

# SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

**MINUTES - MEETING #37** 

**MEETING:** 

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

DATE:

**APRIL 29, 2011** 

TIME:

9:30 A.M.

LOCATION:

GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION ADMINISTRATION OFFICES

**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, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Ken Furlong, Kathie Hughes, Brent Lanktree, Les MacKinnon, Les Nichols, Dale Thompson, Bill Twaddle, Mitch Twolan

Others Present:

Teresa McLellan, Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment (MOE)

Robert Reid, 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 Cottrill, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation David Ellingwood, Program Supervisor, DWSP

Brian Luinstra, Hydrogeologist, DWSP

Thorsten Arnold, Technical Supervisor, DWSP Emily Vandermeulen, GIS Specialist, DWSP Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP

Regrets:

Carolyn Parker, Mark Kraemer

### 1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-10-140

Moved by Robert Emerson Seconded by Les Nichols

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. SPC-10-141

Moved by Mitch Twolan Seconded by Bruce Davidson

THAT the Minutes of the March 25, 2011 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

## 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Notice of When Plan Preparation Begins

The Project Manager reviewed Report 4a and advised that several amendments have been made to the landowners' notice to comply with requests made by the MOE in accordance with existing legislation.

## NMA & EFP Motions Update

The Project Manager updated the SPC respecting the letter from the Upper Thames-Sydenham Source Protection Committee regarding the *Nutrient Management Act* (NMA) motion and the Environmental Farm Plan (EFP) motion. The Project Manager was advised that the Upper Thames-Sydenham Source Protection Committee did not feel that the Ontario Soil & Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA) had the authority to change the EFP and therefore, the Upper Thames-Sydenham Source Protection Committee could not support the wording of the motions. SPC agricultural members updated the Committee on agricultural sector discussions concerning these motions.

### 5. Correspondence

Letter from the Hon. Carol Mitchell dated March 23, 2011 respecting the NMA and EFP motions was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Ian Smith dated April 5, 2011 respecting the Saugeen Conservation Assessment Report was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Ian Smith dated April 5, 2011 respecting the Grey Sauble Conservation Assessment Report was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Ian Smith dated April 5, 2011 respecting the Northern Bruce Peninsula Assessment Report was **noted and filed**.

Email from Teresa McLellan dated April 5, 2011 respecting the draft Assessment Reports was **noted and filed**.

Letter from Owen Sound dated April 7, 2011 respecting risk management plans was **noted and filed.** 

Letter from the Hon. John Wilkinson dated April 7, 2011 re the NMA and EFP motions was noted and filed.

Letter from the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Region dated April 20, 2011 respecting the NMA and EFP motions was **noted and filed**.

Email from Bill Roberts dated April 25, 2011 respecting the Sullivan Landfill was **noted and filed.** 

## 6. Reports

## Administration Report

The Chair acknowledged that this report was available for review prior to the meeting and asked for questions from the floor. The Project Manager noted that two maternity leaves were being filled by Karen Gillan as Communications Specialist and Donna Clarkson as Outreach Specialist. The Project Manager also noted that there will be an additional SPC meeting on June 15, 2011 at the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration Offices.

#### Communications

The Chair acknowledged that this report was available for review prior to the meeting and asked for questions from the floor. The Chair noted the tabloid flyer that was sent out to residents in the Source Protection Region.

### Agricultural & Rural Working Group

The Program Supervisor gave a verbal report and advised that the Agricultural and Rural Working Group (ARWG) has had 2 meetings since the last report and members were given an overview of the work done by the SPC. Policy development was discussed and members were given information to review and make recommendations to the SPC.

The Committee took a break from 10:25 a.m. to 10:40 a.m.

#### 7. New Business

### **Draft Updated Assessment Report**

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7a and advised that our Region has been directed to submit the Updated/Amended Assessment documents by June 30, 2011. Items required in an Updated Assessment Report will require public consultation. Items required for an amended Assessment Report do not require consultation and will be completed slightly later.

Public consultation for the Updated Assessment Report is from May 5, 2011 until June 6, 2011, after which the Draft Updated/Amended Assessment Report, with any changes, will be presented to the SPC for approval on June 15, 2011. After approval by the SPC, the Draft Updated/Amended Assessment Report will be forwarded to each Source Protection Authority for review, and then sent to the MOE. Some items will be postponed including the Tier 3 Water Budget Report and the Intake Protection Zone 3 (IPZ-3) Delineation and Threats Analysis, which includes the investigation of the contaminant of concern, tritiated deuterium.

### Draft Updated Assessment Report Chapter 3 Water Budget:

The Staff Hydrogeologist gave a presentation respecting the Water Budget and advised that the chapter was now in its final state. There will be a number of tools/models that will be useful for planning.

### Draft Updated Assessment Report Chapter 5 Climate Change:

The Staff Hydrogeologist gave a presentation respecting climate change and illustrated a number of climate change trends in the Region. The Hydrogeologist offered to provide these statistical reports to the Committee.

#### Draft Updated Assessment Report Chapter 4 Water Quality Threats & Issues:

The Staff Hydrogeologist gave a presentation respecting the Walkerton and Lake Rosalind nitrate audit and advised that, according to the trend, the nitrate levels for Lake Rosalind seem to be decreasing. Discussions followed respecting testing, the frequency of testing and including this issue in the Source Protection Plan policies.

The Technical Supervisor gave a presentation respecting the surface water systems, groundwater systems and GUDI (groundwater under direct influence) wells.

#### The meeting recessed for lunch at 12:25 p.m. and reconvened at 1:30 p.m.

Kathie Hughes excused herself from the meeting at 1:00 p.m.

## **Draft Updated Assessment Report Mapping**

The GIS/Database Specialist gave a presentation respecting the maps for the Draft Updated Assessment Report and the amendments to the original Proposed Assessment Report. Well head protection area E (WHPA-E) was also discussed, as were maps of the Ruhl Lake IPZ-3 and the Walkerton wells.

Motion No. SPC-10-142

Moved by Mitch Twolan Seconded by Dale Thompson

THAT the Drinking Water Source Protection issue related to nitrates be removed for the Lake Rosalind water system.

Carried

Motion No. SPC-10-143

Moved by Carolyn Day Seconded by Lou D'Alessandro

THAT the Source Protection Committee for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region approve the Draft Updated Assessment Reports for the Saugeen Valley Source Protection Area, the Grey Sauble Source Protection Area and the Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Area dated April 29, 2011, pending minor modifications; and further,

THAT Staff be directed to undertake Draft Updated Assessment Report consultation activities as required by O. Reg. 287/07.

#### Carried

## Agricultural Source Material (ASM) Draft Policy

The Program Supervisor gave a presentation updating the SPC on the most recent version of the ASM draft policy. A discussion followed respecting policy that would cover significant threats.

### 8. Other Business

There was no other business.

## 9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, May 27, 2011 at the Ripley Huron Community Centre in Ripley, Ontario.

There being no further business, Mitch Twolan made a motion to adjourn at 3:25 p.m.

Mike Traynor

Chair

Nancy Guest

Recording Secretary