



Meeting Minutes

Coordination Committee

Mon. June 13, 2016, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

71 Main St W, City Hall, Rm 192/193

In Attendance:

Denis Corr, Corr Research (Chair)
Karen Logan, HIEA Representative, Communication Coordinator
George McKibbon, McKibbon Wakefield Inc.
Dan Dobrin, Ministry of the Environment and Climate Change
Trevor Imhoff, Air Quality and Climate Change Coordinator, City of Hamilton
Christine Borselli-Morgan, Citizen
Catharine Parsons, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton
Adriano Mena, Citizen
Kathryn Enders, Green Venture
Katie Chan, U.S. Steel Canada
Matt Adams, McMaster Centre for Spatial Analysis
Matt Lawson, Manager – Health Hazards, Public Health, City of Hamilton
Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
Andrea McDowell, Project Manager – Air Quality, City of Hamilton
James Johnson, Health Canada
Brian Jantzi, Citizen

Regrets:

Brian Montgomery, Senior Project Manager - Air Quality and Climate Change, City of Hamilton
Sally Radisic, Public Health, City of Hamilton
Jim Stirling, ArcelorMittal Dofasco
Deirdre Connell, Green Venture
Jonathan Bastien, Hamilton Conservation Authority
Alissa Mahood, Planning & Economic Development, City of Hamilton
Michelle Sergi, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton
Anna Krol, Health Canada
James Kaspersetz, OEAC
Debbie Achatz, Public Works, City of Hamilton
Patrick Quealey, Environment and Climate Change Canada

Lorraine Vanderzweert– Mohawk College
Tom Chessman, Public Works, City of Hamilton
Shivani Vigneswaran, Environment and Climate Change Canada
Carolyn Barnes, ArcelorMittal Dofasco
Heather Donison, Sustainability, City of Hamilton
Peter Topalovic, Smart Commute -TDM, City of Hamilton
Joel Konik, Hamilton Conservation Authority
Ted Mitchell, Citizen
Peter Chernets, Citizen
Andrew Sebestyen, U.S. Steel Canada
Jayne Crawley, Horizon Utilities Corporation
Alexandra Graham, Citizen

Meeting Commenced at 3:06 pm

1. Introductions & Welcome

2. Approval of May 9, 2016 Minutes

- Approved (with edits of Brian J. not being at previous meeting and Karen L. description of previous project)

Presentations:

3. Ontario Centre's of Excellence Funding, Padriac Foley, Business Development Manager

- Ontario Centre's of Excellence (OCE) formed to bridge gap between industry and academia that offers tailored programs that are responsive.
- OCE part of the Ontario Network of Entrepreneurs (ONE).
- Awarded Cleantech Innovation Initiative focusing on reduction of 48 Mt from industry.

Questions/Discussions:

- Brian J. – Asked if OCE is then strictly working with the future capped industry
 - Padriac F. – Yes the initiative is working with the top 100 emitters and is strictly looking at CO₂ emission.
- Matt L. – Asked if the funding was by way of a subsidy?
 - Padriac F. – It is a pilot program with a re-imburement strategy.
- George M. – Mentioned the MOECC climate action strategy had no mandate for agricultural or land use planning. Asked if OCE has any sort of mandate like this?
 - Padriac F. – OCE mandate is only on industry.
- Andrea M. – Asked how the results of the program would be shared?
 - Padriac F. – We are funded by a group of Ministries and therefore we must be transparent, however the specific results will depend on the agreements created between the industry.
- Lynda L. – Asked what sectors are top emitters?

- Slide from presentation showing Electricity and Steel as top two, however Electricity is now greatly reduced due to shut down of coal fired generating stations.
- Matt L. – Asking what type of accounting software is used for GHG inventory?
 - Padriac F. – Unsure of the answer but knows it is modelled with in OCE.
- Denis C. – Asking how much business has been done this year and how much do you expect to be done in Hamilton.
 - Padriac F. – There has not been any done to date, but there has been a lot of outreach to industry thus far. Completed high level meetings with MOECC, productive meetings with ArcelorMittal Dofasco.
- Denis C. – Wondering about information in the slide pertaining to an integrated help fund for local environmental organizations.
 - Padriac F. – That fund has been designated to Kitchener Sustainability Co-labs.
 - Lynda L. – Stated this would also include Sustainable Hamilton Burlington as they are members of that organization.

Updates:

4. POA Funding Update – Matt Lawson (5 minutes + 10 minutes for questions)

- On June 3, 2016 Councillor Merulla moved to dismiss the report and give forestry department the money for Wards 3, 4 and 5.
- McQuesten Urban Farm project is an example.
- Public Health staff worked hard to create the funding process and remained transparent with Clean Air Hamilton. It is an unfortunate missed opportunity.

