

**Thane Public Liaison Committee
Meeting 04- 09 Minutes**

Ministry of the Environment
Newmarket Satellite Office
1091 Gorham Street, Suite 102
Newmarket, ON

Thursday, September 10, 2009

Members Present: Dave Fumerton (DF), Andrea Brown (AB), Howard Sniatowski (HS), Michele Maitre (MM), Sue Plamondon (SP), Phil Davies (PD), Deb Gordon (DG), Margaret Jordan (MJ)
Guests: Tom Williams (TW) of XCG Consultants Ltd.
Regrets: John Hicks

1. Acceptance of Previous Meeting Minutes

- June 2, 2009 meeting minutes were approved without changes.

2. Previous Meeting Action Items

ACTION: MOE to notify all interested applicants to PLC of upcoming meetings and deputation process – completed end of May

ACTION: SP to work on setting up what info will be posted regarding the Thane PLC on the Town of Georgina website - underway

3. New Business

3.1 DG had met with MTO about potential land acquisition in the vicinity for the upcoming 404 extension. Their area of interest is East of Woodbine on the other side of the Maskinonge River and will not pass near the Thane property.

3.2 AB noted the upcoming (October 26) call for letters of intent for the Federal Lake Simcoe Cleanup Fund and described the previous letter MOE submitted for the full Thane remediation and Environment Canada comments that wetland restoration could be considered for future projects. AB has asked for interested PLC members to participate in preparing a new letter for the upcoming round. PD and DG discussed projects they were involved with or knew of that were either already funded or seeking funding through the Lake Simcoe Cleanup Fund.

3.2.1 *AB to circulate previous LSCUF letter and Environment Canada response as well as seek input on October draft.*

3.3 MM was asked about the Region of York's plans for more recycling centers and possible expansion of the existing Georgina transfer station to the south of Thane. MM indicated the Region's Solid Waste Master Plan was currently underway.

3.3.1 *Action Item: MM to provide an update on Region of York plans at an upcoming PLC meeting*

3.4 Tom Williams (TW) of XCG Consultants Ltd. was introduced and discussed his firm's interest and involvement with a number of brownfield redevelopment projects across Ontario. Key considerations for this or other sites are potential end use, remediation or risk management approach being taken and potential costs. Community Improvement Plans and tax considerations were discussed as well as options relating to the back taxes owed at the site. TW described a Kitchener proposal where soil remediation facility would take place on the property to help finance cleanup and generate clean soils suitable for capping and site remediation. DG and MJ expressed concerns community may raise with contaminated soil treatment. Lack of servicing, site setting, type of contamination and adjacent landfill and transfer station, back taxes and potential community concerns with site were discussed as important issues in affecting possible redevelopment interest in the site.

3.5 DF asked TW and PLC how these sites and types of problems are advertised or how to solicit interest and other contacts for the site. So far have heard of possible MTO plans, Pristine Power consideration for off-set credits at site, potential cement industry re-use of slag wastes, but PLC should consider how to reach other potentially interested sectors/parties. SP has suggested a Request for Expressions of Interest.

3.5.1 *Action Item: PLC members to consider use, scope and venue for a possible request for expressions of interest*

3.6 Brainstorming topics to be discussed in detail at October meeting

4. Other Business

- No other business raised.

5. Date, Time and Location of Next Meeting

October 8, 2009
10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon

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