



## Dufferin Community Advisory Panel (CAP) Meeting Minutes

### **Meeting Date, Time & Location**

Tuesday January 19, 2010, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Teatro Conference & Event Centre

### **Participants**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Organization</b>
Cindy Lunau	Town of Milton Councilor
Julia Carslake	Local Neighbour
Janice Vansco	Local Neighbour
Kim Wilson	Local Neighbour
David Johnston	Niagara Escarpment Commission
Mark Graves	Dufferin Aggregates
Andrea Bourrie	Dufferin Aggregates
Letty Stevenson	Dufferin Aggregates

### **Regrets**

Jan Mowbray – Town of Milton Councilor  
Sandy Martin – Milton Chamber of Commerce

### **Guests**

Will Armes – Conestoga Rovers and Associates (CRA)

### **Minutes**

- Meeting called to order at 7:10 pm by Andrea Bourrie
- Mr. Wilson indicated he was attending to audit the meeting, but has other commitments. He may be available at a later time or for specific meetings, and indicated he would like to receive minutes and presentation materials from the meetings. He said he would talk to neighbours to encourage others to participate as well.

- Andrea moved to modify agenda to allow Will Armes to present first in order to allow members who had to leave early to get the full presentation and Q&A time. Motion passed.
- Will Armes from CRA gave a presentation on Hydrogeology. Open discussion and Q&A were facilitated throughout the presentation.
- Andrea asked if there were questions specific to the content of the presentation. She then opened the floor for discussion.
- Kim asked if the groundwater mound which shows localized movement to the north would exist if the quarry was not there. Will's response was it is a natural groundwater recharge area that existed prior to North Quarry extraction. Groundwater builds up and flows away in all directions. One of the primary purposes of the WMS in the extension is to maintain this northerly groundwater flow towards the 6<sup>th</sup> Line tributary. The local water table is defined in more detail due to the interests in quarry, relative to the regional groundwater table.
- Cindy asked if global sharing of information occurs now that we understand more about what is beneath us. Andrea responded that it occurs on a more local level, and provided the example of the work being done with source water protection which draws information from the aggregate industry.
- Kim raised his concern that he only gets water quality sampling done on an annual basis, and that he feels that residential wells should be included in the monitoring program. This is an unresolved issue. Andrea advised that a DFA representative would try and get in touch with him again at his convenience.
- Kim asked if monitoring is done quarterly. Andrea responded that monitoring is done monthly, but the recharge system is monitored regularly.
- Kim suggested that his well could be affected differently than his neighbours, and asked how we are confident in the quality and quantity? Andrea said there is a process in place and will follow up with him on his specific situation. It was mentioned that testing is done at the recharge wells and at an intermediate well, and the quality meets drinking water standards. [CORRECTION: the water in the recharge system is compared to surface water quality standards. Andrea apologizes for any confusion this may have caused]
- Cindy asked what happens if a problem is found with a residential water quality test, if there is a process to inform the homeowners and how quickly would this happen. Andrea responded that there is specific protocol for this. The homeowner would be contacted by the consultant and it would happen immediately. Dufferin would also be sent notice.
- Julia stated that the homeowners have a responsibility to have their water tested and that the Region recommends quarterly sampling as a minimum.
- Julia asked how extensive the monitoring network is, and if there are wells located outside of the property boundaries. Julia requested a list of

monitoring locations. Andrea explained that there are different monitoring programs in place in addition to the annual domestic well program testing for water quality.

- Janice mentioned she received a letter regarding high sodium in her water, and there seemed to be nothing she could do but install a Reverse Osmosis system. She also asked about hard water and what it means. Will Armes suggested she take a second sample to verify. Andrea mentioned she would get some information from the local health unit about water quality for distribution.
- Hydrogeology presentation will be sent with the meeting minutes.
- Reviewed minutes from last meeting. Date of last meeting stated incorrectly and will be corrected. Minutes adopted as read with date correction.
- Meeting requests will be sent out for 2010.
- Mark presented a formal process for responding to questions that could not be answered at meetings. Will send new document of responses with minutes.
- Town line turning circle construction has now been completed. We are checking the area every day for vandalism. Illegal dumping continues to be a problem. Have consulted with a security company for options and possible deterrents. DFA conducted a large spring clean up program last year and pulled out a large quantity of tires. Cindy mentioned about a new program where you can turn in used tires for money.
- Julia asked what topic will be discussed at the next meeting..
- Decided by group next presentation will be an update on the Water Management System by Richard Murphy from CRA, pending his availability.
- Topics suggested for future meetings:
  - Transportation (Cindy asked to include Acton 25<sup>th</sup> side road)
  - Ecology – wild life endangered species act

### **Next Steps**

- Minutes will be sent to CAP members for review
- Electronic meeting requests for 2010 sent out to CAP members
- Distribute formal response documents.
- Distribute Health Unit information on residential drinking water wells.

### **Next Meeting**

March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 (Tuesday), 7:00 pm at Teatro Conference & Event Centre