

**SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING #18
JUNE 17, 2009
SCUGOG ISLAND COMMUNITY HALL, ON
MINUTES**

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

- ◆ Jim Hunt, *Chair*
- ◆ Monica Berdin, *Recreation/Tourism*
- ◆ Darla Blodgett, *Hiawatha First Nation*
- ◆ Alanna Boulton, *Trent Severn Waterway*
- ◆ Tom Cathcart, *Health Unit Liaison*
- ◆ Pam Crowe, *Alderville First Nation*
- ◆ Bill Cornfield, *Drinking Water Expert*
- ◆ Edgar Cornish, *Agriculture*
- ◆ Kerry Doughty, *Aggregate/Mining*
- ◆ Roberta (Bobbie) Drew, *Public – Rural*
- ◆ Dave Golem, *Municipal*
- ◆ Rick Johnson, *Large Non Municipal Water User*
- ◆ Jim Kelleher, *Source Protection Authority Liaison*
- ◆ Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan, *Municipal*
- ◆ Robert Lake, *Economic Development*
- ◆ Wendy Lavender, *MOE Liaison*
- ◆ Gerald McGregor, *Municipal*
- ◆ Glenn Milne, *Agriculture*
- ◆ Mary Smith, *Municipal*
- ◆ Bev Spencer, *Agriculture*
- ◆ Richard Straka, *Municipal*
- ◆ Matt Taft, *Public-Urban*
- ◆ Mae Whetung, *Curve Lake First Nation*

REGRETS:

- ◆ Dave Burton, *Municipal*
- ◆ Mary Jane Conboy, *Environmental NGO*
- ◆ Bruce Craig, *Municipal*
- ◆ Terry Rees, *Waterfront Landowner*
- ◆ Wayne Stiver, *Drinking Water Expert*

COMMITTEE SUPPORT STAFF:

- ◆ Glenda Rodgers, *Project Manager*
- ◆ Marilyn Bucholtz, *Communications Coordinator*
- ◆ Myriam Genet, *Administrative Assistant*

CONSERVATION AUTHORITY STAFF:

- ◆ CVCA: *Vicki Woolfrey*
- ◆ GRCA: *Mark Peacock*
- ◆ KRCA: *Mark Majchrowski, Jessica Mueller*
- ◆ ORCA: *Meredith Carter, Terri Cox*
- ◆ TCC Regional Staff:
Andrew Doiron, Shan Mugalingam

PRESENTERS:

- ◆ Stan Denhoed, *Harden Environmental*
- ◆ Bruce Davidson, *Concerned Walkerton Citizen*

DELEGATIONS:

- ◆ Murray Hynes, Sharon King, *Kawartha Protect our Waters (KPOW)*

1. WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 10:15 a.m. Jim Hunt welcomed all to the meeting.

2. WELCOME TO PORT PERRY – BOBBIE DREW, COUNCILLOR, TOWNSHIP OF SCUGOG

Bobbie Drew was pleased to welcome the Committee members to her community. She presented information about the environmental progress the Township was making as well as future growth plans. See website www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca for her presentation.

3. DISCLOSURES OF ANY CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

There were no disclosures.

4. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

The agenda was approved with the addition of an item of correspondence regarding the Assessment Plan extension request that was received after the agenda was mailed.

5. DELEGATIONS

MURRAY HYNES AND SHARON KING, KAWARTHA PROTECT OUR WATERS (KPOW)

Murray Hynes presented information on how his group was formed and then addressed the Committee with KPOW's concerns. The group was concerned with some threats in the Kawartha area, specifically noting the status of city landfill sites. Mr. Hynes indicated that he supported the efforts of the Source Protection Committee, but felt that the Committee was 'handicapped' with very little powers. He hoped that the Committee would advocate for more authority, and indicated that his group would back such an approach.

6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING (MAY 7, 2009)

Myriam Genet indicated there was a note on page 3; item 12, that should be removed from the draft. The minutes were approved with that edit.

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

Gerald McGregor recalled that Peter Taylor, Ministry of the Environment, indicated at the May meeting that Municipalities had no authority over Permits to Take Water. He researched and discovered that in a 2002 Divisional Court, a court decision confirmed the power of municipalities to use official plans and zoning bylaws to regulate water use as a land use under the Planning Act. This power exists alongside and independent of the provincial responsibility to issue water taking permits. Chair Hunt thanked Gerald for this information and indicated that he was aware of the court case.

