



**Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO)
Adaptive Phased Management (APM) Project
Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting**

Thursday, March 5, 2015

MINUTES

The South Bruce Community Liaison Committee met on Thursday, March 5, 2015 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber, Municipality of South Bruce Municipal Office, 21 Gordon Street East, Teeswater.

Members Present: Mayor Robert Buckle; Councillor Margie Bates; Councillor Mark Goetz; Brian Knox; Les Nichols; Doug Culbert; Jim Gowland

Members Absent: George Miller

Also Present: Corbin Critchfield

NWMO Staff: Paul Austin, Relationship Manager for Southern Ontario; Mike Krizanc, Communications Manager

Municipal Staff: Sharon Chambers, CAO (arrived late, due to other municipal business); Julie Ireland, CLC Secretary

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** Jim Gowland called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
2. **ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR:** Julie Ireland, CLC Secretary, presided over the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair.

Julie Ireland called three times for nominations for the position of Chair of the SBCLC. The following nominations were received:

Nomination CLC-2015-1

**Moved by Les Nichols,
Seconded by Brian Knox;**

That Jim Gowland be nominated for the position of Chair Person of the SBCLC for the 2015-2018 Council term.

Nomination CLC-2015-2

**Moved by Margie Bates,
Seconded by Bob Buckle;**

That Doug Culbert be nominated for the position of Chair Person of the SBCLC for the 2015-2018 Council term.

Nomination CLC-2015-3

Moved by Doug Culbert,

Seconded by Jim Gowland;

That Les Nichols be nominated for the position of Chair Person of the SBCLC for the 2015-2018 Council term.

Julie Ireland called for any further nominations for the position of Chair Person. Seeing none, she declared nominations closed.

Each of the nominees were asked if they would like to have their name stand for the election of the Chair Person. The following were the results:

Jim Gowland – nomination stands

Doug Culbert – nomination stands

Les Nichols – requested that his nomination be withdrawn

Brian Knox asked for additional information about each of the candidates, and for an introduction of all members of the committee, due to the fact that this meeting was the first CLC meeting for new members of Council. Committee members proceeded to each provide a brief overview of their personal and professional experience, as well as a description of their interest in the APM project, and the CLC's role in that process.

A discussion also took place regarding the term of appointment for the Chair and Vice-Chair of the CLC. Julie Ireland advised that since there is no provision made for the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair during the term of the committee, that the appointment would be for the term of Council, unless Council passed a resolution requiring that the term of the Chair and Vice-Chair be different than the term of Council (two years, for example).

MOTION CLC-64

Moved by Bob Buckle,

Seconded by Les Nichols;

Committee

That the term of the Chair and Vice-Chair Persons of the SBCLC be for a four-year term, to coincide with the term of Council.

Motion: Carried

Following the committee introductions, the election process for the position of Chair Person was discussed. Julie Ireland advised that the voting process would be completed by members raising their hands, and that the name of each nominee would be called in the order that they were nominated. The following was the result of the voting:

Jim Gowland, for the position of CLC Chair Person: 4 votes

Doug Culbert, for the position of CLC Chair Person: 4 votes

Members of the CLC discussed postponing the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair until the next meeting.

MOTION CLC-65

**Moved by Les Nichols,
Seconded by Mark Goetz;
Committee**

That the election of the Chair and Vice-Chair Persons of the SBCLC be deferred to the next CLC meeting;

And further, that the current Chair and Vice-Chair of the CLC (Jim Gowland and Doug Culbert) continue in their current roles until such time as a new Chair and Vice-Chair are elected by the CLC.

Motion: Carried

3. ADOPTION OF AGENDA:

MOTION CLC-66

**Moved by Margie Bates,
Seconded by Doug Culbert;
Agenda**

That the Agenda for the South Bruce Community Liaison Committee Meeting of March 5, 2015, be adopted.

Motion: Carried

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND NATURE THEREOF:

None

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S):

5.1 November 6, 2014 SBCLC Regular Meeting

MOTION CLC-67

**Moved by Les Nichols,
Seconded by Bob Buckle;
Minutes**

That the Minutes of the South Bruce Community Liaison Committee Meeting held on November 6, 2014, be adopted as printed and circulated.

Motion: Carried

6. NWMO TASK LIST REVIEW

The number of visits to the CLC website was discussed. Paul Austin will report back to a future meeting with the specific number of visits to the site, since the numbers may have changed since the last time that information was reported.

MOTION CLC-68

**Moved by Les Nichols,
Seconded by Doug Culbert;
Task List**

That the SBCLC Meeting Task List presented to the March 5,

2015 meeting of the South Bruce Community Liaison Committee, be received for information.

Motion: Carried

7. REPORTS:

Item 7.2 was moved, to be heard prior to Item 7.1.

