



Community Advisory Panel

DRAFT MINUTES

January 14, 2010

7:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Dofasco – First Floor, Conference Room E

Present: Jessica Aird, Stephen Brotherston, Dwayne Brown, Mike Brown, Neil Buonocore, Gord Gilmet, Henri Kori, Karen Logan, Lorna Moreau, Lori Small, Katie Stiel, Pat Thiessen, Julianne Timms.

1. Welcome and introductions

2. HAMN presentation – Neil Buonocore

Formed in 2003, HAMN now has 22 member companies with an annual operating budget of approximately \$495,000. Neil presented an update on the Hamilton Air Monitoring Network (HAMN) and the 2 large projects that were undertaken in 2009. The two main projects included enhancements to the particulate network resulting in the purchase and installation of 4 new stations as well as the monitoring and maintenance of the equipment and the design and launch of their interactive website including accessibility to real time air quality data.

HAMN has identified a number of projects they would like to complete in 2010. They anticipate approximately \$60,000 in capital projects that will include the relocation of station 29102, the demolition of station 29025, replacing instrumentation, installing a new met station in Stoney Creek as well as providing some additional non-continuous data on the web.

3. Community concerns/issues – Roundtable discussion

Pat Thiessen had reported an odour concern on Friday January 8th. She also had concerns with the answering service and ArcelorMittal Dofasco regarding the slow responses to her call. Mike Brown described the incident - including why the odour occurred and what was done to correct it. He also addressed the reasons for the confusion regarding the response.

ArcelorMittal Dofasco had been running a trial at the CPCM on Friday and someone had mistakenly shut off the agitator and heater for the rolling oils. The odour was created when the system was restarted following this shut down. The incident was investigated by company staff and procedures will be in place to avoid this mistake in the future. Mike also explained that the person who had answered the phone was still in training and did not understand the protocols when answering this type of call. Mike assured everyone that steps have been taken to correct these issues.

The Answering Service is supposed to redirect callers to specific companies and send an email report to Karen Logan that they have received these calls. Karen had not checked her email on Friday or Saturday evenings and did not respond to Pat until Sunday. The Technical Committee is looking into the answering service again as well as other options to improve this response.

There was some discussion about what companies will be presenting at future meetings. CAP members are requesting that companies speak about specific environmental impacts – issues affecting the environment now. Gord Gilmet will speak to Michel regarding his talk scheduled for February 14 to let him know what CAP would like to hear. Dwayne requested that companies provide information about their presentation in advance of the meeting.

4. HIEA 2008 Environmental Survey Report Presentation

Karen Logan presented the 2008 survey data, explaining how the report is prepared and distributed. Using 1997 as a base year for comparison the survey indicates aggregate results for the parameters reported on. Hard copies were provided for everyone.

5. Approval of minutes – November 12, 2009

Following a brief discussion the wording of item 4 was reworded to better reflect what the CAP members are requesting for member company presentations. The minutes were then accepted as changed.

Moved by Lori Small, that the minutes be accepted as corrected. Seconded by Stephen Brotherston. All in favour - Motion carried

6. New Business

Karen reported that the “lottery” has taken place and the order of presentations has been developed. It was noted that although the CAP members requested that Triple M Metal give a presentation in February the representative is unable to attend this meeting and asked to be moved back to the April meeting. Liberty Energy and Westway Terminals will be giving presentations at the February meeting. If anyone has specific questions for either company they are asked to send them to Karen to be forwarded on to the appropriate company representative. This will ensure that the presentations will cover any specific areas of interest on February 11.

Andy reported that U. S. Steel now has new contact information. You can reach their answering service now by calling 877-218-8772 where the operator will direct your call to the correct person.

Karen reminded everyone that the annual general meeting will again be held in March on Thursday March 25, 2010 at the Chamber of Commerce taking the place of the regular monthly CAP meeting. Invitations will go out shortly.

Next Regular CAP Meeting

Date: Thursday February 11, 2010

Place: ArcelorMittal Dofasco Conference Room E

Reported by Karen Logan