



Notice of Meeting

Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority

Thursday, February 4, 2021

7:00 p.m.

This meeting will be held by WebEx videoconference.

The meeting will be at the beginning of the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board of Directors meeting and can be viewed live on HCA's You Tube Channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/HamiltonConservation>

- 1. Call to Order** – Ferguson
- 2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest**
- 3. Approval of Agenda**
- 4. Minutes of Previous Meeting (December 3, 2020)**
- 5. Business Arising from the Minutes**
- 6. New Business**
 - 6.1. Source Protection Committee Member Appointment** – Chitra Gowda
- 7. In-Camera Items**
- 8. Next Meeting – To be determined**
- 9. Adjournment**

Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority

Minutes

Board of Directors Meeting

December 3, 2020

Minutes of the Board of Directors meeting held on Thursday, December 3, 2020, at 7.p.m., by videoconference and livestreamed via YouTube

PRESENT: **Lloyd Ferguson – in the Chair**
 Dan Bowman **Brad Clark**
 Jim Cimba **Chad Collins**
 Susan Fielding **Tom Jackson**
 Cynthia Janzen **Santina Moccio**
 Esther Pauls **Maria Topalovic**

Margaret Reid – Foundation Chair

REGRETS: **None**

STAFF PRESENT: **Lisa Burnside, Grace Correia, Gord Costie, Matt Hall, Neil McDougall, Scott Peck, Jaime Tellier, and Nancy Watts**

OTHERS: **Chitra Gowda - Senior Manager, Watershed Planning and Source Protection**
 Nick Klip, Brian Lennie, and Ryan Park – Enbridge Gas Inc.
 Carol Town and Catherine Weir – McCormack Trail Access Committee

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone present, reminding the members of their role as Directors on the Hamilton Conservation Authority Board to also serve as the Board of Directors for the Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority.

2. Declarations of Conflict of Interest

There were none.

3. Approval of the Agenda

The Chair requested any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were none.

SP 2009 **MOVED BY: Cynthia Janzen**
SECONDED BY: Brad Clark

THAT the agenda be approved.

CARRIED

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting (September 3, 2020)

SP 2010 **MOVED BY: Brad Clark**
SECONDED BY: Chad Collins

THAT the minutes of the Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority meeting held on September 3, 2020, be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

5. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was none.

6. New Business

6.1. Source Protection Committee Member and Liaison Update

Chitra Gowda provided a summary of the report, advising the members that Dr. Bart Harvey (Associate Medical Officer of Health, City of Hamilton Public Health Services) was appointed as the health liaison for the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee. A recruitment process to fill a general public member position on the committee is also underway.

SP 2011 **MOVED BY: Santina Moccio**
SECONDED BY: Maria Topalovic

THAT the Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority receives for information the Staff report Source Protection Committee Member and Liaison Update.

CARRIED**6.2. Clean Water Act Technical Rules**

Chitra Gowda presented a summary of the report and answered the members' questions.

The Chair thanked Ms. Gowda for the reports.

SP 2012**MOVED BY: Maria Topalovic
SECONDED BY: Dan Bowman****THAT the Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority receives for information the Staff report Clean Water Act Technical Rules.****CARRIED****7. In-Camera Items**

There were no in-camera items.

8. Next Meeting

Next meeting – to be determined.

9. Adjournment

On a motion, the meeting adjourned.



Report

TO: Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority

FROM: Lisa Burnside, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO)

RECOMMENDED BY: T. Scott Peck, MCIP, RPP, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer/Director, Watershed Planning & Engineering

PREPARED BY: Chitra Gowda, Senior Manager, Watershed Planning and Source Protection

MEETING DATE: February 4, 2021

RE: Source Protection Committee Member Appointment

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

THAT the Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority appoint Christopher Murray as the general public representative on the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee for a five-year term.

