SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE

MINUTES – MEETING #79

MEETING: SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
DATE: FRIDAY, MARCH 29, 2019
TIME: 1:00 P.M.
LOCATION: GREY SAUBLE CONSERVATION, OWEN SOUND ON

CALL TO ORDER

Chair called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

In Attendance: Chair, Bill Twaddle
Bruce Davidson, Stan Eby, Robert Emerson, John Fruin, Dick Hibma,
Dennis Kefalas, Angela Newman, Les Nichols, Gord Timmerman, Mitch
Twolan, Jim Uram

Others Present: Olga Yudina, Ex-officio, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and
Parks (MECP)
Angela Newman, Ex-officio member, Grey-Bruce Health Unit
Carl Seider, Project Manager, Drinking Water Source Protection (DWSP)
Nancy Guest, Recording Secretary, DWSP

Also in Attendance: Cathy Little, Chair, Grey Sauble Conservation
Scott Greig, Director, Grey Sauble Conservation
Wayne Brohman, General Manager/Secretary-Treasurer, Saugeen Conservation
Karen Gillan, Communications Specialist, DWSP
Michele Desjardin, Water Research Assistant, Chippewas of Nawash
Tyson Denning, Water Treatment Assistant, Chippewas of Nawash

Regrets: Tara Saab

The Chair remembered former SPC member Carolyn Day who passed away in early December
2018. Carolyn was a hard-working, caring SPC member and her contribution to the Committee
will never be forgotten.

The Chair introduced and welcomed the new and reappointed members to the Committee,
Dennis Kefalas, Mitch Twolan, John Fruin and Jim Uram, all representing municipal sectors, Les
Nichols representing the agricultural sector and Dick Hibma, representing the public sector.
1. Adoption of Agenda

Motion No. SPC-19-287
Moved by Stan Eby
Seconded by Angela Newman

THAT the Agenda be adopted as distributed.

Carried

2. Disclosure of Pecuniary or Conflict of Interest

Source Protection Committee (SPC) members were reminded to disclose any pecuniary interest that may arise during the course of the meeting. No disclosures of pecuniary interest were expressed at this time.

3. Adoption of Minutes

Motion No. SPC-19-288
Moved by Bruce Davidson
Seconded by Robert Emerson

THAT the Minutes of the November 23, 2018 Source Protection Committee meeting be adopted as distributed.

Carried

4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

No matters arose from the previous minutes.

5. Correspondence

Letter from Minister Phillips dated December 3, 2018 respecting SPP amendments approval was noted and filed.

6. Reports

Administration Report 6a

The Project Manager reviewed Administration Report 6a and advised that five-year terms for SPC members will be maintained. The Management Committee vetted the applications for new members and recommended candidates to the Lead Authority, Grey Sauble Conservation, who appointed the new members. There is still a need to renew or replace 2 remaining positions on the Committee, planned for the Fall of 2019 or early in 2020. The deadline to address all remaining original members is the end of 2020.

Fourteen meetings were held with municipalities to address municipal implementation, specifically addressing requirements for Official Plan and by-law amendments. There has been some turnover at the municipal staffing level, therefore it was important to provide updated program information and orientation sessions for new municipal councils.
Most of the budget that was requested in the 2019/2020 workplan was approved by the Ministry. Approximately eight municipal meetings respecting consultation on Source Protection Plan amendments are anticipated in the upcoming year.

Communications Report 6b

The Communications Specialist reviewed Communications Report 6b with a short video and also commented on several events that were attended. The group was reminded of the upcoming Children’s Water Festival on May 14 to 16, 2019 and the need for volunteers. Please contact Karen Gillan at 519-470-3000 X 205 if interested in volunteering.

7. New Business

Risk Management Office Update Report 7a

The Project Manager reviewed Risk Management Office Update Report 7a and distributed sample copies of a Risk Management Plan (RMP) for members to review. The Project Manager advised that the RMP is subject to the Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (MFIPPA) regulations and any personal information would be redacted. It was noted that to-date approximately 100 RMPs have been completed out of a total 200 possible Plans.

Annual Progress Report Submission Report 7b

The Project Manager reviewed Annual Progress Report Submission Report 7b and advised that the period covered in the Report is from July 1, 2016 to December 31, 2018. All three Source Protection Authorities (SPAs) will be shown the Report after the SPC has added its comments and before it is presented to the Ministry. The Annual Progress Report was reviewed by the SPC and comments were added as follows:

The great progress to-date on source protection plan implementation was made possible with the strong support and direct involvement of municipalities, agricultural and industry sectors, as well as other environmental and health related stakeholder groups. It is important to note that there is an ongoing need for financial and stakeholder support and to not lose focus as the program approaches full implementation. While the number of remaining policies to be fully implemented is decreasing, the effort to address all significant threat policies will likely increase over the next couple years as we approach the established implementation deadlines.

On page 6 of the Report, the Project Manager noted that Drinking Water Protection Zone road signs have increased from 138 to 152 due to the Ministry of Transportation installing an additional 14 road signs that were reported since the original preparation of the Report. The Report has been amended accordingly.

Motion No. SPC-19-289

Moved by Bruce Davidson
Seconded by Dick Hibma

THAT: the Source Protection Committee endorses the overall assessment of “P: Progressing Well/On Target”;
AND FURTHER THAT: the Source Protection Committee has the following comments to be included in the Annual Progress Report prior to submission to the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks:

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Carried

Section 36 Work Plan Update Report 7c

The Project Manager reviewed Section 36 Work Plan Update Report 7c and advised that the items listed in the report will be reviewed in detail prior to the Work Plan being submitted to the Ministry by November 30, 2019.

8. Other Business

SPC member, Bruce Davidson, advised of several environmental initiatives in the Walkerton area.

There was no other business.

9. Confirmation of Next Meeting and Adjournment

The next Committee meeting will be held on Friday, July 26, 2019 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Saugeen Valley Conservation Authority Administrative Offices in Formosa, Ontario.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 p.m.

Bill Twaddle
Chair

Nancy Guest
Recording Secretary