



LAKE SIMCOE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGY(LSEMS)

Lake Simcoe Working Group

May 4, 2007
9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Offices
"Boardroom"
(905-895-1281)

Minutes

Members Present:

Anne Neary, Co-Chair	Ministry of the Environment
Peter Waring, Co-Chair	Ministry of Natural Resources
Ed Beach	Federation of Agriculture, Durham Region/Chair, LSEMS CAC
Wes Brown	Federation of Anglers and Hunters/Member LSEMS CAC
Annabel Slaight	Ladies of the Lake / The WAVE
Goody Gerner	Ladies of the Lake
John Gilbank	Rescue Lake Simcoe Coalition
Marvin Geist	Greater Toronto Home Builders' Association-UDI
Jessica Annis*	Greater Toronto Home Builders' Association-UDI
D. Gayle Wood	Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority/Chair. LSEMS SC
Kimberley MacKenzie*	Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation
Karen Antonio-Hadcock*	Regional Municipality of York
Stew Patterson	City of Barrie

*-indicates alternate

Others Present:

John Hall	Executive Director, Hamilton Harbour RAP
Colleen Hickey	Coordinator, Education & Outreach, Lake Champlain Program
Richard Batiuk	Associate Director for Science, Chesapeake Bay Program
Betty Papa	Ministry of Public Infrastructure Renewal
Gina Casey	Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority

Regrets:

Elizabeth Janz*	Ministry of the Environment
Michael Bunn	Barrie Chamber of Commerce
M. Walters*	Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority
Debby Beatty	Lake Simcoe Conservation Foundation
Barb Jeffrey	Regional Municipality of York
Richard Forward	City of Barrie
Chris Strand	Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Gareth Goodchild*	Department of Fisheries and Oceans Canada
Karen Wianecki	Planning Solutions

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Committee Members provided introductions for the benefit of guest speakers John Hall, Hamilton Harbour RAP and Colleen Hickey, Lake Champlain Basin Program.

2. **Agenda**

RESOLVED BY CONSENSUS THAT the agenda for the May 4th, 2007, meeting of the LSEMS Working Group be approved as presented.

3. **Hamilton Harbour RAP**

Co-Chair Anne Neary provided some history of the LSEMS program as well as the mandate of the LSEMS Working Group in terms of making recommendations regarding a governance model for Lake Simcoe.

John Hall delivered a powerpoint presentation which is included with these minutes and answered questions from the Committee. These are summarized in the attachment also included with these minutes.

4. **Chesapeake Bay Program**

Co-Chair Anne Neary provided some history of the LSEMS program as well as the mandate of the LSEMS Working Group in terms of making recommendations regarding a governance model for Lake Simcoe.

Mr. Richard Batiuk, Associate Director for Science, Chesapeake Bay Program Office joined the meeting through teleconference and reviewed the presentation which is included with these minutes. Following the presentation, Mr. Batiuk responded to questions from the Working Group which are summarized in the attachment included with these minutes.

5. **Lake Champlain Basin Program**

The Working Group received a presentation from Ms. Colleen Hickey, Education and Outreach Coordinator, Lake Champlain Basin Program which is included with these minutes. Following this presentation, Ms. Hickey responded to questions from the Members which are summarized in the attachment.

6. **Minutes – April 25th**

The action items included in these minutes were reviewed.

Action: Update the “Who Does What Chart” and submit to Gina by Wednesday, May 9th, 2007.
Responsibility: All Members

Action: Governance Template – to be revised based on Anne Neary’s recommendations and circulated to the Members for updating.
Responsibility: Gina

Action: Invite a member from the York Environmental Stewardship Council to the May 15th meeting to make a presentation to the Working Group.
Responsibility: Peter Waring

RESOLVED BY CONSENSUS THAT the minutes of the April 25th meeting of the LSEMS Working Group be approved as printed by consensus.

7. **Summary, Recap & Where To From Here / Next Meeting Date**

The Working Group Members were requested to submit what they heard as pros/cons of each of the three models to Gina for discussion at the next meeting.

Co-Chair Anne Neary advised that the Province has not yet responded to the gap analysis questions from the previous meeting as they are to meet with all the provincial agencies in order to provide a collaborative response. This is expected to be done over the next few weeks.

The Members commented that these are important questions to be answered.

8. **Other Business**

Gayle Wood advised that the LSRCA will be participating in “National Denim Day” in recognition of Breast Cancer Awareness. This will be on May 15, 2007, which is the next date for the Working Group to meet and invited Members to participate.

9. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

original signed by:

Anne Neary, Co-Chair

original signed by:

Peter Waring, Co-Chair

Attachments:

Presentations & Meeting Summaries:

Hamilton Harbour RAP

Chesapeake Bay

Lake Champlain

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