



**NOTTAWASAGA VALLEY SOURCE PROTECTION AUTHORITY (NVSPA)  
DRAFT MINUTES**

**Friday 17 April, 2009 No. 01/09**

**Location: John L. Jose Learning Centre**

<b>NVSPA MEMBERS</b>	<b>MUNICIPALITY</b>
<b><u>PRESENT:</u></b>	
<b>Chair:</b> Walter Benotto	Town of Shelburne
<b>Vice Chair:</b> Joan Sutherland	Town New Tecumseth
<b><u>Members:</u></b>	
Rick Archdekin	Town of Wasaga Beach
Orville Brown	Township of Clearview
Mel Coutanche	Towship of Oro-Medonte
Reg Cowan	Township of Springwater
Terry Dowdall	Township of Essa (left at 11:50 a.m.)
Tom Elliott	Township of Springwater
Sonny Foley	Town of Collingwood
Earl Hawkins	Township of Mulmur (replacing Gord Montgomery)
Ralph Hough	Township of Oro-Medonte
Ron Henderson	Town of Essa (left at 11:50 a.m.)
Brian Mullin	Municipality of Grey Highlands
Fred Nix	Town of Mono
Cal Patterson	Town of Wasaga Beach (left at 11:40 a.m.)
Ron Simpson	Town of Bradford/West Gwillimbury
Joan Sutherland	Town of New Tecumseth
Bill Van Berkel	Town of Innisfil
Robert Walker	Township of Clearview
Percy Way	Township of Amaranth
<b><u>REGRETS:</u></b>	
Mary Brett	Township of Adjala-Tosorontio
Chris Carrier	Town of Collingwood
John McKean	The Town of The Blue Mountains
Garry Matthews	Township of Melancthon
Rick Milne	Town of New Tecumseth
Gord Montgomery	Township of Mulmur
Barry Ward	City of Barrie

**GUESTS:**

Lynn Dollin, Chair, South Georgian Bay Lake Simcoe Source Protection Committee  
Don Goodyear Manager, Source Water Protection

**STAFF PRESENT:**

CAO/Secretary-Treasurer	Wayne Wilson
Director of Engineering	Glenn Switzer
Hydrogeologist/Source Protection Coordinator	Ryan Post
Executive Assistant/Recorder	Laurie Barron
Communications/Public Relations Assistant	Kim Garraway

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Benotto called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

**2. PECUNIARY INTEREST DECLARATION**

None declared

**3. MOTION TO ADOPT AGENDA**

**RES#1** MOVED BY: Bill Van Berkel SECONDED BY: Ron Simpson  
**RESOLVED THAT:** The Agenda for the Nottawasaga Valley Source Protection meeting No. 1/09 dated 17 April, 2009 be adopted.

**Carried;**

**4. REPORT OF THE SOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE**  
**CHAIR LYNN DOLLIN**

- **Terms of Reference update and upcoming workshops**

Lynn Dollin, SPC Chair advised the Terms of Reference (TOR) documents were submitted to the Minister with comments in December 2008 and have been reviewed by the province. It is anticipated that a decision will be made within the coming weeks. The NVSPA Terms of Reference will require only minor amendments for Ministry approval and are anticipated to be approved in May 2009.

The approval of the TOR documents will trigger deadlines for the Assessment Report, which is one year later (May 2010) and the Source Protection Plan which is three years after the TOR approval (May 2012). The Source Protection Authorities will be required to review the assessment report and SWP plan and submit them to the Minister with any recommendations.

Chair Dollin advised that a series of Source Protection workshops will be held. The first workshop was held on April 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Nottawasaga Inn and included sessions on existing planning tools to manage land use and water resources, current financial incentives to reduce risks to drinking water, and Source Protection 101.

Chair Dollin encouraged the members to attend future sessions to learn more about the program and concluded that she looks forward to their continued input as the next stages of this important provincial program unfold.

**5. PRESENTATION ON SOURCE WATER PROTECTION**  
**DON GOODYEAR, MANAGER OF SOURCE WATER PROTECTION**

- **Source Water Protection**

Don Goodyear provided a PowerPoint presentation outlining what source water is and how it can be protected. Source water was identified as untreated water from streams, lakes, rivers or underground aquifers that people use to supply private wells and public drinking water systems. Protection of source water is simply protecting water sources such as lakes, rivers, streams and groundwater sources from contamination or overuse.

As a result of the May 2000 Walkerton tragedy and the release of Walkerton reports in 2002, the Safe Drinking Water Act and the Sustainable Water and Sewage Systems Act were established in late 2002. In 2006 the Clean Water Act was passed and in 2007 the first Source Protection Committees began meeting. Through establishing a Terms of Reference, Assessment reports and Source Protection Plans the implementation of these plans is scheduled to be in effect by 2013.

Mr. Goodyear identified specific threats to groundwater such as land use practices, water use and pollution. Identifying vulnerable aquifer areas, wellhead protection areas, intake protection zones and significant recharge areas will help in the protection of our groundwater.

Details of the upcoming source water protection workshops to be held in the spring and fall of 2009 will be posted on the web site at [www.ourwatershed.ca](http://www.ourwatershed.ca)

## **6. REPORT OF THE NVCA HYDROGEOLOGIST/SOURCE PROTECTION COORDINATOR**

- **Communication, Stewardship and Technical update**

Ryan Post, Hydrogeologist/Source Protection Coordinator provided an update of Communication, Stewardship and Technical works that have occurred to date. The lower Quinte groundwater video was presented. The video provided an outline of what other areas are doing in terms of communication projects.

An NVCA information booth was set up at Spring Tonic, Collingwood Library, Botanix Garden and Georgian Mall in Barrie during the month of April.

The NVCA has received the full complement of municipal resolutions for the execution and delivery of the 2009 Ontario Drinking Water Stewardship Program and will be commencing the delivery of this project once the Ministry of the Environment MOE funding has been received.

Mr. Post provided technical update/project outcomes of a survey being conducted using GPS technology to confirm the coordinates of the region's municipal wells.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

**None noted**

**8. CORRESPONDENCE**

- (a) Director, Source Protection Programs Branch, Ministry of the Environment letter dated Mar 19/09 re: Proposed Terms of Reference.

**RES#2** MOVED BY: Rick Archdekin SECONDED BY: Robert Walker  
**RESOLVED THAT:** Correspondence not specifically dealt with be placed on file.

**ADJOURNMENT**

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Walter Benotto N.V.C.A. Chair

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Wayne R. Wilson, CAO/Secretary Treasurer

Dated this     day of                     2009