

NIAGARA PENINSULA SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

WELLAND

June 22, 2010

7:00 p.m.

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT: M. Neufeld, (Chair)
B. Antonsen
D. Ostryhon
M. Bellantino-Perco
D. Ricker
D. Semple
C. Shrive

MEMBERS ABSENT: R. Bator
D. Renshaw
T. Rigby

LIAISONS PRESENT: G. Hudgin, Niagara Public Health Representative
B. Baty, Niagara Peninsula Conservation Authority

LIAISONS ABSENT: M. McHugh, Ministry of the Environment

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

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 introduced the new committee member Mr. Drew Semple, Manager of Policy Development at Niagara Region. The Chair commented he would like an addition to the agenda concerning an update on the diesel spill in Port Colborne. The Chair requested that if anyone had a conflict of interest to declare it, and with his permission, there was one proxy from Mr. Renshaw to Mr. Antonsen, therefore the votes are to be recorded votes. The following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-44-10

MOVED BY: D. Ricker
SECONDED BY: D. Ostryhon
THAT: The agenda be accepted as amended.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
B. Antonsen	√		D. Ostryhon	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		D. Semple	√	
C. Shrive	√							

“CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY”

(1) MINUTES – June 2, 2010 SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

The Chair asked if there were any errors or omissions on the June 2, 2010 minutes. There being none, the following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-45-10

MOVED BY: M. Bellantino-Perco
SECONDED BY: D. Ricker
THAT: The minutes of the Source Protection Committee meeting held June 2, 2010 be received and approved as presented.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
B. Antonsen	√		D. Ostryhon	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		D. Semple	√	
C. Shrive	√							

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(2) BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Ms. Bellantino-Perco inquired about when the Medical Officer of Health put the restriction on the Lake Gibson intake. The Chair received a memo from Ken Brothers at the Region lifting the order in June 2010, but they are looking into the background of when the restriction was put in place. She also questioned the outcome of the SPC compensation presented to the SPA, and the Chair replied he would cover that under item number 7 (Update from the Chair).

(3) SPC LETTER TO THE MOE

Mr. Wright presented the draft letter that the SPC wished to send to the SPA during the 30-day commenting period. It is expected this letter and the comments will be forwarded to the MOE along with the Proposed Assessment Report. The Chair asked the committee for any input, and the only comment made was the date must change. The following resolution was then presented.

SPCR-46-10

MOVED BY: B. Antonsen

SECONDED BY: D. Ostryhon

THAT: This Report no. SPC-16-10 and the letter to the Minister be adopted and accepted by the Source Protection Committee.

	Yes	No		Yes	No		Yes	No
B. Antonsen	√		D. Ostryhon	√		M. Bellantino-Perco	√	
D. Renshaw	√		D. Ricker	√		D. Semple	√	
C. Shrive	√							

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(4) ASSESSMENT REPORT TASK SCHEDULE

The Chair commented there wasn't an AR Gantt Chart included in the agenda package, and Mr. Wright explained there was no change to the previous one, as we are right on schedule.

(5) USING APPENDIX C IN THE PROPOSED ASSESSMENT REPORT

Mr. Wright explained how to use Appendix C in the Proposed Assessment Report, and mentioned it is much quicker and easier to follow the links on the website. For example, by simply clicking on “Appendix C.4” in Table 8.4, it will link you right to Appendix C.4.

(6) OTHER BUSINESS

The Chair noted everyone should have received the quoted studies sent by Mr. Bator and thanked him for providing these for the committees perusal.

(6A) DIESEL SPILL IN PORT COLBORNE

Ms. Barrow stated the Director of Water and Wastewater was on site after receiving notification of the spill. The Water Treatment Plant (WTP) intake was closed for about 24 hours following the spill as a precaution. Residents were asked to restrict their use of municipal water until the intake was reopened in order to conserve the water stored in municipal water towers, etc. Stations were set up to distribute bottled water.

Special arrangements were made with the MOE to have the water samples from the intake analyzed, and the results were provided early the next morning indicating the WTP intake could be re-opened. The committee requested Niagara Region present a summary and update of the diesel spill at the next scheduled SPC meeting.

The Chair displayed photos he had taken shortly after the incident, and was very impressed with the interaction between the Seaway Authority and Marine Clean.

(7) UPDATE FROM THE CHAIR

The Chair along with the SPA and NPCA staff met with Mr. Gord Miller, Environmental Commissioner of Ontario at Balls Falls earlier in the day. He was very interested in the Source Water Protection program and asked a lot of questions about our process.

At the SPA meeting held in June, the Board approved an increase of the SPC's per diem to \$ 200.00 for meetings retroactive to April 1, 2010.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, Jul 13, 2010 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT

There was no further business; the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:15 pm.

"D. Gullett, Recording Secretary

M. Neufeld, Chair"