



**THE CATARAQUI SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE
MINUTES NOTES # 61**

Wednesday March 21, 2018 (7:00 PM)
General Purpose Room, Outdoor Centre, Little Cataraqui Creek Conservation Area

Present: John Williamson, Chair Chris Mangan-Greene John Conley
Greg Newman Ross Sutherland Nona Mariotti
Richard Lindgren Richard Bresee Kathleen Laird
Michael Farrell

Regrets: Gary Davison Peter Raabe
Mary Wooding Jeff Peters
Joan Green Kim Sytsma

Staff Present: Katrina Furlanetto, Coordinator, Source Protection
Rob McRae, Manager Watershed Planning & Engineering

Chair John Williamson called the Cataraqui Source Protection Committee (Committee) meeting to order at 7:07 P.M.

Roll Call and Mileage and Notice of Proxies

There were 8 of 12 voting members present and 0 proxies.

Adoption of Agenda

Agenda was adopted.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were none.

Acknowledgement of Previous Meeting Minutes (March 7, 2018)

Previous minutes passed via e-poll.

Business Arising

There were none.

Delegations

There were none.

Correspondence

There were none.

Updates from the Source Protection Committee

a) Roundtable Updates from the Source Protection Committee

Richard Bresee noted electric ferries to and from Wolfe Island and Amherst Island are planned over the next several years.

Nona Mariotti noted CBC news features evening water resources topics. Katrina Furlanetto to show an example at the next Committee meeting and circulate related podcast links.

Richard Lindgren noted World Water Day is March 22. Katrina Furlanetto noted the 2018 Cataraqui Watershed Report Card will be circulated that day and a link will be provided.

John Williamson noted he will remind the Township of Leeds and the Thousand Islands of their commitment to completing significant drinking water threat management (e.g., risk management plans).

b) Annual Reporting Committee Rationale Review (Staff Presentation)

Katrina Furlanetto drafted a rationale on behalf of the Source Protection Committee with the Chair to outline the discussion on grading the overall implementation efforts in the Cataraqui Source Protection Area as “Satisfactory”. Ms. Furlanetto reviewed the rationale and all were in favour.

Business/Reports

a) Summary of Proposed Amendments and Updates from the Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (Staff Presentation)

Katrina Furlanetto provided a presentation outlining the Director’s Technical Rules Phase 2 progress and noted the upcoming workplan cannot include current discussions until approved by the Ministry, likely in 2019.

Ms. Furlanetto noted the progress of a climate change risk assessment document being developed by a steering committee, academic advisory group, Conservation Ontario and the MOECC. A draft will be circulated to the Committee for review once received.

Greg Newman asked about the level of detail for groundwater vulnerability assessments being conducted by the Province and whether any ground truthing would follow. Ms. Furlanetto will inquire with the Ministry and report back.

b) Source Protection Draft Workplan Outline (Staff Presentation)

Katrina Furlanetto presented draft workplan considerations to the Committee for discussion and reported back on questions posed from the Committee at the November 30, 2018 meeting.

Richard Bresee noted increasing water levels could be affecting IPZ delineations and should be considered.

Small quantities of waste management policies were discussed regarding whether risk management plan should be modified to education and outreach policies for effective implementation. The Committee noted there is support for risk management plans having a collective approach to waste, with an emphasis on education and outreach, while considering the level of effort required to achieve this management strategy.

Nona Mariotti noted there is a concern for oil tanks in flooded marinas along the shoreline of intake protection zones, specifically in Gananoque. Ms. Furlanetto will investigate their impact and advise the Committee at a further meeting.

The Committee noted policies pertaining to aquaculture, and aircraft deicing should not be removed in the upcoming update.

Ms. Furlanetto noted an agricultural prohibition impact assessment is to be included in the workplan outlining whether any policies should be amended because of the analysis to inform MOECC and the Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food, and Rural Affairs of potential cumulative impacts on the landscape. Richard Lindgren and the Chair noted concerns with implications on agricultural policies. Ms. Furlanetto will circulate the guidance documents and requirement specifications to the Chair for further discussion.

A draft of the workplan will be provided to the Committee at the end of April. Once reviewed, the document will be submitted to the Cataraqui Source Protection Authority for approval in May followed by circulation to the public and municipal partners for comment on the cleanwatercataraqui.ca website.

Announcements or Inquiries

On April 17th, 2018, there will be a private wells and septic system workshop held in Lansdowne from 6:30-9pm. A property self-assessment workbook will be available to all participants. Registration is required by April 9, 2018. A final version of the workbook will be provided to the Committee once complete.

There is a consultant-focused workshop to be held on April 23, 2018 in Woodstock, Ontario or via webinar to speak about source water protection, prescribed instruments, nutrient management strategies and the role of education and outreach in daily business practices. Additional details will be circulated.

Chris Mangan-Greene noted the Aquatarium in the Brockville IPZ should be investigated as a potential activity impacting the adjacent intake. Katrina Furlanetto will follow-up.

Motions / Notice of Motion

There were none.

Opportunity for Questions from the Media

There were none.

IN CAMERA Session

There was none.

Next Meeting

To be determined. Katrina Furlanetto noted the next meeting will most likely be held in June.

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40pm.

John Williamson, Chair

Katrina Furlanetto
Coordinator, Source Protection