



Minutes

Coordination Committee

Monday, October 7, 2019, 3:00 – 4:30 pm

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

Present:

Bruce Newbold (Chair)

Waverley Birch, Friendly Streets

Ed Cocchiarella, HIEA

Denis Corr, Corr Research

Dan Dobrin, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Trevor Imhoff, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton

Brian Jantzi, Citizen

Joel Kaushansky, Health Canada

Karen Logan, HIEA

Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton

George McKibbon, McKibbon Wakefield Inc. /University of Guelph

Shelley Rogers, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton

Andy Sebastian, Stelco

Tiffany Singh, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Nico Strabac, Mohawk College Sustainability Office

Regrets:

Giuliana Casimirri, Green Venture

Robert Clackett, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Rob Conley, Environmental Services, City of Hamilton

John Lundrigan, ArcelorMittal Dofasco

Fran Scott, McMaster Institute for Health Equity, McMaster University

Sara Yonson, Hamilton Port Authority

- 1. Introductions & Welcome**
- 2. Approval of September 9, 2019 Minutes**

Approved

- 3. Team Photo (10 minutes)**

Presentations:

- 4. Fresh Air For Kids, Nadine Nesbitt (15 minutes) (postponed)**
- 5. Annual Clean Air Hamilton 2019 Report, Shelley Rogers (15 minutes)**

- Switching to standardized reporting for monitoring data from the MECP
- Could do an addendum if data is not prepared in time to present to City Council
- Suggested to space charts and graphs out in the report to have more white space

Group agreed to show a transition for current and future methods of reporting data

Updates:

- 6. Provincial Policy Statement submission update, George McKibbin (10 minutes)**

Reviewed letter put together by George M



Microsoft Word 97
- 2003 Document

Questions/Discussion

Lynda L – suggests that the submission include a reference the City of Hamilton's PED report that went through council. It included strong messaging to Climate, City said that this land use needs to look at this from a Climate view. Suggests adding a fourth point to the last section referencing the City's report.

Following motion was set forth by Bruce N:

Move to adopt the draft comments as the CAH comments to submit to the Ministry, with an amendment to reference City of Hamilton Comments. Hamilton comments can be found here: <https://pub-hamilton.escribemeetings.com/filestream.ashx?DocumentId=204436>

Seconded by Denis C

Group decided to have an electronic vote through email for an updated submission including an additional point referencing the City of Hamilton's PED report PED19188.

Abstaining from vote:

Dan Dobrin MECP

ACTION

George M – Update the PPS submission.

Shelley R – Distribute updated PPS with voting options in email.

7. Dust Group update, Trevor Imhoff (5 minutes)

Fugitive by-law delayed, being submitted to BOH. Will be sent to By-law in the future.

Questions/Discussion

Lynda L – can Trevor find out if tickets are being issued now with By-law being able to write administrative tickets.

Trevor – CAH could advocate for MLE training for enforcing dust by-laws for drag out. Could be a training for officers. This allows for MLE to issue fines on the spot. CAH could advocate training. Lack of enforcement of Anti-Idling by-law, we could also advocate letter of support for training for MLE for this as well.

ACTION

Trevor I – to investigate tickets being issued by by-law for dust.

8. AQTF update, Shelley Rogers (10 minutes)

Sheet is updated. Shelley R is aligning future actions with member feedback provided by Intern earlier in the year.

9. TRAPS in Montreal, Trevor Imhoff (10 minutes)

News article was sent out about study in Montreal schools within 150m of major roadways (https://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/one-sixth-of-schools-in-montreal-dangerously-close-to-polluted-roads-analysis-1.5285475?_vfz=medium%3Dsharebar).

Interactive map was included in the article showing where schools were located and their vicinity to arterial roads. Public Health Ontario has interesting statistics on population living near major roads and highways. The following articles were referenced:

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/-/media/documents/ohp-trap.pdf?la=en>

<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3855107/>

Suggested that CAH create a whitepaper on TRAPS that planning could implement.

