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LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

MINUTES OF THE TWENTY-SEVENTH REGULAR LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Twenty-Seventh Regular Meeting of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee held on Wednesday, February 3, 2010, at Slovak Legion Branch #129. The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS

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

ABSENT: Veikko Long

LIAISON MEMBERS

PRESENT: Mervi Henttonen, LRCA General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Tu Van Duong, Ministry of Environment (MOE) Liaison
Chris Beveridge, Thunder Bay District Health Unit

ALSO PRESENT: Melanie Mathieson, Source Protection Project Manager
Tammy Cook, LRCA Watershed Manager
Jamie Saunders, Source Protection Water Resources Engineer
Roman Augustyn, Source Protection GIS/Data Specialist
John Cameron, Source Protection Communications Officer

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

Agenda adopted by consensus.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Twenty-Sixth Regular Meeting held Wednesday, January 13, 2010 were adopted by consensus as published.

4. SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING

Committee Members were advised in a report from Staff that revisions to technical information provided to Committee Members may delay the posting as planned on February 4, 2010 of the “Draft Proposed Assessment Report for the Lakehead Source Protection Area”. Committee Members discussed, reviewed and approved the contents of the “Draft Proposed Assessment Report” including the revised technical information noting a revised target date for the 35-day comment period.

Committee Members noted that more information is required to complete an Intake Protection Zone (IPZ) 3 Study for Bare Point, and that an IPZ 3 delineation is not required for this Assessment Report.

Committee Members were advised that the Ministry of Environment (MOE) will be providing an updated Threats and Issues Technical Bulletin.

For information purposes, Committee Members were advised that Staff for the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge presented a Report to Council recommending that the third well for the Rosslyn Municipal drinking water system be decommissioned.

Committee Members were informed that MOE is planning a consultation session in Sudbury for Source Protection Areas in northern Ontario related to discussion on the “Draft Source Protection Plan Regulation”. Committee Members suggested that a local session would be more feasible and recommended that Staff pursue a session in Thunder Bay.

Committee Members were provided with an update from the Source Protection Chairs Meeting held in Toronto at the end of January, 2010.

For information purposes, Committee Members were provided with a copy of the January 2010 Fact Sheet entitled “French Language Services”. It was noted that the Lakehead Source Protection Area remains exempt from having to offer French language services.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

It was noted that Open Houses are scheduled for the Rosslyn Village Community Centre on February 18, 2010 and the Current River Community Centre on February 25, 2010. A third Open House will be held on March 10, 2010 at the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority to meet Regulatory requirements of the “Clean Water Act” for public consultation.

It was noted that notices will be published on the Internet at www.sourceprotection.net and in local papers, the “Chronicle Journal” and “The Source”, as required by the “Clean Water Act” when the “Draft Proposed Assessment Report” is ready for posting.

For information purposes, Committee Members were provided with a “Checklist of Consultation Requirements” for the “Draft Proposed Assessment Report”, the “Threats Definitions Fact Sheet” and “Membership Directory 2010”.

6. SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT UPDATES

For information purposes, Committee Members were advised that the third phase of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority project, “Protecting Source Water, Take Pride in Your Lakehead Source Protection Committee – Minutes of the Twenty-Seventh Regular Meeting February 3, 2010

Property” entitled “Harnessing Household Hazardous Waste” as funded under the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship program will be initiated at the end of February 2010.

7. WATER RELATED ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

Committee Members were advised that the Lakehead Source Protection Authority will host a public event on March 23, 2010 in honour of World Water Day, with Mr. Bruce Davidson providing a presentation entitled “Walkerton – The Cost of Getting It Wrong”.

For information purposes, a poster was circulated promoting a public presentation by Josephine Mandamin at the Brodie Street Library on February 24, 2010 on her experience of walking around the St. Lawrence Seaway as part of her “Mother Earth Water Walk”.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

For information purposes, a copy of the “2009 Canadian Water Attitudes Study” sponsored by the Royal Bank of Canada and Unilever was provided.

9. ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

It was noted that the summer tour of the tall ships on Lake Superior may stop in Thunder Bay.

10. NEW BUSINESS

None.

11. OPEN DISCUSSION

None.

12. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, March 3, 2010, at the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority.

13. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

Adjourned by consensus at 6:05 p.m.