

# SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

### MINUTES – MEETING #28

MEETING: SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

**DATE:** JUNE 25, 2010

TIME: 9:30 A.M.

LOCATION: SAUBLE BEACH COMMUNITY CENTRE, SAUBLE BEACH ON

#### CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Traynor called the meeting to order at 9:36 a.m.

In Attendance: Chair, Mike Traynor

David Biesenthal, Lou D'Alessandro, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Kathie Hughes, Mark Kraemer, Brent Lanktree, Les MacKinnon, Les Nichols, Carolyn Parker, Bill Twaddle, Mitch Twolan

Others Present: Don Smith, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP)

Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

Also in Attendance: John Cottrill, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation

David Ellingwood, Program Supervisor, DWSP Thorsten Arnold, Technical Supervisor, DWSP

Brian Luinstra, Hydrogeologist, DWSP

Sara Pickard, Water Quality Technician, DWSP

Elly Ward, Outreach Specialist, DWSP Karen Gillan, Education Specialist, DWSP Emily Vandermeulen, GIS Specialist, DWSP

Matthew Hurley, Water Quality Technician Assistant, DWSP

John Ritchie, MOE, Owen Sound Office

Regrets: Ken Furlong

The Chair introduced and welcomed Mr. Mark Wunderlich, Councillor of Ward 3 for the Town of South Bruce Peninsula.

Mr. Wunderlich extended his greetings to the Committee from his Municipality, which includes the communities of Wiarton, Hepworth, Sauble Beach, Oliphant, Mar, Red Bay and Chesley Lake, as well as the former Townships of Amabel and Albemarle. He expressed his appreciation

for the significant and important work being done by the Committee and wished the Committee good luck in its endeavours.

### 1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. Moved by Les Nichols SPC-10-108 Seconded by Bruce Davidson

THAT the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

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.

# 3. Adoption of Minutes

Motion No. Moved by Carolyn Day SPC-10-109 Seconded by Robert Emerson

THAT the Minutes of the May 28, 2010 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

The Program Supervisor presented a Community Profile of the Town of South Bruce Peninsula showing the various wells in the municipality, as well as the geography of the area and other interesting facts.

### 4. <u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u>

### Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Early Response Program

The Program Supervisor advised that the Draft Proposed Assessment Report must be submitted before an application for funding may be submitted to the Ministry of the Environment. An Early Actions grant was received in 2008 and additional funds were applied for in 2009. The Early Actions program is coming to an end and funds are almost depleted. The lead Source Protection Authority (SPA) has until September 30, 2010 to submit an application for funding under the Early Response program. If funding is approved, funds may be available by January 2011. The Early Response program will end at the end of December 2012. A threat must be identified in the Assessment Report for a project to be considered for funding. The Early Response program will deal with significant drinking water threats. A draft of the funding application has been reviewed by Staff. A requirement of the application is a prioritized list of significant threats and an estimate of the number of projects that may be completed, the expected costs of those projects

and staffing, outreach and delivery costs. \$7,000,000 is available across the province per year, of which \$5,000,000 will be used for the program.

Dale Thompson arrived at 10:02 a.m.

Teresa McLellan arrived at 10:07 a.m.

Robert Reid arrived at 10:40 a.m.

There was much discussion regarding prioritizing significant threats and the manner in which grants are approved.

#### The Committee took a break from 11:05 a.m. to 11:15 a.m.

The Committee reconvened and, while awaiting word from the MOE liaison respecting the Early Response program, continued with other sections of the Agenda.

# 5. Correspondence

Letter from the Municipality of Brockton dated June 11, 2010 respecting the re-delineated wellhead protection area (WHPA) was **noted and filed.** 

Letter from Mr. Ian Smith, Director, Source Protection Programs Branch, Ministry of the Environment dated June 22, 2010 respecting amendments to O. Reg. 287/07 was **noted and filed.** 

# 6. Reports

### **Administration Report**

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6a and advised that, according to the Assessment Report timeline, the Proposed Assessment Report would be completed on or about July 6, 2010. The Proposed Assessment Report would then be published on the website and in newspapers, and sent to the upper- and lower-tier municipalities in the Region, as well as the two First Nation communities. The Proposed Assessment Report will be presented to the three Source Protection Authorities in the Region after its completion.

# 4. <u>Matters Arising from the Minutes</u>

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Early Response Program

The MOE liaison advised that the MOE prefers to have priorities set at a local level for this round of funding. Funding will be limited to the list of threats submitted in the application.

Motion No. SPC-10-110

Moved by Mark Kraemer Seconded by Les Nichols THAT the Source Protection Committee delete the words "top five" from the recommendation and list all threats.

**AMENDMENT** 

Moved by Mark Kraemer Seconded by (none)

THAT the Source Protection Committee has no comment on Early Response and is unable to make a recommendation.

The Outreach Specialist advised that the requirements of applying for funding include prioritizing significant threats. The Chair called for the reading of the motion.