Questions/Discussion

Denis C – they have a lot of good data. Notes that the number of citizens living close to arterial roads in LA is high at 40%, Hamilton isn't as bad as you might think. There are a lot of noise walls in Stoney Creek and they deflect pollution as well. The 403 and RHVP are in valley's, you get more pollution when you're on the highway, but less when you're not. The LINC doesn't have huge impact because of the large berms on either side. We're in better shape than the study in Montreal. Would be interesting to conduct a GIS study. Terrain would need to be involved with mobile monitoring data.

Brian J – In Hamilton we have major streets (ie King and Main) lights are timed to keep traffic moving. Asks if we have a policy for when there's construction, lights aren't timed correctly during construction and this leads to congestion. Maybe our focus should be on our municipal affairs and policies in place for congestion.

Denis C – Worst exposures are to people driving on the highways. Worst collateral exposures are King and Main, highly traveled and they are close together, when you're between them, it's the worst area.

Lynda L – Film shoots also affect traffic; air quality should be considered when issuing film permits.

George M – If you retrofit everything to be a distance from arterial roads, buildings will be there for 40-50 years, if we move to EV's, how will that change the picture? How will it effect the investment in the land use change? He thinks worth asking the province about what they will do about electrification.

Trevor I – Could investigate using HAMS, what if all vehicles were electrified? There were promising numbers from the Ministry of Transportation. Uptake in Hamilton has been surprisingly good. Wants to see uptake by postal code. In China, EV sales have surpassed Combustion Engine vehicles

Waverly B – Truck routes have schools around them, and that's an issue.

Trevor I – A sensitive receptor database has been submitted to Planning. Now we'll have to make sure it's put into place

Dan D – Asks what year the Montreal study was conducted. Their transportation in the last 5 years has changed a lot.

Trevor I – Data looks to be from 2013.

Dan D – In Etobicoke a few years ago, the air quality improved 100m from major highways.

Denis C – With planning we're looking for intensification, but existing Condo parking has no electrical hook ups. Suggests that government grants will be required to make it happen.

Trevor I – Should we advocate with our Academic partners to look into the roads and people living near them. Highways and arterial roads. Might be a GIS planning exercise.

Denis C – Has some data, but it's a moving target. Their system crashed. Hamilton AQHI would need more funding. Matt Adams says that over time, the air data has gotten cleaner, historical data is out of date. Too big a task to start re mobile monitoring, would be worth getting someone from the geography department o from UofT with Matt Adams to look into this.

Brian J – Says it's a useful step. What would be the scale to bring to here?

Denis C – In the last 40-50 years we haven't built a lot of new roads. The volume has increased.

Tiffany S – Living further from arterial roads is an issue because these tend to be bus routes and living near public transportation is encouraged.

Denis C – When you drive in and out of Toronto, air quality is very poor. Suggests including satellite data in any research.

10. Member Updates

Shelley R – Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton
UWDW coming along, sending out letters soon.

Trevor I – Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton
McMaster will be holding a seminar on the 10th. Flyer has gone out to members.

Denis C – Corr Research
41 students at Mohawk, Air Quality is the most important thing FAFK is going well

Dan D - MECP

Dust Event on September 30, 2019, there was a large emission, they video taped it, got the EEO's out, collected samples, sent to lab, going to look at it, asked HAMN to look at their filters. Composition on what they expect from ESDM reports from 2017, 2018. Looking for metals and PM. Reviewing info and then next steps.

Completing SO₂ tracking, seeing high incidents, with SO₂ standards, completing analysis and determining sources.

Question/Discussion

Lynda L – Environment Hamilton

Second building still standing on site with permit issued, City has asked MECP for cease and desist,

Dan D – says that City and MLE should do this. City owns the permits.

Lynda L – Environment Hamilton

Oct 19 community tree planting.

Karen L – HIEA

Wednesday HIEA annual public Meeting Ken Cruikshank Industrial Industry in Hamilton.

Andy S – Stelco

CLC used Stelco as a location for a film shoot.

ACTION ITEMS

1. George M – Update the PPS submission.
2. Shelley R – Distribute updated PPS with voting options in email.
3. Trevor I – to investigate tickets being issued by by-law for dust.

Next meeting

November 11, 2019

3:00-5:00pm

City Hall Room 192/193