



**Dufferin Aggregates Milton Quarry
Community Advisory Panel (CAP)
Meeting Minutes**

Event:	Community Advisory Panel (CAP) Milton Quarry
Date & Time:	Wednesday May 8, 2019 7:01 – 7:58
Place:	Milton – Home2Suites Hilton
Chair:	Morgan Murphy, Smithcom Limited
Participants:	<u>CAP Members:</u> Walter Heyden, Dufferin Aggregates, Site Manager, Milton Quarry Letty Stevenson, Dufferin Aggregates, Milton Quarry Scott McCammon, Milton Chamber of Commerce Nancy Mott, Niagara Escarpment Commission Bryan Lewis, Halton Hills Councilor Stephen Ng Qui Sang, Neighbour Kristina Tesser Derksen, Town of Milton Councilor (new member) Anissa McAlpine, Planner, Niagara Escarpment Commission Shelly Varley, Neighbour Janice Vancso, Neighbour
Minutes:	Alia Ahmed, Smithcom Limited Ted Brown, Halton Hills Councilor
Regrets:	Colin Best, Town of Milton Councilor Nancy Tilt, Bruce Trail Jessie Spasov, Dufferin Aggregates, Sustainable Development Coordinator

Minutes

New member Anissa McAlpine introductions.

Morgan asked members to review the previous meeting minutes of March 6, 2019.

Walter – Two spelling errors to correct: on page 2, the “CPER underpass” should be changed to “CPR underpass” and on page 3 “Milton Mayor’s gold tournament” should be “Milton Mayor’s golf tournament.”

Walter – Motions to approve minutes barring the two minor edits.

Stephen – Approves motion

March 6, 2019 Meeting Minutes approved.

Walter updates the CAP on the Acton Quarry 2019 operations.

No production in 2019 at the Acton quarry. There is sufficient inventory for shipping to continue as usual, and finished product inventory will be shipped throughout 2019. What happens in 2020 has not been determined yet.

Bryan – It is important to note that Acton is NOT closed, production is only idled. Acton employees have been absorbed into other operations.

Walter – The plan is to use up the Acton quarry. To produce in Milton and continue to ship inventory from Acton.

The presentation update continues:

Traffic Enforcement:

- Program remains in place in 2019
- Covers Milton and Acton
- Third party firm engaged
- Progressive discipline system is in place for offenders

Third Party Haulers:

- Steeles Avenue pull-offs at inspection stations
- MTO/HP enforcement
- Haulers will be informed that they will be active

One to two times a year, MTO and Halton police do trucker enforcement on the site premises.

Bryan – Construction on the James Snow Parkway project has been delayed due to the bankruptcy of contractor (reading from notice).

ACTION ITEM – Provide more details for next meeting on the James Snow Parkway project.

Walter shares presentation on “DFA Milton Annual Training: Species at Risk” in place of Jessie Spasov.

Endangered Species:

The following laws govern Dufferin’s obligations in regard to endangered species:

- Ontario’s Endangered Species Act Section 9 (no killing, harming, or harassing of endangered species)
- Section 10 (habitat)
- Federal Migratory Birds Convention Act (no killing, harming, harassing)
- Ontario Fish and Wildlife Conservation Act has certain protections
- Violations include imprisonment or fines

CRH Canada’s Policy Species at Risk

- Report all sightings to environment, property and permit department
- Do not disturb species, nests, habitat
- Follow all Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources and Forestry (MNRF) regulations on endangered species

Species at Risk on Site at Milton:

- Butternut Tree – endangered (not due to human activity but disease)
- Jefferson Salamander – endangered (there are two ponds in the East Cell that have them. They are monitored. There are 35 other breeding pools in adjacent forests on Dufferin land and adjacent properties). As we expand the East Cell, fences are surrounding the ponds and we guide the salamanders to fall into (padded) paint cans and empty the can on other side of the fence. Both ponds are injected with water as needed to make sure salamander breeding levels remain optimal.
- Bank Swallow – threatened

ACTION ITEM – **Walter** to connect with Stephen re: butternut tree project.

There are no Butternut trees on the site anymore.

Other Potential Species at Risk on Site:

- Eastern Meadowlark
- Barn Swallow
- Bald Eagle
- Snapping Turtle
- Eastern Wood Pewee
- Wood Thrush

Bryan – The public should know more about what DFA’s obligations are and what it is doing regarding endangered species on its site.

ACTION ITEM –Consider sharing on DFA.

Follow up on the **ACTION ITEM** from the March meeting minutes regarding sending a “here’s what we’re doing” note to the community.

Walter shares fact sheet on endangered species.

Letty – There is upcoming tour of the Milton quarry.

Morgan – Suggests flyer, as a take away from the tour, on the ecological topic and other topics as well.

Walter – Salamanders take up the most active work right now.

Question and Answer/Open Discussion

Anissa – What happens when staffer finds an endangered species?

Walter – There is a full stop of activities in those areas. We get ahold of internal experts to determine if the species is indeed on the endangered species list. Ultimately, we will call in a third-party ecologist to make the final determination. We may engage the MNRF (for permits etc.) depending on what the animal is.

Bryan – What are the Milton hours of operation?

Walter – Production is from 7:30 am– 10:30/11pm. Shipping is from 5:00am to 5:00pm during the week, and Saturday is on demand. We send a letter to residents if there are any changes to the shipping hours.

Janice – How many times do you blast?

Walter – We blast four times a week.

Shelly – Is recycling getting big?

Walter – There are two things coming on site: asphalt and concrete (for turning into aggregate), and earth for rehabilitation (it needs to meet rehabilitation requirements). A lot of those trucks are taking material out on the back haul, going in full and coming out full i.e. 100% for fuel efficiency.

Bryan – Cities are tough to convince to use recycled materials. It is a very difficult sell for towns. Were you or someone from Dufferin at a “secret meeting” up at Bolton (of the Aggregate Resources Act Forum)?

Walter – I was not there but I imagine someone from our government relations group would have been.

Bryan – Would this meeting have any impact on our community, when it is no longer secret? It should be an **agenda item** at the appropriate time and we should be fully apprised of what the intent of the enterprise is.

Walter – We also opened one more section of the Bruce Trail, the area north of the West Cell, which has been reopened now. So north of the East Cell is the only area still closed right now. We meet with the Bruce Trail club at the start of every year.

ACTION ITEM – Walter will bring a Bruce Trail map to the next meeting.

For next meeting's agenda:

Colin will bring in a guest to talk about the truck traffic on Tremaine road.

Walter will bring a Bruce Trail map.

Update on the Aggregate Resources Act Forum (Ontario Sand, Stone and Gravel Association) will be given in due course

Morgan – The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 6, 2019.

Letty – Motion to adjourn.