

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #78

MEETING: SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

DATE: FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2018

TIME: 1:30 P.M.

LOCATION: GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

In Attendance: Chair, Bill Twaddle
Bruce Davidson, Stan Eby, Robert Emerson, Angela Newman, Les Nichols, Tara Saab, Gord Timmerman, Mitch Twolan

Others Present: Angelune DesLauriers (by teleconference), Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks (MECP)
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: Karen Gillan, Program Supervisor & Communications Specialist, DWSP
Justine Lunt, DWSP Resource Staff
John Ritchie, MECP, Owen Sound Office
Kyle Davis, Wellington County Risk Management Officer
Peter Couture, Great Lakes Metis Council
Jim Stranks, Great Lakes Metis Council

Regrets: Carolyn Day, Kathie Hughes, Brent Lanktree

Proxy Appointed By: Carolyn Day

1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No.
SPC-18-285

Moved by Bruce Davidson
Seconded by Robert Emerson

THAT the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

Carried

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

Motion No.
SPC-18-286

Moved by Les Nichols
Seconded by Tara Saab

THAT the Minutes of the June 22, 2018 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

5. Correspondence

Letter from Centre Wellington dated June 29, 2018 respecting water taking permits was **noted and filed**.

6. Reports

Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 6a and advised that administrative assistant, Nancy Guest, officially retired effective October 26, 2018, but is working at DWSP one day a week to support the program. Justine Lunt has accepted a permanent position with the Planning Department at Grey Sauble Conservation; and Karen Gillan has returned to fill the position of Program Supervisor and also continue as Communications Specialist.

A group from Drinking Water Source Protection, Grey Sauble Conservation, Saugeen Valley Conservation and Conservation Ontario met with the MPP for Bruce-Grey-Owen Sound, Bill Walker, to discuss the role of conservation authorities and source water programs within the new government.

The Project Manager attended a seminar presented by the Simcoe County Realtors Association and spoke to attendees respecting the impact of source water policies on real estate properties. The information was well-received and feedback from attendees was informative.

The Ecotoxicological Study of Owen Sound Harbour was discussed including concerns related to the contamination of Owen Sound Bay that might be caused by dredging the harbour. The formation of a working group was discussed to look into any potential drinking water issues.

There has been positive feedback from municipalities respecting implementation of the Source Protection Plan policies. Staff has been meeting with municipalities to offer support respecting implementation.

The s. 34 amendment has been approved by the Deputy Minister and will be reviewed and hopefully approved by the Minister as soon as possible. There has been a government reorganization that affects the Source Water branch, which assigns the Source Protection Programs Branch to the Land and Water Division of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks.

The Project Manager met with the Niagara Escarpment Commission (NEC) at its office in Georgetown ON along with Project Managers from other source water regions and gained new information respecting NEC approvals and the overlap with Source Water. Useful information was shared and NEC is aware that applications should be sent to source water risk management offices after being reviewed by the NEC.

Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Report 6b and advised that there is a primer available which is a good orientation for new municipal council members and municipal planners. The Communications Specialist is preparing orientation packages respecting Source Water for new municipal councillors.

Annual Progress Report Update Report 6c

The Project Manager has been reviewing the ongoing development of the Annual Progress Report and advised that questions have been narrowed down to summarize information and a new template is being prepared. Information from risk management reports will be completed and submitted to the Source Protection Committee in March 2019.

7. New Business

SPC Member Renewal Report 7a

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7a and advised correspondence was sent on October 30, 2018 to the Clerks of all the municipalities in the Region requesting candidates for municipal sector representation on the Source Protection Committee. Municipalities were asked to submit names to the DWSP office by January 31, 2019. The candidates will be submitted to the Management Committee which will make recommendations for appointment to the lead authority.

Section 36 Workplan Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7b and advised that the Source Protection Committee will begin to develop amendments to the Source Protection Plan and, after receiving feedback from municipalities during preliminary consultations between May and September 2018, reviewed with the Committee the areas of focus for the workplan amendments, as set out in Report 7b. The SPC has a year to address these issues and are currently awaiting the Minister's Order to open the Plan for review under s. 36.

Mitch Twolan excused himself from the meeting at 2:50 p.m. Quorum ends.

8. Other Business

Bruce Davidson advised that Brockton and Hanover, together with Collaboration Plastics Associations and Bruce Power, will soon be ordering a Styrofoam densifier to convert Styrofoam products into saleable items and help with the recycling of Styrofoam products.


Mr. Davidson also advised that their community garden is being made barrier-free with a product called eco-raster which enables easier accessibility. Also, work is underway to provide garbage recycling for fishermen along the Saugeen River.

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on **Friday, March 29, 2019** at the Grey Sauble Conservation Administration Office in Owen Sound, Ontario.

There being no further business, Gord Timmerman made a motion to adjourn at 3:10 p.m.



Bill Twaddle
Chair



Nancy Guest
Recording Secretary