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Windsor, Ontario May 6, 2010

A meeting of the **Windsor-Essex County Environment Committee** is held this day commencing at 5:30 o'clock p.m. in the Windsor Airport Board Room, there being present the following members:

Councillor Halberstadt, Chair  
John Adams  
Mark Bartlett  
Troy Brian  
Frank Butler  
Derek Coronado  
Rick Coronado  
Paul Henshaw (arrives at 5:45 p.m.)  
Dave McGregor  
John Miller  
Cecile Paquette-Crouchman  
Phil Roberts (arrives at 6:22 p.m.)  
Gary Standish  
Robert Sylvester  
Parma Yarkin

**Regrets received from:**

Councillor Percy Hatfield (attending a Community Civic Event honouring veterans)  
Tim Stratichuk

**Guests in attendance:**

Tom Fuerth, Chair, Source Water Protection Committee and Stan Taylor, Director of Source Water Protection, Essex Region Conservation Authority (ERCA)

**Also present are the following resource personnel:**

Michael Cooke, Manager of Planning Policy  
Rebecca Lau, Co-op student  
Karina Richters, Environmental Coordinator  
Karen Kadour, Committee Coordinator

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair calls the meeting to order at 5:35 o'clock p.m. and the Committee considers the Agenda being Schedule "A" attached hereto, matters which are dealt with as follows:

**2. MINUTES**

The minutes of the meeting held April 1, 2010 are distributed and attached as Appendix "A".

Moved by R. Sylvester, seconded by M. Bartlett,  
That the minutes of the meeting held April 1, 2010 **BE ADOPTED** as presented.  
Carried.

Councillor Halberstadt advises that he will contact Transit Windsor to investigate what efforts are underway regarding the \$2 million decrease in the Ontario Bus Replacement funding Program for Transit Windsor and will report back with the findings.

**3. DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT**

None.

**4. PRESENTATION**

Stan Taylor, Director of Source Water Protection, ERCA provides a PowerPoint presentation and he indicates that this presentation has also been viewed by various Councils including Lakeshore and Leamington.

In response to a question asked by Councillor Halberstadt regarding if the consultants reviewed temperate climate change, S. Taylor responds that a very cursory view was undertaken by staff at ERCA. S. Taylor indicates that the purpose of the presentation is to provide suggestions to the Source Water Protection Committee as the comment period for Phase I is closed.

P. Roberts asks if source water protection can be utilized to reinstate the Water Quality Subcommittee. He adds he will meet with Stan Taylor and Tom Fuerth regarding the reinstatement of the Water Quality Committee and will report back.

Stan Taylor and Tom Fuerth leave the meeting at 6:58 o'clock p.m.

A document entitled "Source Protection Area – Essex" is distributed and attached as Appendix "B".

## 5. MONTHLY FINANCIAL STATEMENT

It is noted that the WECEC 2010 Operating Budget balance for the period ending March 31, 2010 is \$20,697.

## 6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

### 6.1 City of Windsor Environmental Coordinator

Councillor Halberstadt advises that City Council at its meeting held May 3, 2010 adopted the following resolution:

**CR168/2010**-“That the report of the City Engineer dated April 6, 2010 entitled “Windsor Essex County Environment Committee (WECEC) and City of Windsor Environmental Coordinator Office Staffing” **BE DEFERRED** for a few weeks at the request of Administration, to allow for clarification concerning the impact associated with the issue of student hiring.”

### 6.2 Earth Day 2010

Councillor Halberstadt states that the Earth Day 2010 event was a tremendous success and several of the WECEC members volunteered to man the booth. He asks K. Richters to bring the WECEC banner to the June 3, 2010 meeting.

### 6.3 Enviro Expo

It is reported that the Enviro Expo event was very successful and will be held annually or every two years.

## 7. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

### 7.1 Education/Outreach

Councillor Halberstadt advises that a meeting will be convened with the Marketing and Communications Officer regarding the production of Public Service Announcements which will include boat motors.

Councillor Halberstadt suggests that a Climate Change Workshop be held in the Fall 2010. F. Butler recommends that a lunch and learn or a ½ day session be held. P.

Roberts indicates that the Town of Essex is currently undertaking a Climate Change Policy for the Town.

It is generally agreed that F. Butler and M. Bartlett will investigate and will provide the logistics for a Climate Change Workshop.

## 7.2 **Budget**

Discussed as Item 5 on the Agenda.

## 7.3 **Air**

D. Coronado refers to the letter from Teresa Seidel, Southeast Michigan District Supervisor, Air Quality Division, Department of Natural Resources and Environment regarding the 30 day public comment period for the Greater Detroit Resource Recovery Facility and the lateness in receiving the letter.

**Secretary's Note:** The concerns of the Coordinator, Citizens Environment Alliance of southwestern Ontario received May 10, 2010 relating to a request to deny the proposed renewable permit for the Greater Detroit Resource Recovery Facility is **attached** as Appendix "C". Also attached is a position paper from the Citizens Environment Alliance regarding the Monroe Power Plant, **attached** as Appendix "D".

## 7.4 **Transportation**

F. Butler reports that the Essex County Transportation Study will be discussed at the May 27, 2010 meeting.

F. Butler states that the City of Toronto is currently reviewing their Idling By-law.

## 8. **COMMUNICATIONS**

- 8.1 BASF: Making it Better Farnell Packaging Limited – *received for information.*
- 8.2 Globe and Mail Article dated March 27, 2010 entitled "In New York these days, honey talks" – *received for information.*
- 8.3 *It is generally agreed to send a letter to Amanda Lynn Simon in response to her letter regarding emission from vehicles.*
- 8.4 "Government of Canada Launches 2010 – 11 Small Business Internship Program" – **received for information.**
- 8.5 See Item 7.3 for disposition of the matter regarding the Greater Detroit Resource Recovery Facility.

- 8.6 In response to an e-mail from Chad Miller regarding the odour emanating from Chrysler's, M. Bartlett suggests that Mr. Miller contact the Ministry of the Environment. Councillor Halberstadt advises that the problem is fairly concentrated in a small area of the city and he will contact Mr. Miller.

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

An e-mail from Mark Bartlett dated April 28, 2010 regarding attendance at WECEC meetings and the ability to designate an alternate to vote on behalf of the organization, is distributed and **attached** as Appendix "E". P. Roberts requests that this issue be deferred to the June 3, 2010 meeting.

An e-mail from Councillor Halberstadt dated May 5, 2010 regarding the Food Charter subcommittee is distributed and **attached** as Appendix "F".

An e-mail from Paul Drca dated March 25, 2010 regarding the Town of Oakville's New Air Emission By-law is distributed and **attached** as Appendix "G".

10. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, June 3, 2010 at 5:30 o'clock p.m. in the Windsor Airport Board Room.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting is adjourned at 8:00 o'clock p.m.

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CHAIR

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COMMITTEE COORDINATOR