







SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES - MEETING #40

MEETING:

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DATE:

JULY 22, 2011

TIME:

9:30 A.M.

LOCATION:

KINCARDINE MUNICIPAL OFFICE, KINCARDINE ON

CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mike Traynor called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

In Attendance:

Chair, Mike Traynor

Dr. David Biesenthal, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Ken Furlong, Mark Kraemer, Brent Lanktree, Les MacKinnon, Carolyn

Parker, Dale Thompson, Bill Twaddle, Mitch Twolan

Others Present:

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, CAO, Saugeen Conservation

John Cottrill, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation

Betsy Stewart, Councillor, Northern Bruce Peninsula

Anne Eadie, Deputy Mayor of Kincardine

Allison Kershaw, Ministry of the Environment (MOE), Owen Sound

Office

David Ellingwood, Program Supervisor, DWSP

Brian Luinstra, Hydrogeologist, DWSP

Thorsten Arnold, Technical Supervisor, DWSP

Emily Vandermeulen, GIS/Database Specialist, DWSP

Sara Pickard, Water Quality Technician, DWSP Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP

Audrey Holden, Historic Saugeen Metis

Regrets:

Lou D'Alessandro, Kathie Hughes, Les Nichols

Teresa McLellan, Ex-officio, MOE

The Chair introduced and welcomed Ms. Anne Eadie, Deputy Mayor of The Municipality of Kincardine. Ms. Eadie welcomed the Committee and staff to her Municipality and invited all to attend Kincardine's ABC (Airplanes, Bikes & Cars) event being held on Sunday, July 31, 2011 at the Kincardine Airport. She expressed her passion for the importance of clean water and appreciated being kept up to date with the information on the website, including the Assessment Report. She conveyed her concern that Lake Huron be formally considered a source of water and that the health of Lake Huron is important to all of the Grey-Bruce region.

The Chair then introduced and welcomed Mr. Jim Coffey, CAO of Saugeen Conservation, Mr. John Cottrill, CAO of Grey Sauble Conservation, Ms. Allison Kershaw of the Owen Sound Office of the MOE, and Audrey Erin Holden of the Historic Saugeen Metis.

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-11-150

Moved by Carolyn Parker Seconded by Carolyn Day

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-11-151

Moved by Bruce Davidson Seconded by Dale Thompson

THAT the Minutes of the June 24, 2011 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Notice of Motion

Committee member, Ken Furlong, reviewed the Notice of Motion and noted some amendments to the second last paragraph, being:

"THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the costs of hiring risk management officials, writing risk management plans, and monitoring and enforcing those plans for existing properties be borne by the users of the water system;"

Brent Lanktree arrived at 9:45 a.m.

A discussion followed respecting the public responsibility for clean water.

Motion No. SPC-11-152

Moved by Ken Furlong Seconded by Carolyn Day

WHEREAS the Source Protection Committee is obliged to write policy;

AND WHEREAS the Source Protection Committee is mandated to be conscious of doable and equitable policies to accomplish source water protection;

AND WHEREAS the Source Protection Committee will appoint appropriate agencies to implement these policies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the cost of hiring risk management officials, writing risk management plans, and monitoring and enforcing those plans for existing properties be borne by the users of the water system;

AND FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED THAT future expansion of systems and land use changes be borne by the proponents.

Defeated

5. Correspondence

Letter from the MOE dated June 30, 2011 respecting receipt of the Assessment Reports was noted and filed.

Letter from landowner dated July 10, 2011 respecting Assessment Report was noted and filed.

6. Reports

<u>Administration</u>

The Chair acknowledged that this report was available for review prior to the meeting and asked for questions from the floor.

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program

The Chair acknowledged that this report was available for review prior to the meeting and asked for questions from the floor.

Communications

The Chair acknowledged that this report was available for review prior to the meeting and asked for questions from the floor.

Planning Officials Working Group

The Program Supervisor and the Chair of this working group, SPC member Mitch Twolan, reviewed Report 6d and advised that the Working Group reviewed the policy packages respecting septic and dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) and passed the following motions endorsing the draft policies respectively:

"THAT the members present at the Planning Officials Working Group meeting support the policy directions contained in the policy package related to on-site

sewage systems as presented and recommend the package to the Source Protection Committee."

"THAT the members present at the Planning Officials Working Group meeting support the policy directions contained in the policy package related to dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) as presented and recommend the package to the Source Protection Committee, with the policy on building permit denial being removed and revisions to the restricted land use policy."

Agricultural & Rural Working Group

The Program Supervisor and the Chair of this working group, SPC member Dr. David Biesenthal, reviewed Report 6e and advised that the Working Group reviewed the policy package respecting septic and passed the following motion endorsing the draft policy:

"THAT the members present at the Agricultural and Rural Working Group meeting support the policy directions contained in the policy package related to on-site sewage systems as presented and recommend the package to the Source Protection Committee, with concerns about the availability of incentive funding."

Andrew Barrie of the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food & Rural Affairs (OMAFRA) explained the differences between nutrient management plans and nutrient management strategies at the Working Group meeting held July 14, 2011.

The Committee took a break from 10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.

At the request of the Chair, SPC member, Mark Kraemer, temporarily took over as Acting Chair.

7. New Business

Bruce Power Presentation

Representatives from Bruce Power gave presentations respecting the science of tritium and the oversight programs in place at Bruce Power to monitor tritium emissions released from the Bruce Power nuclear facility and its effects on drinking water.

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

The Chair, Mike Traynor, resumed chairing the meeting and thanked SPC member, Mark Kraemer, for stepping in as Acting Chair.

Septics Policy Presentation

The Program Supervisor reviewed the draft policy respecting on-site sewage systems (septic systems) and advised that the format of the document is being changed to make it simpler and easier to understand. A discussion respecting this draft policy followed and the Committee was advised that this threat would be revisited when the policy document is being finalized.

DNAPLs Policy Presentation

The Program Supervisor reviewed the draft policy respecting dense non-aqueous phase liquids (DNAPLs) and advised that the format of this document is also being changed to make it simpler and easier to understand. A discussion respecting the disposal of hazardous waste followed.

8. Other Business

Information about the bio-digester located in Georgian Bluffs was requested.

Raising the profile of Drinking Water Source Protection at the Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) was discussed.

A discussion took place concerning the timelines given to SPC members to review policy documents. A need for additional time to review new or revised policy documents was expressed.

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on September 30, 2011 at the Saugeen Conservation administrative offices, 1078 Bruce Road 12, Formosa, Ontario.

There being no further business, Ken Furlong made a motion to adjourn at 3:15 p.m.

Mike Traynor

Chair

Nancy Guest

Recording Secretary