



Minutes

Coordination Committee

Monday, November 14, 2022, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

Online, Cisco Webex

Present:

Dr. Bruce Newbold, (Chair)

Abigail Amponsah, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Alison Carlyle, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Barry Duffey, Citizen

Dr. Fran Scott, McMaster Institute for Health Equity, McMaster University

Gas Gebara, ArcelorMittal Dofasco

Geoffrey Knapper, HIEA

Heidi Levitzky, HIEA

James LeMoine, Mississauga of the Credit First Nation

Julie Wedzinga, Stelco

Kerry LeClair, Councillor Nann's Office, City of Hamilton

Lucas Neil, Ausenco

Dr. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton

Matthew Lawson, Public Health Services, City of Hamilton

Natalie Stacey, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Nico Strabac, Mohawk College Centre for Climate Change Management

Phoebe Tung, Health Canada

Reed Ciarloni, McMaster University

Sara Yonson, Hamilton Oshawa Port Authority

Shelley Rogers, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton

Tiffany Singh, Planning & Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Timothy Hung, Ministry of the Environment, Conservation and Parks

Trevor Imhoff, Planning & Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Dr. Ingrid Waldron, McMaster University

Regrets:

Denis Corr, Corr Research

1. Introductions & Welcome

2. Land Acknowledgement

The City of Hamilton is situated upon the traditional territories of the Erie, Neutral, Huron-Wendat, Haudenosaunee and Mississaugas. This land is covered by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum Belt Covenant, which was an agreement between the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabek to share and care for the resources around the Great Lakes. We further acknowledge that this land is covered by the Between the Lakes Purchase, 1792, between the Crown and the Mississaugas of the Credit First Nation.

Today, the City of Hamilton is home to many Indigenous people from across Turtle Island (North America) and we recognize that we must do more to learn about the rich history of this land so that we can better understand our roles as residents, neighbours, partners and caretakers ([source](#)).

3. Approval of October 3, 2022 Minutes

Approved

Presentations:

4. Environmental Justice in Vulnerable Communities: Exploring Partnership Opportunities (20 minutes), Dr Ingrid Waldron, McMaster University



Ingrid Waldron
Presentation.pdf

Questions/Discussion

- City has partnered with Environment Hamilton and UofT on City Wide Passive Air Monitoring. Looking at demographics and seeing how Air Quality impacts different demographics throughout Hamilton. Will look at interventions.
- City is creating Community Climate Change Advisory Committee, want it to represent all in the community, hope to engage vulnerable community.
- There is a need to look at the smaller groups identified in presentation.
- Environment Hamilton has had conversations with Dr. Waldron, they are looking for opportunities to work together. Work this past year on Trees Please included strategic tree give away, reached out to BIPOC Community groups to assist with engagement.
- Odour pollution and mental health impacts in Ward 3 are an opportunity to connect.

- Health Canada, Environmental Health Program has partnered with Not-For-Profits and Municipalities. Happy to Connect after meeting.

Can contact Dr. Waldron at waldroni@mcmaster.ca.

Discussion Items:

5. Use of Alternative Low Carbon Fuels at the Carmeuse Dundas Facility (15 minutes), Bruce Newbold

- Produce Lime Aggregate and Lime Products,.
- Currently, part of production process, fuels they are approved for Pet Coke, Natural Gas and can use Bunker Oil, but aren't using that right now at Dundas location.
- They want to change their fuel for the Lime Kilns. They would like to look at Alternative Low Carbon Fuels.
- Proposing use of renewable sources from the community that would otherwise be landfilled. Had started testing at a facility, but COVID-19 halted it.
- Clean Air Hamilton has responded to individuals from the community.
- More information: https://www.carmeuse.com/sites/default/files/2022-09/Carmeuse_Dundas_ALCF_2022_09_19.pdf

Questions/Discussion

- There should be an opportunity for comment through ERO's.
- This will have to go through the Provincial Level, it would require an amendment to environmental approval. Would be an ECA Amendment.
- The site already has site-specific standard for Particulate Matter.
- CAH should ask for someone from the Approvals office from the Ministry to provide an update.
- Industry is trying to decarbonize, and the concern is that through the activities, it could negatively impact Air Quality.
- What is being emitted with these other carbon sources? We need to have more information to see how this will be less carbon.
- Lots of room to look into this more thoroughly.
- Suggested to ask Carmeuse to join Clean Air Hamilton and provide a presentation.

Action Items

1. Natalie Stacey to take back and provide an update at our December Meeting on behalf of the MECP.
2. Shelley Rogers to invite Carmeuse to present at a future meeting.

6. 2023-2026 Clean Air Hamilton Workplan (10 minutes) Shelley Rogers

Reviewed 2023 – 2026 Clean Air Hamilton Workplan.

Questions/Discussion

- As Clean Air Hamilton, concern about more problematic approaches that work against what we have done in the past.
- Suggested to add Land Use Changes to Land Use Planning.
- Working document, can add Leads and Actions over time to refine as we move forward.

Voted to implement 2023 – 2026 Clean Air Hamilton Workplan Themes and Directions.

7. Members Only Discussion, Final Approval Clean Air Hamilton 2021 Annual Report (20 minutes) Shelley Rogers

Questions/Discussion

- Discussed potential reasons for changes in concentrations.
- Discussed Board of Health dates for presenting CAH report.

Reviewed and voted to approve Clean Air Hamilton report.

8. Member Updates

Dr. Bruce Newbold

Reed C. undertaking research and collection on active transportation and impact on AQ for Honours Thesis. We could ask her to provide a future presentation.

Alison Carlyle, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Launched Community in Motion awards recognizing employers and organizations in the community who have made strides in active and sustainable transportation.

<https://www.hamilton.ca/city-council/awards-tributes/community-motion-awards> .

Trevor Imhoff, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Undertaking community engagement for a Community Climate Change Advisory Committee. All members of CAH are on stakeholder list. Will be conducting virtual and in-person to build out TOR.

Lucas Neil, Ausenco

Recently published a paper with AQ data to identify sources/influencers of AQ data. Meteorology, traffic and other factors reviewed. Wondering if this could be addressed in Hamilton. Paper available here:

<https://pubs.rsc.org/en/content/articlelanding/2022/EA/D2EA00084A> .

Dr. Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton

Lots of Advocacy going on right now regarding Bill 23, Greenbelt areas being removed and Ministerial decision to override Local plans. Will share any links and analysis with anyone in group who wishes to review.

Tiffany Singh, Planning & Economic Development, City of Hamilton

Working on response for new council about Bill 23 and changes to Planning Act, Development Charges Act, Conservation Authorities Act, Heritage Act, Ontario Land Tribunal Act, Province's decision for Urban boundary changes, Greenbelt Act and Revoking Parkway Belt West Plan. Report presentation to Planning Committee on November 29, 2022. TORs will also be brought forward for complete Planning Development Application in response to Bill 109 earlier this year. This will streamline Development Application process. Air Quality Studies and Dust Impact Analysis will go forward in Q2 of 2023 in a second batch of TOR's.

Shelley Rogers, Health and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton

Has accepted the position of Project Manager, Air Quality and Climate Change. City will be backfilling the Coordinator role who will take over as Coordinator for Clean Air Hamilton.

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Next meeting

December 12, 2022

3:00-5:00pm

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