



NIAGARA PENINSULA SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

NIAGARA PENINSULA January 6, 2009 3:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Neufeld, (Chair)

R. Bator

M. Bellantino Perco

D. OstryhonD. RenshawD. RickerC. Shrive

MEMBERS ABSENT: B. Antonsen

T. Rigby
E. Schneider

LIAISONS PRESENT: M. Keller, Ministry of the Environment

LIAISONS ABSENT: B. Baty, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

G. Hudgin, Niagara Public Health Representative

STAFF PRESENT: B. Wright, Source Protection Coordinator

J. Kukalis, Director, Water Management M. Stack, Director, Communications D. Gullett, Recording Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Barrow, Niagara Region

M. McHugh, Ministry of the Environment

L. Lemon, Jagger Hims

TOUR OF DECEW - LAKE GIBSON INTAKE PROTECTION ZONES

Starting at 3:00pm, members of the Source Protection Committee and N.P.C.A. staff were taken on a tour of the Intake Protection Zones (IPZs) for Decew Water Treatment Plant. The tour was lead by Niagara Region staff.

ROLL CALL

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

BUSINESS:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m., thanked the members for attending and requested that if anyone had a conflict of interest to declare it. There being none, he proceeded as follows.

Due to possible inclement weather, the Chair asked the committee to agree to move Item 6 to Item 1. The following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-01-09

MOVED BY: D. Renshaw SECONDED BY: D. Ostryhon

THAT: The agenda be accepted as amended.

"CARRIED"

The Chair welcomed and introduced Mr. Chris Shrive as the new Municipal Representative for the City of Hamilton, and invited Martin Keller to introduce Maeve McHugh as the new Liaison for the Ministry of the Environment.

(6) AMBIENT GROUNDWATER QUALITY REPORT

Brian Wright introduced Mr. Lloyd Lemon from Jagger Hims Limited, who gave a slide presentation on the Ambient Groundwater Quality report. This report was completed to fulfill deficiencies in the Draft Watershed Characterization Report (dated December 2006). A brief question and answer period followed.

SPC members requested the PowerPoint presentation to be posted on the website portal.

SPCR-04-09

MOVED BY: R. Bator SECONDED BY: D. Renshaw

THAT: The Source Protection Committee accept report SPC-1-09 as presented

for information purposes.

"CARRIED"

(2) MINUTES – SEPTEMBER 9, 2008 SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions. There being none, the following resolution was presented.

SPCR-02-09

MOVED BY: D. Ricker

SECONDED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco

THAT: The minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held

September 9, 2008 be received and approved as presented.

"CARRIED"

(3) MINUTES - OCTOBER 28, 2008 SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions. There being none, the following resolution was presented.

SPCR-03-09

MOVED BY: D. Ostryhon SECONDED BY: D. Ricker

THAT: The minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held October

28, 2008 be received and accepted as presented.

"CARRIED"

(4) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

(5) UPDATE OF GANTT CHART AND WORK BY NIAGARA REGION

Brian Wright presented a summary of anticipated completion dates for various source protection reports. Committee members were sent the Surface Water Vulnerability Study for the Welland Water Treatment Plant in December prior to the meeting. Final reports that were completed before the release of the new Assessment Report Rules (in November 2008) will be submitted to the committee without revisions. However, in order to bring these reports into compliance with the new rules, an addendum with the required amendments will be provided to committee members.

Deanna Barrow from Niagara Region reported that a work plan is in place with Stantec to complete the remaining work concerning the Water Treatment Plant IPZs and threats assessment.

(7) MUNICIPAL LIAISONS – REPORT NO. SPC-02-09

The report was presented and the following resolution was presented.

SPCR-05-09

MOVED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco

SECONDED BY: D. Ricker

THAT: The Source Protection Committee receive report SPC-2-09 regarding

Municipal Liaisons for information purposes.

"CARRIED"

(8) SPC MEETING SCHEDULE

The committee scheduled the next three meetings for February, March and April, 2009 to be on the second Tuesday of the month. Meetings are to be held at the NPCA office in Welland at 7:00 pm. Specifically the meetings will be held:

- Tuesday February 10, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the NPCA boardroom.
- Tuesday March 10, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the NPCA boardroom.
- Tuesday April 14, 2009 at 7:00 pm in the NPCA boardroom.

The Chair requested NPCA staff send an email notifying members of the newly scheduled meeting dates.

(9) UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair attended a meeting on December 8 & 9, 2008 for an update on the Assessment Rules and Regulations.

Several committee members were in Brantford on December 15, 2008 for a workshop on the rules and regulations. The Chair was informed by those who participated, the session was very helpful and informative.

The Chair will inform the committee at the next meeting the outcome of an upcoming conference call regarding The Drinking Water Stewardship Programs. The Ministry has included the Chairs of each Source Protection Area to help improve this program. The Chair asked that members familiarize themselves with this program.

It was noted that Jocelyn Baker, Stewardship Coordinator, is responsible for administering the Drinking Water Stewardship Program at the NPCA and attending meetings concerning the Stewardship Program.

(10) OTHER BUSINESS

Maria Bellantino-Perco raised a concern about the committee having a quorum at regular meetings. The Chair responded he has communicated with absent members and reaching a quorum in the future shouldn't be a problem.

Robert Bator questioned the per diem rate which the committee is receiving. It was noted that the MOE may fund up to \$ 200.00 per diem and several Source Protection Committees are reportedly receiving this amount. The Source Protection Authority reviewed per diems of other SPCs and local governing boards, and then assessed the information to determine the current committee per diem.

The committee requested the Chair meet with the Source Protection Authority and request the per diem be raised to \$ 200.00. NPCA staff were asked to provide per diem information for other SPCs.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business, the following resolution was presented.

SPCR-06-08

MOVED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco

SECONDED BY: D. Ricker

THAT: This meeting does now adjourn.

Received at 7:46 p.m. "CARRIED"