

# SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

## **MINUTES - MEETING #76**

**MEETING:** 

SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

DATE:

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26, 2018

TIME:

1:30 P.M.

**LOCATION:** 

GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION, OWEN SOUND ON

## **CALL TO ORDER**

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

In Attendance:

Chair, Bill Twaddle, Bruce Davidson, Carolyn Day, Robert Emerson, Ken

Furlong, Kathie Hughes, Angela Newman, Les Nichols, Mitch Twolan

Others Present:

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:

Sonya Skinner, CAO, Grey Sauble Conservation

Cathy Little, Chair, Grey Sauble Conservation

Wayne Brohman, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Saugeen Conservation

Justine Lunt, Source Protection Supervisor, DWSP Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP

John Ritchie, MOE, Owen Sound Office

Regrets:

Brent Lanktree

Proxy Appointed By: Brent Lanktree

The Chair introduced and welcomed Fred Dubeau, Water Treatment and Distribution Manager for the Chippewas of Nawash, and Denise Inman, Mexican co-op student living and working in Walkerton.

## 1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-18-278

Moved by Bruce Davidson Seconded by Kathie Hughes

THAT the Agenda for the September 22, 2017 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

#### 2. Adoption of Minutes

Motion No. SPC-18-279

Moved by Bruce Davidson Seconded by Kathie Hughes

THAT the Minutes of the June 23, 2017 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

#### 3. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-18-280

Moved by Les Nichols Seconded by Robert Emerson

THAT the Agenda for the January 26, 2018 meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

## 4. 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.

## 5. Adoption of Minutes

Motion No. SPC-18-281

Moved by Angela Newman Seconded by Les Nichols

THAT the Minutes of the September 22, 2017 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

## 6. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

#### 7. Correspondence

Letter from Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Source Protection Region dated January 2, 2018 respecting public consultation was **noted and filed.** 

## 8. Reports

## Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Administration Report 6a and advised that the Source Protection Plan amendment was in the approval process and that there was hope that the process could be expedited.

The Source Protection Municipal Implementation Fund (SPMIF) has been extended to March 31, 2019 and municipalities who wish to take advantage of this extension were asked to submit a request to the MOECC.

Respecting funding of the Source Protection program, the 2018/2019 workplan submission for staffing was slightly reduced, while overall program requirements remained the same as last year.

## Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Communications Report 6b and advised work is being done to target specific sectors respecting source water and plans are underway to inform new municipal council members after the upcoming municipal elections.

John Ritchie, of the Owen Sound MOECC office and Chair of the Children's Water Festival, gave an overview of the Water Festival held at the Chesley Community Centre and encouraged people to volunteer the week of May 14<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> for a valuable and unique experience working with Grade 4 students from Grey and Bruce. This year's focus is on the Great Lakes and the steering committee is looking for community partners and adult volunteers.

The "Explore" brochure was recently completed for Grey Sauble Conservation and distributed to attendees. The brochure addresses all of the properties owned and maintained by Grey Sauble Conservation with maps and information for each property. The information will be posted on the Grey Sauble Conservation website.

The Drinking Water Source Protection communications strategy was reviewed and discussed. This is currently a draft and members were advised to contact Carl Seider or Karen Gillan with any suggestions.

#### 9. New Business

# Proposed Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act Amendments Report 7a

The amendments improve the regulatory framework by formally adding liquid hydrocarbon pipelines to the list of prescribed threats in the regulation, expand the list of minor plan amendments that are permitted, and increase transparency by adding some additional notification and data sharing requirements. The Management Committee has provided its input and comments can be added to the EBR posting during the comment period which ends February 20, 2018.

## Source Protection Committee Renewal Process Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Report 7b and advised that three Source Protection Committee members have recently resigned and 4 to 6 members will be replaced by the end of 2018. The three sectors will be replaced proportionately. All members must be renewed or replaced by the end of 2019 and the new term will be for five years. An orientation package will be provided to new members. Quorum for all meetings will remain at eight members and proxies are encouraged if a member is unable to attend.

# Risk Management Office Summary Report 7c

The Chair advised that the Risk Management Office was able to get some verbal reports and Risk Management staff across the Region were able to complete most of the threat assessments. Information was also received from the Wellington County and Ausable Bayfield Maitland Valley Risk Management staff. The Project Manager reviewed Report 7c and advised of several milestones. There was a discussion about the detail of reporting to the Committee and the Chair noted that the risk management officials don't work for the SPC; they report to the SPA, who in turn shares information with the SPC.

#### 8. Other Business

## MOECC Changes

John Ritchie reported on the new functions and changes to responsibilities at the MOECC. Two years ago, the MOECC embarked on a strategic plan based on the "modern regulator" idea which resulted in fundamental changes to the manner in which the Ministry operates. Drinking Water Source Protection is under the Environmental Compliance Division now, which is a consolidated structure and is more local rather than regional.

SPC member, Bruce Davidson, advised of a waste and recycling project with eight or nine stations as access points on the Saugeen River. The project is currently sponsored by Bruce Power, Saugeen Valley Conservation and the Municipality of Brockton and is looking for additional sponsors. Bruce Davidson can be contacted in this regard.

There was no other business.

# 9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, June 22, 2018 at the Grey Sauble Conservation in Owen Sound, Ontario.

There being no further business, Les Nichols made a motion to adjourn at 3:30 p.m.

Bill Twaddle

Chair

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Recording Secretary