



Meeting Minutes

Coordination Committee

Mon. May 9, 2016, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

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

In Attendance:

Denis Corr, Corr Research (Chair)
Brian Montgomery, Senior Project Manager - Air Quality and Climate Change, City of Hamilton
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
Alexandra Graham, Citizen
Kathryn Enders, Green Venture

Regrets:

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
Matt Lawson, Public Health, City of Hamilton
James Kaspersetz, OEAC
Debbie Achatz, Public Works, City of Hamilton
Katie Chan, U.S. Steel Canada
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
Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
Andrea McDowell, Project Manager – Air Quality, City of Hamilton
Peter Chernets, Citizen
Matt Adams, McMaster Centre for Spatial Analysis
Andrew Sebestyen, U.S. Steel Canada
Jayne Crawley, Horizon Utilities Corporation
Brian Jantzi, Citizen

Meeting Commenced at 3:02 pm

1. Introductions & Welcome

- Denis C. (chair) welcome and thank you for coming on such a beautiful, clean air day

2. Approval of March 14, 2016 Minutes

- Approved (with edit of Lynda L. not being at previous meeting)

Updates:

3. Working Paper 25 Launch – Ontario in a Low-Carbon Economy – Update – Trevor Imhoff
Link: [Toward a Low-Carbon Economy.pdf](#)

- Presentation and report prepared by Institute for Competitive and Prosperity, receives funding from Government of Ontario through Ministry of Economic Development, Employment and Infrastructure.
- Analyzed the proposed cap-and-trade system and its effect on Ontario's GDP projections.
- Presentation included charts and graphs under different scenarios including: Business As Usual (BAU), Cap-and-trade (Ontario alone), Cap-and-trade (linked with WCI), Cap-and-trade (linked, with free allowances for at-risk industries).
- Recommends that Ontario pursue cap-and-trade system that links our market with other cap-and-trade markets as soon as possible.
- Report states that an optimally designed cap-and-trade system can reduce global reductions by 61 Mt in 2030 with only a modest decrease in Ontario GDPs growth projections.

Questions/Discussions:

- Karen L. – Asking about the difference between their recommendations and what the MOECC is actually doing
 - Trevor I. – To the best of my knowledge MOECC has not yet established exactly what they are doing but are leaning towards a cap-and-trade program that would link with

- other systems (i.e Quebec, California with the hopes of expanding the market globally).
- George M. – Did the presentations mention anything about Electric Vehicles (EVs) and connection with land planning?
 - Trevor I. – the presentation did not specifically touch on EV, not a 100% if report touches on this topic.
 - Adriano M. – Report did not expressly discuss this topic. EV is a private industry matter and the institute was focusing on Ontario Government aspects.
- Denis C. – Mentioned the previous virtual Town hall meeting which one of his questions regarding Green Initiative Fund got through to the mayor. Asking if Hamilton is already receiving money?
 - Brian M. – Hamilton Region has received approx. \$7 million for social housing.
- Topic discussed regarding grant program for EVs. Grant was previously \$8,000.00, now is up to approx. \$12,000.00.
- Denis C. – Wants individual from Industry Grants out of McMaster to potentially come do a talk at next Clean Air Hamilton.
- Karen L. – Mentioned that CAH related projects may not fall under criteria for grants. Spoke about previous project which included Air Liquide and Dofasco.
- Denis C. – Wants to start looking at these revenue sources
- Discussion on EVs and historically hard to buy due to no incentives of dealership to sell EVs.

4. Climate Change Ideas Submission Website – Update – Brian Montgomery

- Government of Canada has created a website for anyone to submit ideas regarding Climate Change: The link is:
 - <http://letstalkclimateaction.ca>
- Great ideas already submitted, however must wade through the not so great to get them.
- Website will classify your comments into themes including:
 - General ideas on addressing climate change
 - How and where to reduce emissions
 - Clean technology, innovation and job creation
 - Preparing for the impacts of climate change
 - Putting a price on carbon
- To submit ideas you must register.

