



Meeting Minutes

Monday, September 09, 2024, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
Hamilton City Hall Room 192/193 and Microsoft Teams

Present

Barry Duffey, Chair
Abigail Amponsah, MECP
Anastasia Malinovski, ESI
Carmelo D'Angelo, Citizen
Charles Hostovsky, McMaster University
Dennis Corr, Corr Environmental
Fran Scott, McMaster
Geoffrey Knapper, HIEA
Ian Borsuk, Environment Hamilton
Julie Wedzinga, Stelco
Kristina Rudzki, MECP
Kerry Le Clair, Ward 3 Office
Liesel Knight-Messenger, Green Venture
Louise Thompson, Citizen
Lucas Neil, Stantec
Manal Chaudhry, City of Hamilton
Nathan VanBelois, Sarnia BASES
Natalie Stacey, MECP
Phoebe Tung, Health Canada
Sally Radisic, City of Hamilton
Susan Chapman, Citizen
Stephen Burt, MECP
Tara Barrows, Health Canada
Tim Hung, MECP
Victoria Latam, MECP
Zoe Davis, ECCC

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](#)).

Presentations:

3. Health Impacts of Air Pollution in Canada (20 minutes) Mathieu Rouleau, Health Canada

- Question: Is there an incoming standard from Health Canada for Ultrafine Particulates?
 - o Ultrafine particulates are a priority pollutant for Health Canada. However, there is a lack of historical data. There is a need to build up the data.
 - o There are three ultrafine particulate monitoring stations in Canada at this time
- Question: Are there any additional pollutants that will be added to the AQBAT model?
 - o At this time, the focus is on adding health effects to AQBAT instead of adding additional pollutants
- Health Canada is able to generate city specific morbidity and mortality information if requested.

4. Electric School Buses (20 minutes) Audrey He, White Oaks Secondary School

- Suggestion to look into the additional infrastructure added in PEI and BC to charge electric school buses

Discussion Items:

5. Air Quality in the News, Barry Duffey (10 minutes)

- Volkswagen CEO heading to trial due to emissions testing scandal

6. Community Experiences: an opportunity for anyone to share local air quality experiences, All (10 minutes)

- Carmelo D'Angelo, Louise Thompson, and Susan Chapman: Requesting time at the next Clean Air Hamilton meeting to have a discussion regarding the Green For Life Stoney Creek landfill ongoing issues with odours.

7. Roundtable Updates: an opportunity for everyone to share with CAH participants events or updates that relate to CAH and that you are engaged in, All (10 minutes)

- Anastasia Makinovski is attending meetings on behalf of Ecosystem Informatics
- The AWMA is having a conference on environmental justice December 4-5, 2024, in the USA: <https://www.awma.org/EJ>

- Victoria Latam will be taking over Abigail Amponash's role as an Air Quality Analyst at the MECP.
- The Ontario Professional Planners Institute hosting its annual conference in Hamilton September 25 to 27, Charles Hostovsky will be presenting on his research regarding environmental racism: <https://ontarioplanners.ca/conference-2024>

Next meeting

October 7th, 2024

3:00-5:00pm

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