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LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

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

Minutes of the Thirty-third Regular Meeting of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee held on Wednesday, July 7, 2010, at the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority. The Chairman called the Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Hartley, Chairman
Ken McWhirter, Vice Chairman
Jim Vukmanich
Veikko Long
Bernie Kamphof
Guy Jarvis
Paul McAlister
Hartley Multamaki
Ross Chuchman

MEMBERS ABSENT:

Robert Stewart

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:

Melanie Mathieson, Source Protection Project Manager
Tammy Cook, LRCA Watershed Manager
Jamie Saunders, Source Protection Water Resources Engineer
Roman Augustyn, Source Protection GIS Specialist
Neal Zago, Source Protection Communications Specialist

PRESENT FOR PART OF MEETING:

Linda Rydholm
Lucy Kloosterhuis
Bill Bartley

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-second Regular Meeting held on Tuesday, May 25, 2010 were adopted by consensus, as published.

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS AGENDA

Mandatory Customer Service and Accessibility training took place for the first hour of the meeting.

It was noted that the Area of Jurisdiction of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority is now in a Level I Low Water Condition. The condition was downgraded from a Level II Low Water Condition as a result of received precipitation being 79% of average for the period of April, May and June 2010.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING

The Assessment Report was sent to the Source Protection Director for approval on July 7, 2010.

An explanation of CAMaps, an online mapping and data delivery system established by Conservation Ontario, was provided. It was noted that in June 2009, staff provided to the MOE the first phase of the data delivery project as well as data related to the delineation of the Wellhead Protection Areas and Intake Protection Zones.

It was noted that as of July 1, 2010 the Source Protection Plan Regulation has been enacted. Training for Source Protection Authorities and Committees is expected in October 2010.

It was noted that two new technical bulletins are available from the MOE.

A presentation on the Risk Management Measures Catalogue was provided.

An update on the status of technical work for IPZ-3 delineation was provided. There was discussion regarding the necessity of further IPZ-3 delineation. Data will be requested by staff on background contaminant levels within the harbour. All literature will be reviewed by staff and a report provided to the Source Protection Committee.

It was noted that the Chairman and the SWP Water Resources Engineer will be participating in a teleconference for the Source Protection Plan Advisory Committee on July 8, 2010.

It was noted that a Project Managers teleconference meeting was held on June 23, 2010.

6. WATER RELATED ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

Staff will follow up on the Committee request for further information on the North Harbour Project.

7. SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

It was noted that a Source Protection Committee Chairs teleconference meeting was held on June 29, 2010.

No updates from the Ministry of Environment Liaison were provided.

It was noted that the Source Protection Program site visit review went well and the response from the MOE will be shared with the Committee once received.

8. SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT UPDATES

An update on the 4th Phase of the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Project (ODWSP), “Don’t Dump Drugs Down the Drain” was provided to the Committee.

It was requested by the Chair that we share communications materials created using ODWSP funds with the Binational Forum.

Staff will review the Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Fund Early Response application. Projects ideas focused around the WHPA-A in Rosslyn Village will be suggested at the next Source Protection Committee meeting. Municipal involvement will be required to insure success of any stewardship activities proposed within WHPA-A.

9. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) File: City of Thunder Bay Backflow Prevention Program

For information purposes, a copy of the recent correspondence received from the City of Thunder Bay related to their Backflow Prevention Program was provided.

(b) File: Hamilton Halton Assessment Reports

For information purposes, the proposed text related to contaminants of emerging concern and the pathogens cryptosporidium and giardia that will be included in the Halton and Hamilton Assessment Reports was provided.

(c) File: Ministry of Environment

For information purposes, correspondence from the MOE related to training requirements for specific legislated roles and responsibilities under Part IV of the “Clean Water Act” was provided.

(d) File: Conservation Ontario

For information purposes, correspondence including Conservation Ontario’s comments provided on the “Legislative Framework for Modernizing Environmental Approvals” (EBR #010-9143) was provided.

(e) File: Drinking Water Guest Editorial for the “Chronicle Journal”

For information purposes, a copy of the Drinking Water Guest Editorial for the “Chronicle Journal”, written by Kerri Marshall, Manager of the Environment Division for the City of Thunder Bay was provided.

(f) File: Walkerton Article in the “Chronicle Journal”

For information purposes, a copy of an article related to the Walkerton tragedy anniversary as published in the “Chronicle Journal” on May 23, 2010 was provided.

(g) File: Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region

For information purposes, a copy of the material developed by the City of Cornwall and the Raisin-South Nation Source Protection Region related to Accessibility Training was provided.

10. ENVIRONMENTAL SCAN

11. NEW BUSINESS

A Committee Member noted that significant issues have been identified in Marathon, Ontario with regard to heating oil tanks and wanted to ensure that all steps have been taken to identify heating oil tanks within WHPAs and IPZs.

A letter from the Director outlining the Transportation Corridor Threats approved for the Cataraqui Region Conservation Authority was provided by the Chair.

An update on the SWP budget was provided by the LRCA General Manager/Secretary Treasurer.

12. OPEN DISCUSSION

The Project Manager thanked everyone for their contributions to the SWP program to date.

Source Protection Committee members congratulated the Project Manager on her new position.

The process of hiring a new SWP Project Manager has begun, advertisements have been posted. The deadline to apply for this position is July 16, 2010.

13. NEXT MEETING

August 4, 2010, 4:00 P.M.- a joint Lakehead Source Protection Authority and Committee Meeting at Hazelwood Lake Nature Centre

14. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

Meeting adjourned by consensus.

Bob Hartley, Chairman