

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #75

MEETING:

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DATE:

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2017

TIME:

1:30 P.M.

LOCATION:

GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION, OWEN SOUND ON

CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 1:45 p.m. and advised that there was **no quorum** and this would be an informal meeting. The Chair emphasised the importance of appointing a proxy prior to a meeting in the event that a member is unable to attend in order to confirm quorum at every meeting.

In Attendance:

Chair, Bill Twaddle

David Biesenthal, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Brent

Lanktree, Les Nichols, Angela Newman

Others Present:

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

(MOECC)

Angela Newman, Ex-officio member, Grey-Bruce Health Unit

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

Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

Also in Attendance:

Sonya Skinner, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation

Dick Hibma, Chair, Grey Sauble Conservation

Wayne Brohman, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Saugeen Conservation

Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP

Justine Lunt, Program Supervisor & Risk Management Official Kyle Davis, Risk Management Official, Wellington County

Emily Vandermeulen, Risk Management Inspector, Wellington County

Regrets:

Ken Furlong, Kathie Hughes, Mark Kraemer, Mitch Twolan

Proxy Appointed By: None

The Chair introduced and welcomed Angela Newman as the new Health Sector Representative. Angela works as a Public Health Manager at the Grey Bruce Health Unit where she started as a Public Health Inspector in a variety of inspection programs including drinking water, recreational water, food safety, health hazards and infection control.

Justine Lunt was also introduced as the Program Supervisor and Risk Management Inspector/Official at the Drinking Water Source Protection office. She holds an Honours BA from the University of Waterloo and recently completed the Environmental Technology advanced diploma program at Georgian College.

1. Adoption of Agenda

The adoption of the Agenda could not be accomplished without quorum.

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Source Protection Committee (SPC) 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

The adoption of the Minutes of the June 23, 2017 meeting could not be accomplished without quorum.

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

5. Correspondence

There was no correspondence at this time.

6. Reports

Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6a and advised the Amended Source Protection Plan will be submitted for approval after Source Protection Plans from two other Regions and it is anticipated that the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Plan will be reviewed by the newly appointed Minister of the Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) in the new year.

The Project Manager also welcomed the new DWSP staff member, Justine Lunt, and the new SPC Health Sector representative, Angela Newman.

Grey Sauble Conservation Chair, Dick Hibma, spoke to his experience on the bi-national Source Water Initiative Working Group led by the Great Lakes Commission in which the MOECC is currently participating. Data is being shared from groundwater research so that groups are able to make informed decisions and share experience.

Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Report 6b and advised that Riverfest, a part of the Ontario 150th sesquicentennial and the Owen Sound 160th celebration, was well-attended at the Harrison Park location by all age groups who took advantage of the resources available. A Resource and Training Guide for Fire Fighters has been prepared to inform first responders about wellhead protection areas and intake protection zones with the goal of protecting the water supply during an emergency.

7. New Business

Source Protection Plan Implementation Update Report 7a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7a and advised that landowners are cooperative and receptive to facilitating a Risk Management Plan, when required, and have added the requirements into their normal standard practices. Awareness of the Program has increased and people are becoming mindful of the importance of a clean water supply. Municipalities are considering creative options to deal with concerns at an early stage and comments are being considered with the goal of effecting the efficient application of policies.

Annual Reporting Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7b and advised that prior to annual reporting, the Source Protection Authorities review the material, after which it is provided to the Source Protection Committee and the public. Some Source Protection Regions are preparing for their annual reporting in 2018. The first annual report for the Saugeen, Grey Sauble, Northern Bruce Peninsula Source Protection Region will be submitted in 2019. A discussion followed respecting the content of the annual reports and the importance of the work of the Source Protection Committee making a difference.

Delegation: Kyle Davis - Wellington County Comments on Source Protection Plan

Kyle Davis, the Risk Management Official for the County of Wellington, gave a presentation providing comments on the Source Protection Plan as it affects properties in Wellington County. Discussions followed reviewing the reasons and rationale for the decisions made by the Source Protection Committee and the Committee agreed to give further consideration to the comments.

8. Other Business

The Source Protection Committee was advised that the Owen Sound Emancipation Festival has named its Speakers' Forum keynote presentation in memory of former Source Protection Committee member, Les MacKinnon.

SPC member, Bruce Davidson, advised that fish line receptacles are being constructed for fouled lines; and garbage and recycling units are being placed in Brockton.

The Chair noted that Bruce Davidson will be a guest speaker at the Chairs and Project Managers meeting in Toronto being held October 12th and 13th to mark the tenth anniversary of the passing of the *Clean Water Act*.

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, January 26, 2018 a 1:30 p.m. at the Grey Sauble Administration Offices in Owen Sound, Ontario.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Bill Twadele

Chair

Nancy Guest

Recording Secretar