7.2 NWMO Update (Oral)

Paul Austin, Relationship Manager for Southern Ontario and Mike Krizanc, Communications Manager, NWMO

Corporate Social Responsibility

Paul Austin provided some details regarding the NWMO Corporate Social Responsibility (CSR) policy. He noted that there is regional and national funding for large-scale projects, but that there is also a community component to the CSR. He advised that funding is available for local projects and programs, with up to 30 per cent of a program's total budget eligible to be funded by the CSR (up to \$2,500 per organization).

Paul Austin encouraged local community groups and organizations in South Bruce to apply for funding through the CSR program. He advised that he will work with Julie Ireland, Project Co-ordinator for the CLC, to coordinate the applications received for the CSR from groups within South Bruce. He noted that the purpose of the funding is to support the communities in which the APM process is being undertaken.

Learn More Office

The current lease for the Learn More Office location in Mildmay expired at the end of December, but was extended to May 31, 2015. A new location for the office was discussed, including returning the office to the Teeswater Town Hall, where it was located previously. Mayor Bob Buckle suggested that the storage section of the Town Hall may be useful for NWMO's purposes once additional environmental studies begin, due to the large roll-up access door, in addition to the main hall area of the Town Hall.

Paul Austin advised that additional displays would be brought into the office going forward, and that those displays would be large and difficult to move in the event that another group or individual would want to use the main floor facility. Sharon Chambers advised that even if the display could not be moved, that the Town Hall Committee would prefer to have NWMO rent the space going forward for budgeting purposes. Paul Austin suggested that the Town Hall could submit an application for funding through the CSR to assist with the budget for the Town Hall.

In response to a question regarding the number of visitors to the NWMO Learn More Office, Paul Austin advised that there is an Engagement Strategy that is being developed for South Bruce. He noted that within that strategy, which must first be further discussed and voted on, more engagement activities and increased use of the Learn More Office are prominent features. He also noted that there are a number of individuals who stop to read the information posted on the outside of the Learn More Office, and suggested that those who do not come into the office, but stop to read the information, are receiving

information about the APM project through that point of contact.

Brian Knox inquired about the possibility of having two offices in South Bruce. Mike Krizanc advised that the option of having two offices has not been considered due to the fact that each community receives funding for one office. If an additional office were added in each community, the resource and staffing costs would be doubled, which would require approval from NWMO.

Jim Gowland inquired whether or not the lease at the Mildmay office could be extended over the summer. He noted that the office had been moved there in the fall of 2014, meaning that it had not been in Mildmay over the course of the summer.

Questions were raised about the communication strategies for the APM and for the CLC. Brian Knox asked about the strategy, and suggested that meetings and committee information should be included monthly in local media. Doug Culbert asked about a possible email program, which residents could sign up for and would then receive notification about meetings and copies of agendas.

Mike Krizanc noted that the Communications Strategy includes many different methods of communication, including newsletters, media and websites. He cautioned against using methods outside of the strategy, noting that dissemination of information to the community should be kept to the timelines and methods set out, to avoid confusion and mixed messaging.

MOTION CLC-69

Moved by Les Nichols,

Seconded by Bob Buckle;

Committee

That the lease for the Learn More Office at the Mildmay location be extended for three additional months, to August 31, 2015.

Motion: Carried

It was discussed that part of the aim of the CSR is specifically to support youth programs in the communities where the APM process is taking place. Margie Bates discussed difficulties she encountered with schools and school boards regarding having students attend the previous open house in South Bruce. Corbin Critchfield, who is currently a high school student, noted the importance of engaging with youth living in this area if the project were to move forward. Paul Austin noted that no new material for youth or children has been created since it was last discussed at a meeting in 2014.

Mike Krizanc noted that engaging schools and school boards will involve various methods, as well as developing and enhancing relationships between the CLC and school boards to ensure open dialogue regarding the educational role of the CLC in the community. He suggested that as the APM process moves forward, the audience for the project will grow, and it will be important for the CLC to be part of the discussion in the community around the project, in order to engage in thoughtful discussions and help to manage community expectations.

ACTION ITEM: It was requested that “school engagement activities” be included as an

agenda item for consideration at a meeting during the 2015-2016 school year.

Other Communities in the APM Process

The completion of studies in the communities of Creighton, Saskatchewan and Schreiber, Ontario were discussed, as well as the early stages of work taking place in the municipality of Central Huron.

MOTION CLC-70

Moved by Margie Bates,

Seconded by Doug Culbert;

Report

That the verbal report of the NWMO to the March 5, 2015 South Bruce Community Liaison Committee meeting, be received for information.

Motion: Carried

Item 7.1 was heard following Item 7.2

7.1 Phase Two Preliminary Assessment Reports (Slide Presentation circulated with agenda)

Paul Austin, Relationship Manager, Southern Ontario and Mike Krizanc, Communications Manager

Paul Austin and Mike Krizanc presented information regarding the Phase Two Preliminary Assessment Process. This presentation included information about Phase Two, as well as a general outline of the upcoming stages of the process.

