

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #71

MEETING:

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DATE:

FRIDAY, MAY 27, 2016

TIME:

9:30 A.M.

LOCATION:

SAUGEEN VALLEY CONSERVATION, FORMOSA ON

CALL TO ORDER

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

In Attendance:

Chair, Mike Traynor

David Biesenthal, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Ken Furlong, Kathie Hughes, Mark Kraemer, Brent Lanktree, Les Nichols, Bill

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Others Present:

Beth Forrest, Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change

(MOECC)

Carl Seider, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP)

Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

Also in Attendance:

Wayne Brohman, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Saugeen

Conservation (SVCA)

Emily Vandermeulen, Program Supervisor, DWSP Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP Tori Waugh, Agricultural Outreach Coordinator, SVCA

Regrets:

Andrew Barton, Carolyn Parker, Mitch Twolan

Proxy Appointed By: Andrew Barton & Carolyn Parker

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-16-258

Moved by Bruce Davidson 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-16-259

Moved by Carolyn Day Seconded by Les Nichols

THAT the Minutes of the March 18, 2016 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

Presentation

Tori Waugh, the Agricultural Outreach Coordinator for Saugeen Conservation and Maitland Conservation gave a presentation outlining the Agricultural Outreach Program and the farmer-to-farmer workshops that are available to interested parties. More information about this program can be found on the Saugeen Conservation website at www.svca.on.ca.

4. Correspondence

Letter dated April 29, 2016 from Grey Sauble Conservation (GSCA) to the Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) submitting the proposed amendments to the approved Source Protection Plan was **noted and filed**.

Letter dated April 29, 2016 from Bruce Power to the Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission was **noted and filed**. (This report in compact disk format is available upon request)

Letter dated May 9, 2016 from MOECC to the Township of Huron-Kinloss respecting its new well was **noted and filed**.

Letter dated May 16, 2016 from MOECC to GSCA acknowledging receipt of the amendments to the Source Protection Plan was **noted and filed**.

Letter dated May 16, 2016 from MOECC to Northern Bruce Peninsula acknowledging receipt of the amendments to the Source Protection Plan was **noted and filed**.

Letter dated May 16, 2016 from MOECC to Saugeen Valley Conservation (SVCA) acknowledging receipt of the amendments to the Source Protection Plan was **noted and filed**.

Letter dated May 17, 2016 from SVCA to MOECC respecting amendments to the Source Protection Plan was **noted and filed**.

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

6. Reports

Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6a and advised that the workplan/budget includes staff salaries, time and the technical work required for the new Ripley well. The meetings attended by staff were reviewed and it was noted that staff has met with various municipalities respecting

implementation of the Source Protection Plan policies and readiness to address Part IV responsibilities in preparation for the July 1, 2016 effective date of the Source Protection Plan.

Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Report 6b and advised that real estate agents and lawyers will be advised of the Source Protection Plan policies for landowners and prospective purchasers. A road sign fact sheet is being prepared to increase awareness. Outreach is accomplished through the Source Water newsletters, Twitter, Facebook and the waterprotection website.

The Committee recessed from 10:20 a.m. to 10:35 a.m.

Robert Emerson invited everyone to the 75th anniversary celebration of the Bruce County Federation of Agriculture in Cargill, Ontario on July 22, 2016 with Michael "Pinball" Clemons as the guest speaker.

7. New Business

Workplan Report 7a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7a and advised that transportation of fuel threats are typically federally legislated issues and outside the purview of the provincial government with the exception of requirements for emergency response plans. There have been discussions with municipalities respecting contaminated sites such as former gas stations, etc. requesting any local knowledge or historical information. This issue will be brought back to the Committee in the future for discussion. The Project Manager reviewed the ongoing and cyclical activities set out in Report 7a and issues that had been set aside during the preparation of the Assessment Reports and Source Protection Plan were discussed. A letter will be drafted respecting the Meaford Tank Range for review at the next Committee meeting.

Source Protection Committee O. Reg. 288/07 Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7b and advised that the Committee could start considering changes in the composition of the Committee that is anticipated within the next four years. The Project Manager has reviewed the requirements to ensure a balanced representation and the Ministry has acknowledged that continuity on the Committee is desired. Reconstitution of the Committee by renewal or replacement of the members currently sitting on the Committee should be completed by December, 2020. Currently, there are three groupings: "Municipal" with five representatives; "Agricultural/Industrial/Commercial" with five representatives; and "Other", including environment, health and public) with five representatives. If one member was removed from each grouping, the Committee would be reduced to 12 members. Currently, two of the fifteen members have resigned and another is deceased.

THAT the Source Protection Committee supports the intent to reduce the number of members on the Committee to twelve, pursuant to O.Reg. 288/07 s.1(5).

Carried

Source Protection Plan Amendments Report 7c

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7c and advised that funding has been approved to conduct a technical study for a new municipal drinking water well in Ripley. The results of this study will be used as the basis for delineation of the wellhead protection area around the well and result in an amendment to the Source Protection Plan.

The Project Manager reviewed several policies, including possible amendments, which were discussed by the Committee and decisions were deferred until the next Source Protection Committee meeting.

8. Other Business

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Source Protection Committee meeting will be held at 1:30 p.m. on Friday, September 23, 2016 at the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration Offices, 237897 Inglis Falls Road, RR4, Owen Sound, Ontario.

There being no further business, Mark Kraemer made a motion to adjourn at 12:00 p.m.

Acting Chair

Nancy Guest
Recording Secretary