5. Rough draft of Clean Air Hamilton 2015 Air Quality Progress Report – Update – Karen Logan & Trevor Imhoff

- Making great head way on the Progress Report.
- Will be sending out rough draft of the report for comments after meeting. Please have comments back by **Friday May 13, 2016**.

Questions/Discussion:

- Went through report with committee members:

- Page 5 to include both awards in text with one picture
- Page 8 change from 2014 to 2015
- HAMN network map needs to delete Station 29113, only should have 3 MOECC stations (Hamilton Downtown, Hamilton Mountain, Hamilton West), rest should be HAMN network
- Karen L. – Still having trouble with MOECC graphs due to size of picture, asking if MOECC can provide data and she will re-create graphs
- Concerns expressed for Page 13 MOECC air trends and the reduction per year. Unsure if number is correct and does to properly communicate yearly variation. Recommended take out reduction per year and mention for yearly variation see graphs

Presentations:

6. Barry Duffey, MOECC – Air Zone Delineation

- Link to PDF presentation: [Air Zone Delineation - CAH 20160509.pdf](#)

Questions/Discussions:

- Barry D. – Important to remember Canadian Ambient Air Quality Standards not a regulatory threshold
- Denis C. – Asking if industry will have to report to anybody?
 - Barry D. – District Offices will maintain their same role with inspections and monitoring
- Barry D. – Important to remember there are actually 6 zones, not just 3 zones. Example if SO₂ problem is solved in Sarnia does not mean will stop work in Hamilton.
- Barry D. – Some tough questions coming within 6 months' time regarding cumulative effects, site specific exemptions etc...
- George M. – Expressed concerned about what is going to be the driver? Asking what will Hamilton look like in 10 years from this?
 - Barry D. – There will be improvements. If looking at the improvements made the past 10 years could potentially extrapolate that into the next 10 years. Using CAAQs as driver and gave example of SO₂ CAAQS standard between 20-40 influencing the concentration limit under O'Reg 419 which will have to come down.
- Barry D. – If we see CAAQs exceeded, look at why is it happening and what resources are needed to get it out of the red.
- Denis C. – Asking about how to acquire additional resources in Hamilton?
 - Barry D. – Any case for resources requires a business case with evidence.
- George M. – Expressed concern about Provincial resources (ex. MOECC and MNR), fewer people being asked to handle larger issues and areas. Recommends it just can't be internal.
 - Barry D. – Government is always looking for more partners, driver is to create partnerships.
- Karen L. – Asking how is it going to be different on the ground for Hamilton (i.e Local Integrated Air Strategy). What is the first step?
 - Barry D. – Integrated Air Strategy originated in Windsor, first step would be to approach that community, answer all relevant questions and chart a path collectively.
- Brian M. – Recommended utilizing CAH and we can form working groups, we have already established dust workshops which are bringing construction industry reps to the table.
 - Barry D. – Important for government to network those groups.
- Denis C. – Offered a couple more examples such as Air Quality Task Force, creation of the

Hamilton Airshed model. Would be helpful to utilize ministry resources to help pay for projects such as these.

- Barry D. – Finished by stating important to remember that other municipalities have not started what Hamilton has been doing for the past 20 years. This program sets an end game, more focused effort, target setting exercise. Will draft specific plans and make public.

Action Items:

- **MOECC to get back to group regarding sending air monitoring data**
- **Trevor I. to send Draft CAH 2015 Progress Report to committee members**
- **Committee member comments of Progress Report due Friday May 13, 2016**
- **Trevor I. to send committee question re: Ontario in a Low-Carbon Economy**

Meeting Adjourned at 5:20 pm

Next meetings:

June 13, 2016

3:00-5:00pm

City Hall Room 192/193

July 11, 2016

3:00-5:00pm

City Hall Room 192/193