



Agenda

Coordination Committee

Monday, November 13, 2023, 3:00 – 5:00 pm

City Hall Room 192/193 and Cisco Webex

Present

Dr. Bruce Newbold (Chair), McMaster University
Barry Duffey, Mohawk College
Beatrice Ekoko, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton
Chuck Hostovsky, Simon Fraser University
Fran Scott, McMaster University
Gas Gebara, ArcelorMittal Dofasco
Geoffrey Knapper, Hamilton Industrial Environmental Association
George McKibbon, McKibbon & Wakefield Inc.
Julie Wedzinga, Stelco
Kerry Leclair, Ward 3 Councillor Nann's Office, City of Hamilton
Mackenzie Whitten, Green Venture
Manal Chaudhry, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton
Matt Lawson, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton
Shelley Rogers, Healthy and Safe Communities, City of Hamilton
Susan Voinson, ESI
Trevor Imhoff, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton

1. Introductions & Welcome

- New air quality coordinator introduction

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 2, 2023 Minutes

- Minutes approved

Presentations:

4. N/A

Discussion Items:

5. PIVOT TECH conference on November 16th, 2023

- Conference with focus on technology and decarbonization

6. Clean Air Hamilton 2022 Report (10 minutes) Shelley Rogers

- No request as of yet from Board of Health for the Clean Air Hamilton Annual Report
- Chair recommendation is to continue with Annual reporting
- Members interested in working on report: Barry Duffey, Chuck Hostovsky, George McKibbon, Geoffrey Knapper
- Recommendation to discuss the timing for the 2024 report in the next meeting
- Coordinator to send out updated call for volunteers for the annual report

7. Clean Air Hamilton Chair (5 minutes) Bruce Newbold

- Recommendation to put together a recruiting committee to pursue potential individuals for the chair position and approach them
- Members interested in the recruiting committee: Bruce Newbold, Geoffrey Knapper, George McKibbon, Fran Scott
- Noted that if a subcommittee is created, the chair application deadline will have to be moved
- If a new chair is not elected by January 2024, current chair is able to continue in this position for the next two to three months
- Noted that a rotating chair can be appointed until a Chair is elected
- Noted that in the past, the air quality coordinator has substituted in until the Chair is elected
- Recommendation to put an ad in The Spec for a Chair
 - o Coordinator to draft public ad

8. Upwind Downwind Conference, All

- Members interested in the conference planning committee: George McKibbon, Bruce Newbold, Chuck Hostovsky
- PHS is able to provide support and staff
- Funding is provided for the conference
- Chair recommendation is to proceed with planning for Upwind Downwind Conference
- Suggestion to include neighborhood voices in conference planning
- Small profit from last year's conference has been added to the funding
- Recommendation to discuss the timing for the 2024 conference in the next meeting
- Coordinator to send out updated call for conference planning committee

9. Community Experiences (10 minutes), All

- Matt Lawson discussing the odour issues at the GFL Stoney Creek facility

- The MECP has completed two rounds of air sampling. One survey at daytime hours and one at early morning/nighttime hours
- There was a delegation at the council meeting today representing the residents at Stoney Creek GFL facility
- Matt Lawson discussing the fugitive emissions at AMD on October 28
 - No elevations in particulate matter monitoring results in the HAMN
- Discussion of off-gassing of Dufferin Aggregates in Flamborough
 - Sulphur odour in area
 - Recommendation to call the MECP Spills Action Centre for record keeping
 - Recommendation to have consistent calls from community during periods of high odours
- CityLab program on Wednesday November 15th
 - Coordinator to send out the details for the event

10. Roundtable Updates (10 minutes), All

- Geoffrey Knapper
 - Last month's HIEA meeting is available online
- George McKibbin
 - Review of Angus Hill's "A Philosophical Approach to Landscape Planning" presented at the American Scientific Affiliation Conference
- Matt Lawson
 - November is Radon Awareness Month
 - Recommendation to test homes for Radon
- Kerry Le Clair
 - Discussion of city staff reporting on motion to explore links between Air Quality and Mental Health
- Chuck Hostovsky
 - Assisting Dr. Ingrid Waldron on a course on Environmental Racism

Next meeting

December 11, 2023

3:00-5:00pm

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