecting water stewardship at the Resort followed by a question and answer period.

### Communications Matrix

The Committee participated in an exercise in communicating source water protection information led by the Communications Specialist.

Other Business

The Project Manager advised that the Agricultural & Rural Working Group is meeting on March 9, 2009 and the Planning Officials Working Group is meeting on March 13, 2009.

Committee members were asked to advise the Outreach Specialist if they plan to attend any of the ODWSP consultation sessions on March 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> or 12<sup>th</sup>.

The Education Specialist is planning to attend the “Roots of Bruce” festival in Walkerton on April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> and may be involved in the Mid-Western Agri-Fair in Chesley on April 7<sup>th</sup>.

**9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment**

The Project Manager advised that a tour is being planned of the deep geologic repository facilities at the Bruce Power site followed by a business meeting on March 27, 2009. Details of this tour and meeting will be forthcoming when arrangements are complete.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

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Mike Traynor  
Chair

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Nancy Guest  
Recording Secretary