BACKGROUND

The role of a source protection committee is to guide the review and updating of the source protection plan using a science-based approach and consider relevant information. The Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Committee is comprised of nine members and the Chair. The members act as liaisons for their sectors, and regularly attend committee and public meetings. The member composition is as follows:

- three members representing municipalities
- two members representing the agricultural sector
- one member representing industrial/commercial sector
- three members representing the public interest at large – focused on environment and health.

Ontario Regulation 288/07 under the *Clean Water Act* sets out the criteria for membership on a source protection committee, including notification of vacancies, and conditions and terms of appointment. The Hamilton Region and Halton Region Source

Protection Authorities appoint the Committee membership, except for the Chair who is appointed by the Minister, Environment, Conservation and Parks.

At the end of September 2020, staff learnt about the passing away of Glenn Powell who was an active member on several committees including the HHSPC where he represented the public interest at large. Glenn was an integral member of the committee and he provided a valued contribution to water protection.

Staff began the process in fall 2020 to recruit a member to represent the environmental, health and other interests of the general public. Staff prepared and posted a notice as required by the *Clean Water Act, 2006*, and other materials including an application form, to fill this position on the HHSPC. The vacancy was advertised from October 23 to December 4, 2020 using the source protection region website, social media (Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn), and the HHSPC was encouraged to share the posting widely. Eight persons applied for the position. Staff screened the applications for the legislated eligibility criteria.

In November 2020, permission was obtained from the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Management Committee (HHSPMC) to allow for the HHSPC member recruitment to be carried out by an interview panel comprised of HHSPMC members Barbara Veale (Halton Region Conservation Authority), Scott Peck (Hamilton Region Conservation Authority), and Bob Edmondson.

The interview panel came to a unanimous decision that the preferred candidate is Christopher Murray, an environmental professional with thirteen years of experience. Christopher is the Environmental & Regulatory Compliance Manager at Baffinland Iron Mines Corporation, where he is responsible for implementation and updates to the Project's regulatory permits and provides guidance to improve environmental compliance. He leads and participates in community meetings and workshops, increases awareness of environmental issues and initiatives, and fosters positive relationships with the Designated Inuit Organization and others. Christopher holds a master's degree in environmental science. Per the legislation, the term of appointment of a general public member to a source protection committee is five years.

In addition to the nine sector representative members, non-voting liaisons also participate in meetings of the HHSPC. Per the legislation, these liaisons are designated representatives of the Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks, Halton Region Source Protection Authority, Hamilton Region Source Protection Authority, and a representative of the medical officers of health for the health units in any part of the source protection region.

In October 2020 the City of Hamilton Public Health Services appointed Dr. Bart Harvey (Associate Medical Officer of Health, City of Hamilton Public Health Services) as the HHSPC health liaison, and Richard MacDonald (Manager, Food and Water Safety, City of Hamilton Public Health Services) as the alternate. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic associated demands, Dr. Harvey indicated in late November 2020 that Mr. MacDonald would be taking over as the HHSPC health liaison. HHSPR acknowledged this and

thanked them both for their efforts to ensure continuity of the health liaison membership on the HHSPC.

STAFF COMMENT

The recommended candidate has direct and ongoing environmental and stakeholder engagement experience relevant to the Halton-Hamilton Source Protection Plan.

STRATEGIC PLAN LINKAGE

The initiative refers directly to the HCA Strategic Plan 2019 - 2023:

- **Strategic Priority Area – Water Management**
 - Initiatives – Invest in programs to address the impacts of nutrient and sediment loading on watershed stream, creeks, rivers and receiving water bodies.

AGENCY COMMENTS

Not applicable.

LEGAL/FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

Not applicable.

CONCLUSIONS

Aligned with the requirements of the regulations under the *Clean Water Act*, the maintenance of Source Protection Committee membership is being undertaken by the source protection authorities. Staff are recommending the appointment of Christopher Murray as he is an eligible and qualified candidate to represent the public interests at large.