

## Source Protection Committee

Minutes of Meeting of the Essex Region Source Protection Committee (SPC) held on **Wednesday, January 8, 2020**, in the Essex Civic Centre, Committee Room C, 360 Fairview Avenue West, Essex, Ontario.

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<b>Members Present:</b>	John Barnett	Cynthia Ouellet (attending through teleconference)
	Ron Barrette	Nelson Santos
	Paul Drca – carrying proxy for Antonietta Giofu	Chris Snip
	Jim Drummond	Ian Wilson – carrying proxy for Cynthia Ouellet
	Bill Dukes	Victoria Peczulis (attending on behalf of Philip Wong, Health Unit Liaison)
	Tom Fuerth (Chair)	Larry Verbeke (SPA Liaison)
	Kevin Girard	Tea Pesheva, (MECP Liaison) (attending through teleconference)
	Thom Hunt	
	Tim Mousseau	

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**Absent:**

**Regrets:** Jean-Marc Beneteau                                  Antonietta Giofu

**Staff:** Katie Stammer, Project Manager, Source Water Protection/Water Quality Scientist  
Laura Monforton, Risk Management Official/ Inspector

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**Delegates:**

**Guests:** Warren Higgins (OCWA), Heather Crewe (General Public)

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## **CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair of the SPC, Tom Fuerth, called the meeting to order at 4:00pm.

## **CHAIRS WELCOME**

Chair Tom Fuerth welcomed everyone to the meeting. Good afternoon and Happy New Year, everyone.

Please welcome our new MECP Liaison, Tea Pesheva. Thank you for joining the Essex Region's Source Protection Committee meeting through teleconference this afternoon. We are excited to learn more about your experience with the ministry and we look forward to meeting with you.

We recently received information that Susan Ecclestone, Director of the Drinking Water Source Protection Program has transferred to a different branch at the MECP as the Director (Acting) of the Species At Risk. Debbie Scanlon will be Director (Acting) until the position has been filled.

I would also like to take this opportunity to welcome back SPC member, Justine Taylor, from the Ontario Greenhouse of Vegetable Growers (OGVG). We are very happy to have you serving on the SPC again, which is back to 15 active members. Justine could not join us this afternoon but she will be replacing Nathan Warkentin.

## **DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

### **AGENDA**

1. The Agenda for the Meeting of the Essex Region Source Protection Committee (SPC) held on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020

Resolution SPC 01/20                      Moved by    Chris Snip

Seconded by    Nelson Santos

*THAT the Agenda for the Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020, Meeting of the Essex Region Source Protection Committee (SPC) be approved*

- CARRIED

### **MINUTES**

1. Minutes of the Meeting of the Source Protection Committee (SPC) held on Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019

Resolution SPC 02/20                      Moved by    Ron Barrette

Seconded by    Jim Drummond

*THAT the Minutes for the Wednesday, October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Meeting of the Essex Region Source Protection Committee (SPC) be approved as presented*

- CARRIED

## **CORRESPONDENCE**

None

## **SOURCE PROTECTION AUTHORITY (SPA) INFORMATION**

None

## **MECP LIAISON'S UPDATE**

Tea Pesheva introduced herself and informed the SPC about her background at the ministry within the Source Protection Branch and beyond.

The following updates were given to the SPC:

- Ms. Pesheva reiterated that Susan Eccelstone transferred to a new department at MECP and Debbie Scanlon will be temporarily acting as the Director of the Source Protection Branch
- Focused consultation with municipalities and SPA staff was completed by the MECP for Phase II of the Technical Rules in November at various locations to coordinate inputs from Source Protection Project Managers, municipalities and other agencies. The MECP will look more closely at comments provided in preparation of posting the proposal of Phase II of the Technical Rules to the EBR for review
- A Climate Change Assessment Tool was developed by Conservation Ontario in consultation with MECP and the Ontario Climate Consortium. Conservation Ontario will be delivering a training session at the end of January at Upper Thames River Conservation Authority in London and would recommend the participation of water treatment plant operators, municipal staff and other agencies.
- All nineteen Chairs have now been appointed across the Source Protection Areas in Ontario
- Implementing bodies that are required to implement policies within their local Source Protection Plans are required to submit annual reports to their Source Protection Authority by February 1, 2020
- The province has announced it is extending the moratorium on water-taking bottling permits until October 1, 2020
- The ministry has received 2020 funding applications and will be moving forward with the consultation process with Source Protection Authorities

## **PRESENTATION**

None

## **REPORTS**

1. **Report SPC 01/20** – S. 36 Update – Significant Groundwater Recharge Areas

Resolution SPC 03/20 Moved by Thom Hunt

Seconded by Tim Mousseau

*THAT Report SPC 01/20 be accepted for information and discussion purposes, and further;  
THAT ERSPA staff complete the updates to the SPP, AR, maps and appendices as described  
within Report SPC 01/20, and further;*

*THAT the above amendments be submitted to the MECP for Early Consultation*

2. **Report SPC 02/20** – S.36 Update – Liquid Hydrocarbon Pipelines

Resolution SPC 04/20 Moved by Ian Wilson

Seconded by Paul Drca

*THAT Report SPC 02/20 be accepted for information and discussion purposes, and further;*

*THAT the ERSPA staff develop policies and/or updates to the Explanatory Document as  
directed by the SPC*

- CARRIED

## **OTHER BUSINESS** - Katie Stammler provided an update

1. Phase II Proposed Source Water Program Update
2. CELA – Application for Review submitted to the Environmental Registry – RE: Clean Water Act, 2006 and Ontario Regulation 287/07 dated 21 Dec 2019

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None

## **MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

Resolution SPC 05/20 Moved by Tim Mousseau

Seconded by Paul Drca

*THAT the meeting be adjourned.*

- CARRIED

## **DATE – NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting of the Source Protection Committee (SPC) is scheduled for March 11, 2020.