

THE CATARAQUI SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE - MINUTES OF MEETING
72

Thursday, March 3, 2022

Zoom

Participants: John Williamson, Chair
Steven Allen
John Conley
Michael Farrell
Richard Lindgren
Chris Mangan-Greene
Nona Mariotti
Jeff Peters
Natasha Prepas-Strobeck
Terry Shea
Kim Sytsma

**Non-voting
Participants:** Adora Kwong
Niall Oddie
Gordon Ohlke
Mary Wooding

Regrets: Ric Bresee

**Participating
Staff:** Donna Campbell, Assistant, Chair & General Manager
Katrina Furlanetto, General Manager
Kelsey Guerette, Source Protection Coordinator

In response to recommendations by the Province of Ontario and public health officials for mitigating and responding to the Coronavirus pandemic (COVID-19) meetings are not held in-person, therefore, this Cataraqui Source Protection Committee meeting was convened virtually via Zoom.

Chair John Williamson called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

1) **Roll Call, Notice of Proxies and introductions**

There were eleven (11) voting members who participated in the meeting and no proxies.

The Chair introduced new Central area municipal member Niall Oddie. Niall's appointment is pending Cataraqui Source Protection Authority approval so he participated as a non-voting

member. He is currently a Senior Planner with the City of Kingston and has worked in rural county areas as a municipal Planner.

2) **Adoption of Agenda**

No changes to agenda.

Moved by John Conley and seconded by Michael Farrell.

3) **Declarations of Conflict of Interest**

There were none.

4) **Acknowledgement of Previous Meeting Minutes**

The minutes of November 24, 2021 were accepted on a motion by Richard Lindgren and seconded by Nona Mariotti.

5) **Business Arising**

There were none.

6) **Delegations**

There were none.

7) **Correspondence**

- a) Minister’s Annual Report on Drinking Water 2021 and Chief Drinking Water Inspector Annual Report dated December 23, 2021
- b) Ministry Risk Management Official and Inspector Training Notification dated January 27, 2022
- c) Staffing announcement at Conservation and Source Protection Branch dated January 10, 2022

Resolution: CSPC-001-22
 Moved By: Terry Shea
 Seconded By: Kim Sytsma

That the correspondence, **Be Received.**

8) **Updates from the Source Protection Committee**

- a) Roundtable Updates from the Source Protection Committee

John Williamson, Chair	Noted that the PMs and Chairs in the east got together and drafted a letter to the director noting various concerns and challenges. The Ministry addressed several of these concerns with the release of the Best Practices and Directors Technical Rules Guidance. John also noted it would be a good idea for the City of Kingston (Niall) to consider vulnerable populations while drafting the zoning by-law.
Steven Allen	Nothing to report at this time.
John Conley	Nothing to report at this time.
Michael Farrell	Nothing to report at this time.
Richard Lindgren	Noted article he distributed to John on Water Canada, “Keeping Ontario’s Drinking Water Safe”.
Chris Mangan-Greene	Noted the presence of drinking water protection zone signs in Mallorytown and the need to educate the public. She also noted the implications of road salt on surface water.
Nona Mariotti	Mentioned a free e-magazine, Our Lakes https://ourlakes.ca/ Noted a Friends of the Tay Watershed Gypsy Moth webinar she attended on February 24, 2022 presented by Eric Boysen. Presentation can be found here: https://www.taywatershed.ca/documents/LLD-Presentation-slides.pdf

	UN General Meeting in August 2021, there will be two action days this summer for wetlands.
Jeff Peters	Noted that spring is a challenging time for farms with lots of runoff.
Natasha Prepas-Strobeck	Nothing to report at this time.
Terry Shea	As a follow-up to the November meeting, Terry noted the City of Kingston is committed to replacing the bridge over the watercourse through Dunham park. Terry recently saw signage noting the replacement for 2022.
Kim Sytsma	Nothing to report at this time.
Niall Oddie	Work on City of Kingston’s new zoning by-law is progressing well and we’ve been working with Kelsey on the Source Water Protection portion.
Adora Kwong	KFL&A is now hoping to shift focus from pandemic response with more focus in the future on source water.
Gordon Ohlke	Noted the Health unit is no longer doing septic inspections. Risk management update noting that the 32 potential risk management plans is now down to 11 mostly due to switch to natural gas.

b) Local Drinking Water Source Protection Program and Risk Management Update – Kelsey Guerette, Source Protection Coordinator

Kelsey provided an update on the following items:

The Directors Technical Rules. Kelsey noted they were released in December and guidance for the rules were released in February. Kelsey is currently reviewing the rule changes and will bring forward an update/summary at a following meeting. The eastern PMs continue meeting monthly to discuss mutual updates for consistency across the region.

