

Upper Thames River Source Protection Authority Meeting Watershed Conservation Centre Boardroom London, Ontario Tuesday, September 24, 2015

Members Present: M.Blackie J.Klumper

T.Birtch S.Levin
M.Blosh N.Manning
R.Chowen H.McDermid
A.Hopkins J.McKelvie
M.Ryan

M.Ryan G.Way

Regrets: M.Campbell T.Jackson

K.Van Kooten-Bossence

Solicitor: G.Inglis

Guest: Bob Bedggood

Staff: B. Gallagher T.Hollingsworth

S.Gillingwater S.Johnson
B.Glasman C.Merkley
R.Goldt C.Tasker
C.Harrington I.Wilcox

Guests from the Not for Profit Management Program at Western University: Nicole Graden and Stephanie Bizare were in attendance.

As a result of the recent announcements the Chair requested the Board to convene briefly as the Source Protection Authority.

N. Manning moved—G. Way seconded:-

"RESOLVED that the UTRCA Board of Directors convene as the Source Protection Authority." CARRIED.

1. Adoption of Agenda

The members adopted the agenda as presented.

- 2. Business for Information
- (a) Source Protection Plan Approval Announcement

The Chair explained the UTRCA Board of Directors also serves as the Source Protection Authority under the Clean Water Act. In November the UTRCA Board met as a Source Protection Authority to direct staff to submit the Source Protection Plan for approval. She introduced Bob Bedggood, Chair of the Thames-Sydenham and Region Source Protection Committee.

B Bedggood reported that on Wednesday, September 16, 2015 the updated Assessment Reports for the Region were approved by the Director, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change. The Assessment Reports document an extensive understanding of the drinking water sources and the activities which can threaten them.

On Thursday, September 17 the first Source Protection Plan for the Thames-Sydenham and Region was approved by the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change. This Source Protection Plan is the culmination of almost a decade of work. The Upper Thames River Conservation Authority has been working with the St Clair Region and Lower Thames Valley Conservation Authorities and the dedicated members of the Source Protection Committee to prepare for this approval since before the Chair was appointed in 2007. B. Bedggood noted the plan will take effect on December 31, 2015.

Mr. Wilcox noted the huge milestone that has been reached with the development of the plan and the technical information and advanced learning that the plan has created. He congratulated the three Conservation Authorities and thanked B. Bedggood and C. Tasker for their leadership throughout the process and M. Blackie for his continued service on the Committee.

N. Manning moved - S. Levin seconded:-

"RESOLVED that the Source Protection Authority Meeting be adjourned."

I.Wilcox
General Manager

CARRIED.

Jane McKelvie
Chair

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