

NIAGARA PENINSULA SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

WELLAND

April 27, 2010

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Neufeld, (Chair)
R. Bator
D. Ostryhon
M. Bellantino-Perco
D. Renshaw
D. Ricker
T. Rigby
C. Shrive

MEMBERS ABSENT: B. Antonsen

LIAISONS PRESENT: G. Hudgin, Niagara Public Health Representative
M. McHugh, Ministry of the Environment
B. Baty, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

LIAISONS ABSENT:

STAFF PRESENT: B. Wright, Coordinator Source Protection
M. Stack, Director Communications
D. Gullett, Recording Secretary

OTHERS PRESENT: D. Barrow, Niagara Region

ROLL CALL

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

BUSINESS:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:07 p.m., welcomed everyone and requested that if anyone had a conflict of interest to declare it. The Chair mentioned with his permission, there was one proxy from Mr. Ostryhon to Ms. Bellantino-Perco, therefore the votes are to be recorded votes. Mr. Bator asked that he had a concern with compensation, and the Chair suggested we discuss this under other business. The following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-26-10

MOVED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco

SECONDED BY: R. Bator

THAT: The agenda be accepted as presented.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√		D. Ostryhon	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		T. Rigby	√	
C. Shrive	√							

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

(1) MINUTES – FEBRUARY 24, 2010 SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions on the February 24, 2010 minutes. There being none, the following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-27-10

MOVED BY: D. Ricker

SECONDED BY: C. Shrive

THAT: The minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held February 24, 2010 be received and approved as presented.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√		D. Ostryhon	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		T. Rigby	√	
C. Shrive	√							

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

(2) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

(3) ASSESSMENT REPORT TASK SCHEDULE UPDATE

Mr. Wright updated the revised task schedule dated April 12, 2010 explaining staff required more time for revisions to the draft Assessment Report. He suggested delaying the next meeting until May 18, 2010. Tentatively, Mr. Renshaw is the only member with a conflict for this date. Mr. Bator questioned when the second consultation period would be. The Proposed Assessment Report should be posted approximately on the 21st or 25th of May, 2010 followed by a thirty day comment period.

(4) IN-CAMERA - STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM UPDATE

(5) IN-CAMERA – PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE ASSESSMENT REPORT

The Chair requested the Committee move in-camera to address the next two items. The following resolution was then presented:

SPCR-28-10

MOVED BY: D. Ricker

SECONDED BY: T. Rigby

THAT: This meeting does now move in-camera.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√		D. Ostryhon	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		T. Rigby	√	
C. Shrive	√							

Received at 7:12 p.m. **“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”**

This meeting is now back into open session.

(6) MOE PRELIMINARY COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PROPOSED ASSESSMENT REPORT

Mr. Wright went over some of the observations supplied by the MOE after reviewing the Draft Proposed Assessment Report and the following comments were made:

1. Maps Mr. Bator didn't think it was a problem to magnify the maps;
 The Chair doesn't want to be out of compliance if staff can't redo the maps in time;
 Ms. Bellantino suggested communicate with MOE to resolve;
 Mr. Ricker questioned what other Source Protection Areas are doing.

2. Chapter 7 IPZ-1 DeCew Falls - if we abide strictly by the technical rules (TR), there is a gap with no vulnerable area between the Main IPZ-1 and Hwy 406 IPZ-1, but to extend the IPZ-1 beyond 1 km radius is against the TR, unless warranted by hydrodynamic (eddies & currents):
 - Suggest discussing with surface water modeler;
 - Could pursue exception to the rule with MOE;
 - Suggest directly contacting new landowners who may be affected by the revised Main Intake IPZ-1, instead of holding a public meeting/open house;
 - Lengthy discussion – Staff will get back to committee at next meeting.
 -

3. Chapter 9 Niagara Falls WTP – Recommend reducing IPZ by eliminating the reverse flow scenario that would exist when the OPG Canal is closed for maintenance, since Niagara Region completed an Environmental Assessment tow years ago which would allow them to construct a temporary intake on the Niagara River should the OPG Canal be shut down. The SPC may have to delineate an IPZ-1 and IPZ-2 for the temporary intake before the OPG canal is closed.

4. Other Areas of Concern near the Decew IPZ-2's
 Ms. Bellantino suggested keeping this on our 'radar'.
 The local MOE offices could be involved.
 Check terminology for potential threats versus enumerated threats.
 Mr. Bator felt the MOE reviewer was not very detailed, Ms. McHugh explained staff read different sections according to their expertise.
 Add a column to show the status of the action items.

SPCR-30-10

MOVED BY: T. Rigby
SECONDED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco
THAT: This Report no. SPC-11-10 concerning MOE Preliminary Comments on the Draft Proposed Assessment Report be accepted by the Source Protection Committee.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√		D. Ostryhon	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		T. Rigby	√	
C. Shrive	√							

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

(7) OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair reminded the members of the next meeting date Tuesday May 18, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

Mr. Bator feels it is very unfair the per diem rate our committee receives compared to other Source Protection Committees after attending an MOE training session in Milton. Mr. Ricker mentioned there may be a procedural process for revisiting an issue within a year, and also thinks per diem funding should be standard across the province, instead of decided upon locally. The Chair will look into this and respond at the next meeting.

Ms. Bellantino-Perco asked for feedback on the Open Houses. The Chair responded Port Colborne was very well attended with plenty of good discussion. Thorold was a full house and Grimsby had the least attendance. By the comments received, the public seems very interested.

(8) UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair reminded everyone of Mr. Schneider’s resignation, and an advertisement has been placed for this opening. If any member is aware of anyone interested in this position, please encourage them to pursue this opportunity.

The Chair and Mr. Wright will attend a Chairs & Project Managers meeting in Windsor for a few days the first week of May. They are anticipating a lot of material will be covered with regards to the Assessment Report which will keep everyone very busy.

ADJOURNMENT

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

SPCR-32-10

MOVED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco
SECONDED BY: D. Ricker
THAT: This meeting does now adjourn.

Source Protection Committee Meeting - Minutes
April 27, 2010– continued

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
R. Bator	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√		D. Ostryhon	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		T. Rigby	√	
C. Shrive	√							

Received at 9:00 p.m.

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

“D. Gullett, Recording Secretary

M. Neufeld, Chair”