Questions/Discussions:

- Karen L. – Concerned about planting trees in these Wards as HIEA has already tried with no success.
- Matt L. – Encourage organizations like Trees Please and other tree planting organization to contact Council and/or the Forestry Department about acquiring funding.
- Lynda L. – Interesting that Councillor Collins is putting \$400,000 of area rating money towards planting trees in his ward. Have been approached but many people in that ward want to plant trees.
- Matt L. – Public Health Services willing to help.
- George M. – Useful to look at previous inventory and what has been done already.
- Karen L. – ReLeaf spent a couple of years modelling areas which can tell you where to plant trees. Unfortunately MNR changed funding and the program was squashed.
- Denis C. – Important to potentially use some of the money at the beginning to establish a framework utilizing committee experience/ expertise such as GIS.
- George M. – Could be useful to contact Rob Norman in Forestry.
- Adriano M. – Asking what factors are analyzed when looking to plant trees?
 - George M. – Mortality rate of trees.

- Denis C. – Where pollution is the worse to get the biggest impact.
- Karen L. – The creation of corridors can also create a bigger impact.
- Matt A. – Recommending inviting forestry to meeting to discuss priority factors for planting.
- Denis C. - Thanking Matt L. for trying for the funding process but understand the political reasoning.
- Matt L. – Giving acknowledgement to Lynda L. for making Councillors aware.

5. Clean Air Hamilton 2015 Air Quality Progress Report to Board of Health July 7, 2016 – Trevor Imhoff (5 minutes)

- Final 2015 Air Quality Progress report completed. Report going to Board of Health July 7, 2016 where Dr. Corr will be doing his presentation.
- Any member from the public is always welcome to come to any BOH meeting.
- Special thank you to Karen L. for her graphic design work and advice.
- Report sent to Athens printing for high quality printing. Expected to be ready on Wednesday.

Questions/Discussion:

- Denis C. – Would like to extend thank you to rest of the group.
- Denis C. – Brought to attention PM2.5 concentrations in Hamilton and comparing it to the new CCME standard of 10 µg/m³ stating Hamilton is over and the standard will be going down to 8.8 10 µg/m³ by 2020.
- Lynda L. – Wondering how this will be implemented. Asking if there are any regulatory changes?
 - Dan D. – Has not heard of anything.
 - Lynda L. – Finds this worrisome. Asking if CAH should write a letter and relay message.
- Denis C. – Asking how did Sarnia reduce their concentrations?
 - Dan D. – Could be multiple reasons, important not to lose sight of other contaminants as well.
- Karen L. – Brought up the point that Hamilton has had a lot of construction and in fill that perhaps Sarnia had not experienced.
- Lynda L. – Went to previous dust work shop put on by Public Health and learned about off site impacts. Spoke with MOECC district office and concerned that MOECC may not have the right tools to measure the right thing. Gave an example of the Ministry of Labour being equipped with air monitors.
- Brian J. – Concerned with construction site diesel vehicle emissions.
- Dan D. – Stated that now with the established air zones and Hamilton being zone 3 moving forward this is something we can start looking at and pitch the idea.

6. Member Updates

- Denis Corr, Corr Research
 - Sincere condolences to family and friends of Dr. Pavlos Kanaroglou. He was a big part of the Air Quality Initiative right from the beginning. He will be missed.
 - Congratulations to Matt. A getting an Assistant Professor position at Ryerson University.
 - Started Fresh Air Kids, initially going to do 3 different schools but was approached by previous school who really wanted us to come back.
 - Working on presentation to BOH for July 7, 2016 and will point out issue with PM2.5.
 - Completed report for Phase 2 of Neighbourhood Mobile Air Quality Monitoring.
- Dan Dobrin, MOECC
 - Minister Glen Murray remaining as the Minister of the Environment and Climate Change.
 - A lot of things going on regarding air in Ontario.
 - Air Waste Management conference in Toronto coming in October.
- James Johnson, Health Canada
 - New to Health Canada, first meeting with CAH.
 - Creating new AQHI Canada app. Will send link to group once complete.
- Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
 - Re-launching bike monitoring project.
- Kathryn Enders, Green Venture
 - Received funding for Totally Transit for Seniors and will begin that program again soon.

Action Items:

- **Trevor I. to send out email well in advance for reminder of BOH meeting July 7, 2016.**
- **CAH to contact Forestry Department regarding priority factors for tree planting.**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:20 pm

Next meetings:

July 11, 2016	3:00-5:00pm	City Hall Room 192/193
August 8, 2016	3:00-5:00pm	City Hall Room 192/193
September 12, 2016	3:00-5:00pm	City Hall Room 192/193