Wendy Lavender also noted that municipalities have the opportunity to comment on the Permit to Take Water applications when they are posted on the EBR.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

a. TCC LETTER TO PAT LAWSON RE: PRESENTATION TO SPC

b. TCC LETTER TO LYN POWER RE: PRESENTATION TO SPC

c. LETTER FROM KAWARTHA-HALIBURTON SPA TO MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT RE SPA ROLE, MAY 5, 2009

d. LETTER FROM KAWARTHA-HALIBURTON SPA TO MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT TO SPC CHAIR RE COMMUNICATIONS AND SPA ROLE, MAY 5, 2009

e. CHAIR'S RESPONSE LETTER TO KAWARTHA-HALIBURTON SPA, JUNE 1, 2009

f. LETTER FROM MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT TO SPC CHAIR RE: EXTENSION REQUEST, JUNE, 2009

Glenda reviewed all of the correspondence with the Committee. There was a brief discussion surrounding item f. The request for an extension will be updated and submitted to the Minister in the fall.

9. CHAIR'S QUARTERLY REPORT TO SOURCE PROTECTION AUTHORITIES

Chair Hunt briefly reviewed his 2nd Quarterly Report.

10. WORK PLAN UPDATER – GLENDA RODGERS

Glenda updated the Committee on progress to date. She also referred the Committee to a Gantt chart which she prepared for the Ministry of the Environment. Rosemary Kelleher-MacLennan indicated that she shared the documents with other municipal members to update them, and it proved to be very useful.

11. THE ROLE OF GROUNDWATER MODELLING FOR SOURCE WATER PROTECTION – STAN DENHOED, HARDEN ENVIRONMENTAL

Stan Denhoed demonstrated the principles of modelling and discussed its value in Source Protection Planning. For an overview of his presentation see website: www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca.

12. WALKERTON: THE COST OF GETTING IT WRONG – BRUCE DAVIDSON, CONCERNED WALKERTON CITIZENS

Bruce Davidson, who was a resident of Walkerton during the e-coli outbreak, gave a personal account surrounding the event. To view his presentation see website: www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca.

13. ROLE OF THE LIAISON REPRESENTATIVES – WENDY LAVENDER, TOM CATHCART, JIM KELLEHER

Wendy, Tom and Jim each gave a brief overview of their role on the Source Protection Committee. To view their presentation see website: www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca).

14. INPUT TO COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY – MARILYN BUCHOLTZ

Marilyn Bucholtz made a presentation on a proposed Communications Strategy and encouraged Committee Members to contact her should they have any suggestions. To view her presentation see our website: www.trentsourceprotection.on.ca

15. UPDATE ON SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING DISCUSSION PAPER – GLENDA RODGERS

Glenda Rodgers reported that the MOE indicated that the Source Protection Planning Discussion Paper should be ready to post on the EBR this month.

Action: Glenda Rodgers will e-mail the Committee with the link once the paper is posted.

16. REPORTS

a. STAFF

Marilyn Bucholtz referred to the Conservation Ontario leaflet: *A Progress Report on Source Protection Partnership Accomplishments 2005-2008*. More copies are available by contacting Marilyn or Myriam.

Glenda noted that a DVD of the Trent Conservation Coalition Significant Groundwater Recharge Area Report was provided to each member. While a presentation on the draft report was provided earlier, a presentation of the final report will be given at a future meeting. Glenda encouraged Source Protection Committee Members to review the report provided.

Meredith Carter gave a brief update on the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program.

b. MUNICIPAL WORKING GROUPS (MINUTES/REPORTS)

Rosemary MacLennan reported that there was a Lower Trent Municipal Working Group on June 9. She was not present, so she deferred to Jim Kelleher. Jim indicated that a presentation was provided on the draft findings to date and that those present seemed to find it helpful.

Mary Smith asked if there was an expectation of other working groups to hold meetings at this time and present the technical information. It was noted that scheduling was up to each working group and that the Lower Trent Municipal Working Group had set a schedule for the year.

c. COMMITTEE MEMBERS (UPDATES ON PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT/CONFERENCES)

Chair Hunt reported on the June Chairs' meeting at Grand Bend June 1 - June 2, 2009.

17. FUTURE MEETINGS

The following dates were chosen:

- September 15, 2009
- October 6, 2009
- November 3, 2009

The Committee agreed locations would be chosen based on the reports being released at that time. More than one meeting per month may have to be scheduled to accommodate the technical reports being released.

18. OTHER BUSINESS

Gemma Boeg, M. Sc. Candidate, University of Oxford, United Kingdom spoke briefly to the Committee. She is gathering information for a research project approved by the MOE. Results will be distributed to all SPCs and provincial policy makers. The questionnaire will be mailed to members not at the meeting, and can also be viewed at www.surveygizmo.com/s/143316/source-protection-committee-questionnaire.

The Committee agreed that Glenda Rodgers would prepare a letter thanking the KPOW for their presentations. The Committee would be copied on the letter and the letter would be included as correspondence on the next Source Protection Committee agenda.

19. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Hunt thanked everyone for their participation. The meeting adjourned at 3:30 p.m.