



Community Advisory Panel  
**MINUTES**  
October 11, 2007  
7:00 to 9:00 p.m.  
Dofasco – First Floor, Conference Room E

**Present:** Tom Anderson, Dwayne Alexander Brown, Mark Dunn, Jim Fairbairn, Gord Gilmet, Henri Korie, Cindy Mercanti, Tom McGuire, Brian McCarry, Brian Montgomery, Lorna Moreau, Linda Pickvance, Larry Rose, Andy Sebestyen, Shaun Selway, Pat Thiessen, Steven Toplak, Jarah West, Brian Young

**1. Welcome and introductions**

**2. Review Past Minutes:**

There were no changes to the minutes. They will be posted on the website in the next few days.

**3. Meeting Schedule Update:**

Cindy gave a brief update on the presentations planned for this and future meetings. There were a few changes to what was earlier proposed.

November meeting

- Presentation by Hamilton Steel (Stelco)
- HAMN presentation (TBA)
- MOE presentation – reporting processes
- Roundtable

January meeting

- Presentation by Dofasco
- Presentation by HIEA member company (TBA)
- Other topics (?)
- Roundtable

**4. New HIEA members:**

Jim Fairbairn gave a presentation on his company, Entac Emulsion Products Inc. They manufacture, distribute and apply a wide variety of environmentally approved organic liquid emulsions to meet industrial and commercial market demands, ranging from controlling road-surface dust to agglomeration of industrial waste materials to commodity stockpile sealing. The company is located on Sherman Avenue North.

Tom Anderson gave a presentation on Poscor Mill Services. Founded in 1998, the company has experienced significant growth due to its innovative approach in the sourcing and sale of ferrous scrap. Completely integrated, POSCOR operates: the largest capacity shredder, a large volume stationary baler and portable balers, screening and iron breaking facilities, a high volume in-house torching facility with off-site capabilities and sorting, handling and densification equipment at

customer sites. Today POSCOR's total workforce exceeds 150 people who are responsible for handling more than one and a half million tons of material annually.

Dr. Brian McCarry provided everyone with an update on the progress for Clean Air Hamilton. Clean Air Hamilton is a multi-stakeholder group dedicated to improving air quality in Hamilton's community. The group is committed to improving citizens' health and quality of life through communication and promotion of realistic, science-based decision-making and sustainable practices. Brian provided information from their most current report to the community. There were a number of questions including inquiries about any studies specifically done on the impact that trucks have on air quality and on the city core. Clean Air Hamilton has developed partnerships with consultants and they are always discussing ideas and possible solutions.

#### **5. Review of the magnet communiqué**

Cindy began with a brief review of the response process. Lorna asked if anything would be done to assist in identifying the stacks. She is still finding that it is creating problems when she is calling into companies. Cindy promised to look into why the shift supervisor is asking her to identify the specific stack. This is not the response residents should be getting. Cindy distributed the proposed letter for discussion and comments. There was some discussion about different ways HIEA communicates to the community

#### **6. Sponsorship Update:**

Cindy distributed the proposed sponsorship application and discussed how this program would be implemented including the focus, the deadlines for submission and how to apply. Once everything has been approved the information will be posted on the website.

#### **7. Roundtable**

Mark Dunn from the MOE attended the meeting to ask everyone if there were any specific questions that he could answer at the next meeting. He was asked to provide information on: follow up to the December 7, 2006 meeting re the black fallout in east Hamilton; How does the MOE respond and follow up on complaints; what is the bigger picture on how and what complaints come in; where does information go once MOE receives a complaint. Cindy suggested that if anyone had other questions they could send them to her and she would forward them to Mark.

We discussed the company liaison program again. No decisions were made on whether to reinstate this program. Members felt it was a good way to maintain contact and there was value for the participants. We would need to research options and look into developing the program. There are pros and cons to this program and we will look at the next steps on a future agenda. VFFT would like to continue the program, as it has been a very positive experience for them. They developed a great one on one relationship with their CAP member. The most important issue is that all information is shared with the rest of CAP members

Identifying who has caused an incident is a key issue for members. Tom McGuire reported that Dofasco does self-report to the MOE on all known incidents. There is one full time person dedicated to identifying and reporting incidents to the MOE.

#### **8. Next Meeting**

- Date:** Thursday November 8, 2007  
**Place:** Dofasco first floor conference room E  
**Possible Topics:**
- Presentation by new HIEA members (TBA)
  - MOE presentation – reporting processes
  - Roundtable