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LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

MINUTES OF THE SIXTH REGULAR LAKEHEAD SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE MEETING

Minutes of the Sixth Regular Meeting of the Lakehead Source Protection Committee held on Wednesday, May 7, 2008, in the Boardroom of 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 Chair
Veikko Long – (Via Teleconference)
Jim Vukmanich
Guy Jarvis
Hartley Multamaki
Bernie Kamphof
Robert Stewart
Paul McAlister
Ross Chuchman

LIAISON MEMBERS

PRESENT:

Mervi Henttonen, LRCA General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer
Kate Turner, Ministry of Environment

ABSENT:

Chris Beveridge, Thunder Bay District Health Unit

ALSO PRESENT:

Melanie Mathieson, Source Protection Project Manager
John Cameron, Source Protection Communications Officer
Tammy Cook, LRCA Watershed Manager
Roman Augustyn, LRCA GIS/Data Specialist
John Langan, Stantec
Tim McBride, AMEC

Lakehead Source Protection Authority Board Members: Bill Bartley, Chair; Gary Murchison; Iain Angus; Linda Rydholm; Ed Chambers and David Hearn

City of Thunder Bay: Lynn Peterson, Mayor; Darrell Matson, Acting CAO; Kerri Marshall - Manager, Environment; Tony Santos - Acting Supervisor - Municipal Drinking Water Licensing Program; and Leslie McEachern - Manager Planning Division

Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge: Shannon Smith, Planner

1. ADOPTION OF AGENDA BY CONSENSUS

Agenda adopted by consensus.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of the Fifth Regular Meeting held Wednesday, April 2, 2008 were adopted as amended by consensus.

4. SOURCE PROTECTION PLANNING

Two presentations were provided at the Meeting updating technical studies for the two Municipal residential drinking water systems in the Lakehead Source Protection Area. Tim McBride of AMEC presented an “Overview of the Rosslyn Village Wellhead Protection Area Study while John Langan of Stantec provided an “Overview of the Bare Point Intake Protection Zone Study”.

The Committee were advised that the Ministry of Environment will not be amending the Time Limits Regulation in order to change the deadline for the submission of the Terms of Reference to Minister of Environment. The deadline is October 20, 2008.

The Lakehead Source Protection Committee will work to complete the Draft Proposed Terms of Reference to be posted for public review on June 20, 2008. The Committee agreed by consensus to host a “Open House” for public review of the Draft Proposed Terms of Reference on Tuesday, July 15. It was suggested the Open House be held at the office of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority.

Staff presented a preliminary draft of a print out from the Terms of Reference Wizard to provide Committee Members with a template of the information required. It was reviewed and discussed at the Meeting.

Staff will work on a “report format” that details information from the Terms of Reference Wizard that is easy to read and understand that will be consistent for both public consultation and submission to the Minister of Environment.

Members viewed two paintings commissioned from Ms. Ruth Tye McKenzie that will be used for communication products for public outreach. A roll-it-up banner titled “Watershed Connections” design using one of the paintings was on display at the Meeting.

Members were also provided with two Lakehead Region Conservation Authority Fact Sheets outlining project deliverables and the Watershed Characterization Report.

5. SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

Committee Members were provided with the Minutes of the Source Protection Committee Chairs Meeting held in Toronto March 3 and 4, 2008. The updated responses from the Ministry of Environment to issues raised at the Chairs Meeting were also provided to Committee Members.

It was noted that the Source Protection Committee “Meet and Greet” held at the Oliver Road Community Centre on April 9, 2008 was a success with 30-35 people attending.

6. WATER RELATED ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SOURCE PROTECTION AREA

It was noted that the Source Protection Project Manager made a presentation at the Ontario Groundwater Association Regional Meeting held in Thunder Bay on April 14, 2008.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

(a) File: Septic Inspection Update from MOE

For information purposes, the Ministry of Environment provided clarification on questions raised around the proposed Regulation from the Ministry of Municipal Affairs and Housing relating to the septic re-inspection program.

8. NEW BUSINESS

It was noted that the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority will provide Source Protection outreach materials to RBC Royal Bank for an event that they will be hosting at Cascades Conservation Area on June 8, 2008.

It was noted that the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority received a request from the Resource Management Program at Sir Winston Churchill High School for Source Protection materials to be used in class room instruction.

9. SOURCE PROTECTION PROJECT UPDATE

The Maps and Report for the Watershed Characterization Report are being printed and should be ready for distribution to Members by late May. The Lakehead Conceptual and Tier 1 Water Budget Report is expected from Gartner Lee by early summer upon completion of revisions from comments provided for the Final Draft.

The Final Draft of the Rosslyn Village Wellhead Protection Area Study from AMEC is under review by Staff of the LRCA and Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge, while Stantec will carry out final data collection for the Bare Point Intake Protection Zone Study in early May before submitting a Final Draft to the City of Thunder Bay.

10. OPEN DISCUSSION

A progress report on how other Source Protection Areas and Source Protection Regions across the province are meeting timelines in relation to the development of a Proposed Draft Term of Reference was requested from the MOE Liaison Member for the next Meeting.

It was noted that senior Staff of the Lakehead Region Conservation Authority will meet with senior Staff of the City of Thunder Bay and the Municipality of Oliver Paipoonge to discuss training for Staff required to execute power of entry for inspections relating to the “Clean Water Act” and the Source Protection Planning process.

11. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, June 4, 2008.

12. ADJOURNMENT BY CONSENSUS

Adjourned by consensus, at 7:17 p.m.