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LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

MINUTES OF THE FIFTY-FIRST REGULAR LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Fifty-First Regular Meeting of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee held on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Boardroom. The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Hartley, Chairman
Ken McWhirter, Vice Chairman
Bernie Kamphof
Jim Vukmanich
Paul McAlister
Robert Stewart
Guy Jarvis
Ross Chuchman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Hartley Multamaki
Veikko Long

LIAISON MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mary Wooding, Ministry of Environment (MOE) Liaison Officer
Tammy Cook, LRCA Watershed Manager

LIAISON MEMBERS ABSENT:

Chris Beveridge, Thunder Bay District Health Unit Liaison

ALSO PRESENT:

Julie Beach, Source Water Protection Manager
Neal Zago, Source Protection Communications Officer
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1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

Agenda adopted by consensus.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Fiftieth Regular Meeting held on Wednesday, December 7, 2011, were adopted by consensus.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA

Introduction of new MOE Liaison

The new MOE Liaison to the Lakehead Source Protection Committee, Mary Wooding, was in attendance.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING

Draft Source Protection Plan

Staff presented the Draft Proposed Source Protection Plan for final review before Public Consultation. Staff collected all comments from the Committee after the Meeting.

It was noted that more information has been added to the Executive Summary.

The following comments were made and noted by Staff:

- On page 8 of the Plan information should be included on when the Rosslyn Village Drinking Water System came into existence and what kind of treatment it uses.
- There is no mention of the Explanatory Document in the Executive Summary.
- The Committee approves the Preface with minor grammatical changes.
- The Committee approves the Introduction. Minor grammatical errors were pointed out.
- It was mentioned that where the Assessment Report can be found should be in the Plan (i.e. website and office).
- In Chapter Two, it was suggested to make the outline on the map darker and to create a more concise reference of the maps in the Assessment Report.
- In Chapter Three, it was noted that there was a chance for a First Nations Member to be on the Committee but to date no involvement has taken place.
- In Chapter Four, changes to the Land Use Planning Policy were made to prohibit future agricultural threats, so that it can be implemented into the Official Plan. It was suggested that Time of Travel in WHPA-A be noted on the map. Changes to the Monitoring Policy were made so the Authority can get copies of applications during the application process in order to be kept up to date.
- In Chapter Five, changes to the Area of Concern (AOC) comments were suggested to make it sound less like a threat and hazard.
- In Chapters Six, Seven and the Appendix there were only minor word changes suggested.

An explanation was provided to the committee on the topic of new wells being drilled in the WHPA. A well is not a threat if it is constructed correctly. It is outside the scope of the Committee to include this as a policy.

Public Consultation as per O. Reg 287/07/41.(3)(d)

It was noted that public consultation dates have been booked for the City of Thunder Bay and Oliver Paipoonge Open Houses. A sign-up sheet was passed around to SPC Members. The open houses will run from 1:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. with presentations at 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

Source Protection Planning Advisory Committee (SPPAC)

It was noted that a SPPAC teleconference was held on December 15, 2011. The materials and notes from the Meeting were provided to the Committee. It was noted that Conservation Ontario has provided an updated Analysis of Source Protection Planning Policy Approaches.

Electronic Source Protection Newsletter

For information purposes, the Committee was provided with the Electronic Source Protection Newsletter that is distributed by Conservation Ontario.

6. SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Rosslyn Village Signage

The draft sign designs for the Rosslyn Village WHPA were presented to the Committee. The Committee likes the design and agreed to move forward with presenting them to the Municipality.

Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program (ODWSP)

For information purposes, the Committee was provided with the second questionnaire received from a participant of the ODWSP.

It was noted that the second instalment of the ODWSP grant was received on December 20, 2011.

7. SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT UPDATES

Northern Ontario Source Protection Committees

It was noted that previous Minutes from the Sault Ste. Marie Region, Greater Sudbury, North Bay-Mattawa and Mattagami Source Protection Committee Meetings can be viewed on their websites.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

a) 2010/2011 Environmental Commissioners Annual Report

For information purposes, the Committee was provided with an excerpt from the 2010/2011 Environmental Commissioners Annual Report pertaining to Source Water Protection.

b) MTO Information Package Specific to Salt Management and Road Signs

For information purposes, the Committee was provided with a memorandum from the MTO regarding Salt Management and Road Signs. It was noted that the MTO is an interested party not an implementing body for the Specify Action Policy developed by the Committee. A copy of the policies will be submitted to Transport Canada and MTO during Consultation.

c) Liaison Officer (LO) Program Update

For information purposes, the Committee was provided with the Liaison Officer Program Update Number 10. This includes answers to questions that have been asked since the last Update in March 2011.

9. NEW BUSINESS

For information purposes, Committee Member Jim Vukmanich provided an update on the Risk Management Official training that he participated in.

Jim noted that it was a great experience and it was not an easy task to accomplish.

It was noted that the Lakehead Source Protection Area does not have the need for a Risk Management Official for the Source Protection Plan.

The Committee was provided with a copy of the Approved Assessment Report for the Lakehead Source Protection Area.

10. OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

11. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 7, 2012. It is noted that the Committee cancelled the February 1, 2012, SPC Meeting as it would be during Public Consultation.

12. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

Meeting adjourned by consensus at 6:00 p.m.