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LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

MINUTES OF THE THIRTY-FOURTH REGULAR LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Thirty-fourth Regular Meeting of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee held on Wednesday, August 4, 2010, at the Hazelwood Lake Nature Centre. The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 4:18 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Hartley, Chairman
Ken McWhirter, Vice Chairman
Veikko Long
Robert Stewart
Bernie Kamphof
Paul McAlister
Ross Chuchman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Jim Vukmanich
Hartley Multamaki
Guy Jarvis

LIAISON MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mervi Henttonen, LRCA General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Kate Turner, Ministry of Environment (MOE) Liaison
Chris Beveridge, Thunder Bay District Health Unit

ALSO PRESENT:

Jamie Saunders, Source Water Protection Project Manager
Tammy Cook, LRCA Watershed Manager
Roman Augustyn, Source Protection GIS Specialist
Neal Zago, Source Protection Communications Officer
Bill Bartley, Chairman, Source Protection Authority
Gary Murchison, Member, Source Protection Authority
Donna Blunt, Member, Source Protection Authority
Beverley Dale, Member, Source Protection Authority
Ed Chambers, Member, Source Protection Authority
Lucy Kloosterhuis, Member, Source Protection Authority
Rick Kieri, Member, Source Protection Authority

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

Agenda adopted by consensus.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Thirty-third Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, July 7, 2010 were adopted by consensus, as published.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA

No further action required on IPZ-3 delineation at present time. The MOE Liaison, Kate Turner, confirmed that if new information were to arise regarding threats and conditions, the Source Protection Plan could be amended at that time.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING

Assessment Report

For information purposes, correspondence from the MOE confirming receipt of the Proposed Assessment Report from the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority was provided.

Transportation Corridor Threats

For information purposes, a letter from Ian R. Smith, Director, Source Protection Programs Branch, Ontario Ministry of Environment was provided.

Source Protection Plan Regulation

The MOE Liaison, Kate Turner, provided a review and update on the Regulation Amendments to O.Reg. 287/07. For information purposes the slide deck for the presentation was provided.

Staff provided a review of the roles, responsibilities and the notice and consultation requirements for preparation of the Source Protection Plan. For information purposes the slide deck for the presentation was provided.

It was noted that a more in depth training session will be provided later in the fall. Members were asked to bring the Clean Water Act and Ontario Regulation 287/07 to every meeting

Source Protection Plan Regulation Toolkit

It was noted that between 2010 and August 2012 Conservation Authorities will be working closely with their SPC's and municipalities to prepare Source Protection Plans which will contain policies to address source water threats. Conservation Ontario coordinated a Planning Act Working Group (PAWG), which developed a reference document for SPCs and SP Staff. This document is an additional tool in the planning toolbox and was provided in the circulation binder for informational purposes.

Source Protection Plan Advisory Committee

For information purposes, the agendas and supporting documentation from the past two Source Protection Plan Advisory Committee teleconferences was provided.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

For information purposes the MOE Liaison, Kate Turner, provided an update of Ministry of Environment (MOE) Source Protection activities.

6. SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT UPDATES

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Project (ODSWP)

A verbal report on the Application for Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program Funds to Deliver and Early Response Program was provided by Staff. Following the discussion it was noted that further information will be needed before any decision is reached. SP staff will follow up with MOE staff and the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge to provide answers to SPC questions and determine future stewardship actions.

7. WATER RELATED ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

A booth or presentation will be set up at the Northwestern Ontario Water and Wastewater Conference (NWOWWC). The purpose will be to explain drinking water threats and the submission of the Proposed Assessment Report. For informational purposes a copy of the correspondence received from the 2010 NWOWWC was provided. As further details become available it will be provided to the SPC.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

File: The State of Well Stewardship in Ontario – Ontario Ground Water Association

For information purposes, an article prepared by the Ontario Ground Water Association on the State of Well Stewardship in Ontario was provided.

File: Willms & Shier Special Report: Water – July 2010

For information purposes, a copy of the July 2010 issue of the Willms & Shier newsletter was provided. The issue updated federal and provincial developments in the area of water protection.

File: Salt Institute

For information purposes, correspondence from the President emeritus of the Salt Institute requesting that the Salt Institute be added to the public notice distribution list for Source Protection consultation.

9. ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

None

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. OPEN DISCUSSION

Interviews were held during the week of July 26-30 to select a candidate to fill the SWP Manager position. The successful candidate was Jamie Saunders.

12. NEXT MEETING

September 1, 2010 – 4:00 p.m. LRCA Boardroom

13. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

Meeting adjourned by consensus 6:00 p.m.