The 2022 Municipal Forum is being held March 24th from 1:30 to 3:30. The meeting invite will be issued. The forum is about drinking water and climate with speakers from Loyalist, Conservation Ontario, Health Canada and the Lake Huron and Elgin Area Water Systems.

Current DWSP communication initiatives. Kelsey mentioned the Municipal newsletter, with the next issue in the spring and Cat Tales articles on topics related to source water are being posted on the CRCA website monthly (<https://cataraquiconservation.ca/blogs/2022-news?page=1>)

As amending legislation regarding COVID mandates is being released Kelsey noted the current CRCA vaccination policy is staying in place, and any updates or changes will be communicated with the SPC.

c) Provincial Drinking Water Source Protection Program, Mary Wooding Source Protection Liaison

Mary Wooding provided the following updates:

Noted that the director has been meeting with each of the Chairs and will be meeting with them each again. Mary also noted the release of the Directors Technical Rules and Guidance along with the Best Practices.

Transfer payment agreements for source protection authorities to support the source protection program are underway and discussions with Kelsey have occurred to work on finalizing the funding agreement for the Cataraqui Source Protection Area.

Mary indicated Conservation Ontario has been involved in many education and outreach campaigns for source water protection. These include the Drinking Water Road Sign Campaign (<https://storymaps.arcgis.com/stories/06e315c7de6c4b289993e01534104a2e>), and the Winter Wednesdays social media campaign which discusses topics such as the use of road salts. On the topic of road salts Chris and John noted that several universities and institutions may have research on road salt implications to the natural environment.

9) **Business/Reports**

a) Annual Source Protection Implementation Report (Report IR-029-22-CSPC)

Kelsey provided a presentation on the Annual Implementation Progress Reporting ([Attachment #1](#))

S.19 Question on parameters no longer monitored such as Sodium at some of the DWTPs. Kelsey noted that the operators indicated at Miller Manor and Cana some of the parameters of concern are no longer monitored in the raw water but are monitored in the treated water. Follow-up on future sampling will occur.

S.20 Question on whether railways are considered as spills could happen on the railways. Kelsey noted that railways are considered as transportation corridors and would be addressed through education and outreach based on the draft policy, for the section 36 source protection plan update, presented at the November meeting.

Kelsey noted there was an update under Category 7, Water Quality, as updates from the Drinking Water Treatment Plant operators on the monitoring of the parameters of concern continued passed the issuance of the meeting package. No changes made to scoring or grade, but additional information added to report.

Resolution: CSPC-002-22
Moved By: Natasha Prepas-Strobeck
Seconded By: Steve Allen

That Report IR-029-22-CSPC, Annual Source Protection Implementation Report, **Be Received, As Amended;** and,

That the Committee **Approve** an overall scoring of **S: Satisfactory** for policy implementation progress in the Cataraqui Source Protection Area; and,

That Cataraqui Conservation staff **Be Directed** to present the Annual Progress Summary Report to the Cataraqui Source Protection Authority, pending any changes discussed at the March 23, 2022 meeting, for approval and submission to the Ministry of the Environment Conservation and Parks.

Carried

b) Communications Report (Report IR-030-22-CSPC)

No further feedback received.

Resolution: CSPC-003-22
Moved By: Jeff Peters
Seconded By: John Conley

That Report IR-030-22-CSPC, Report on Communications, **Be Received.**

Carried

10) Announcements or Inquiries

There were none.

11) Motions/Notice of Motion

There were none.

12) Opportunity for Questions from the Media

There were no questions.

13) IN CAMERA Session

This was not required.

14) Next Meeting

To be held at the call of the Chair.

15) Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m. on a motion by Chris Mangan-Green, seconded by Terry Shea.

John Williamson, Chair

Kelsey Guerette,
Coordinator, Source Protection