Motion No. SPC-10-110

Moved by Mark Kraemer Seconded by (none)

THAT the Source Protection Committee has reviewed the recommendation of the Technical Review Committee and is not prepared to make a recommendation respecting the prioritization of threats and requests the Technical Review Committee to consider the comments of the Source Protection Committee and make recommendations to the Source Protection Committee at the July 23, 2010 Source Protection Committee meeting based on statistics.

Committee member Kraemer advised that he was withdrawing his motion. Committee member Kraemer advised that he was amending his motion.

Amended Motion No. SPC-10-110

Moved by Mark Kraemer Seconded by Les Nichols

THAT the Source Protection Committee defers its decision on the recommendation made by the Technical Review Committee respecting prioritizing significant threats until statistical data is provided at the July 23, 2010 Source Protection Committee meeting.

Carried

#### 6. Reports

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program

The Outreach Specialist, reviewed Report 6b and advised that funding for septic and well decommissioning was getting low as the Early Actions program winds down. New applicants are being advised that funding may be conditional upon ineligibility of existing applications.

#### Communications

The Program Supervisor reviewed Report 6c and advised that he and the Communications Specialist attended a meeting at Conservation Ontario in June 2010 respecting consultation on Assessment Reports and communication issues relative to the Source Protection Plan. A Best Management Practices farm tour is being planned by the Georgian Central Soil and Crop Association for August 25, 2010 and organizer, Les Nichols, advised that anyone interested is welcome to attend.

# Walkerton 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

The Education Specialist reviewed Report 6d and advised that the event was a success and was well-attended. Committee member, Bruce Davidson, advised that the Walkerton to Haiti project raised enough money for a well and washroom and the anniversary projects were well-received.

### The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:20 p.m. and reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

Robert Emerson excused himself from the meeting.

The Committee reconvened after lunch to address the additional recommendations contained in Report 4a.

### 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Early Response Program

Motion No. SPC-10-111

Moved by Brent Lanktree Seconded by Dale Thompson

THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region recommends to the lead Source Protection Authority that the Early Actions Technical Review Committee be expanded for the Early Response program to become the Early Response Technical Review Committee. The composition of the committee will include the following members:

- SPC Representative currently filled by Brent Lanktree, Chair
- SPC Municipal Representative additional member currently vacant
- Lead Conservation Authority (SVCA) Representative currently filled by Jo-Anne Harbinson
- Septic System Sector Representative currently filled by Robert Graham
- Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association Representative additional member currently vacant
- Chemical Sector Representative additional member currently vacant
- Grey Sauble Conservation Authority Representative possible additional member currently vacant

and further,

THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region recommends that the Source Protection Committee Representative positions on the Early Response Technical Review Committee be filled by Lou D'Alessandro and Bill Twaddle.

#### Carried

#### 6. Reports

<u>Draft Proposed Assessment Report Consultation Results</u>

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6d and advised that a summary of the comments received respecting the Draft Proposed Assessment Report was attached to Report 6d with a list of Staff responses and/or actions to these comments. The majority of comments have been dealt with by Staff. The second intake in Wiarton in the Town of South Bruce Peninsula will be considered a data gap and will be included in the updated Assessment Report in the summer of 2011. The IPZ-2 at Ruhl Lake was changed to a 120 metre setback, which reduced the area and the number of significant threats. The IPZ-3 process may address threats on surface water intakes. Staff is awaiting guidance from the government respecting cemeteries being considered a threat.

#### 7. New Business

#### Proposed Assessment Report

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7a and advised that work is being completed on the Assessment Report pursuant to comments received. The Proposed Assessment Report is expected to be completed on or around July 6, 2010. The Project Manager asked the Source Protection Committee to approve the Proposed Assessment Report so that the next round of consultation can commence.

Motion No. SPC-10-112

Moved by Les MacKinnon Seconded by Bill Twaddle

THAT the Source Protection Committee approve the Proposed Assessment Report documents for the Saugeen Valley Source Protection Authority, the Grey Sauble Source Protection Authority and the Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Authority pending the implementation of suggested changes based on comments received during the Draft Proposed Assessment Report consultation process; and further,

THAT Staff be directed to circulate the Proposed Assessment Reports as required by Ontario Regulation 287/07.

Carried

### Risk Management Measures Catalogue

The Project Manager advised that the Risk Management Measures catalogue is a work-inprogress and encouraged Committee members to review it before it is finalized. The MOE liaison asked Committee members to advise her of any errors they may encounter.

#### 8. Other Business

Committee member, Mitch Twolan, advised that he recently attended the Great Lakes & St. Lawrence Cities Initiative Conference in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where Canadian and U.S. mayors met to discuss sustaining our freshwater resources. This conference was also attended by members of N.A.S.A., the Army Corps of Engineers and Canadian ambassador. Mr. Twolan invited all mayors to participate in this group.

# 9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, July 23, 2010 at the Royal Canadian Legion #383 in Tara, Ontario.

There being no further business, Bill Twaddle made a motion to adjourn at 2:30 p.m.	
Mike Traynor	Nancy Guest
Chair	Recording Secretary