Brian Knox asked if the site selection process for the DGR would be required to follow local and provincial planning regulations such as official plans and protected wetland mapping. Mike Krizanc responded that the site selection process would be in accordance with federal, provincial and local laws and regulations.

Doug Culbert asked if data collected by the NWMO will be made available to the communities that it is collected from. Mike Krizanc advised that data collected through the APM site selection process would be submitted to the geological survey of each province and would in turn become public record.

A discussion took place regarding the type of mapping being undertaken. Fly over mapping previously used by NWMO in other communities would not likely be used in South Bruce due to the decreased effectiveness of this type of topographical study in relation to the types of geological formations present in the South Bruce area. Brian Knox suggested that an airborne survey of the area would be very beneficial for local planning and mapping purposes, but Mike Krizanc noted that airborne land surveys are cost prohibitive and would not be conducted if they are not suitable for the application required.

Open House

A motion was brought forward regarding the proposed dates for an upcoming Learn More

open house:

MOTION CLC-71

**Moved by Margie Bates,
Seconded by Brian Knox;**

Report

That the Learn More Open House for the SBCLC be held on Wednesday, April 1 and Tuesday, 2, 2015 at the Teeswater Culross Community Centre at the following times:

- Wednesday, April 1 from 1:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.; and
- Thursday, April 2 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Motion: Carried

Learn More Funding

Paul Austin noted that the funding for the Learn More program will increase in this next phase of work, and suggested that NWMO and municipal staff begin working to secure that funding for the purposes that it is allocated.

Speakers Program

During Phase Two, additional speakers will be invited, including those with alternative views from the NWMO. The speakers list will be developed as a partnership between NWMO and the CLC, and will attempt to bring a balanced range of those both in favour and opposed to the APM process and the proposed DGR. It was also noted that training will be available for such topics as working effectively with crowds and coping with large meeting settings. Following the Open House in April, NWMO staff aim to have six speakers present to the CLC over the next eight to ten months. Mike Krizanc noted that a meeting to discuss the work plan for the upcoming phase of work in South Bruce will be taking place the week of April 24, 2015.

MOTION CLC-72

**Moved by Mark Goetz,
Seconded by Les Nichols;**

Report

That the verbal report titled "Phase Two Preliminary Assessments" presented to the March 5, 2015 South Bruce Community Liaison Committee meeting, be received for information.

Motion: Carried

7.3 Municipality Update (Oral)

Sharon Chambers, CAO, Municipality of South Bruce

Sharon Chambers noted that several members of the CLC, Council and staff will be attending the Learn More Briefing at Bruce Power scheduled for Monday, March 16. She suggested that the tour should also be extended to the community, and asked that Julie Ireland contact Jean Culliton, a community member who has demonstrated a great deal of interest in the project, and who works hard to disseminate information about the municipality to the community, to invite her to attend the briefing as well.

The requirement for a motion to be approved by Council in order to proceed to the next phase of work was discussed. Sharon Chambers noted that it would be preferable for Council to pass such a motion, but that it is not a requirement of the NWMO at this time.

MOTION CLC-73

Moved by Margie Bates,

Seconded by Doug Culbert;

Report

That the verbal report of the Municipality of South Bruce to the March 5, 2015 South Bruce Community Liaison Committee meeting, be received for information.

Motion: Carried

8. DELEGATIONS:

None

9. EDUCATION:

None

10. COMMUNICATIONS:

10.1 Patrick Gibbons, Save Our Saugeen Shores (SOS), Letter dated December 7, 2014, Providing Responses to Questions from Brian Knox, CLC Member

MOTION CLC-74

Moved by Brian Knox,

Seconded by Bob Buckle;

Communication

That the letter from Patrick Gibbons, Save Our Saugeen Shores (SOS), dated December 7, 2014, Providing Responses to Questions from Brian Knox, CLC Member, be received for information.

Motion: Carried

11. NEW BUSINESS:

11.1 NWMO Open House in Teeswater – April 1 and 2, 2015 at the Teeswater Culross Community Centre

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

11.2 Learn More Briefing – March 16, 2015

This item was discussed earlier in the meeting.

12. ADJOURNMENT:

It was agreed that the next meeting would be held at the NWMO Learn More Open House on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., at the Teeswater Culross Community Centre.

MOTION CLC-75

Moved by Les Nichols,

Seconded by Margie Bates;

Adjournment

That we do now adjourn at 9:30 p.m., to meet again on Wednesday, April 1, 2015 at 7:00 p.m., or, at the call of the Chair.

Motion: Carried

Chair

Vice-Chair

CLC Secretary