

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF EAR FALLS
Minutes of the Nuclear Waste Community Committee

Ear Falls Council Chambers
January 14, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Gerald Kleist called meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

Chair Gerald Kleist, Ursula DeKeyser, Frank Ray, Dave Wilson, Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska, 4 members of Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) (Ann Aikens, Pat Dolcetti, Tim Weber and Ray Hatfield) and 4 members of the public.

3. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None Declared.

4. REVIEW OF OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Review of Minutes of the November 19, 2012 Meeting

The Committee concurred that the Minutes were accepted as presented.

4.2 Amendment to Nuclear Waste Community Committee Policy (NWCC) – Video Recording of Special Meetings

The Committee was advised that Council approved the amendment.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Nuclear Waste Management Organization (NWMO) Conflict with NWCC Meeting

The Committee agreed to change the regular scheduled meetings of October 15, 2013 to October 9, 2013 and November 11, 2013 to November 13, 2013.

5.2 Budget Report – January 7, 2013

The Committee reviewed the Budget Report, dated January 7, 2013, as presented.

5.3 Placemats, Newsletter, Website Updates

The Committee was presented with a preliminary draft of the new placemat and newsletter design. A few modifications are required, mainly highlighted information to generate more traffic to website and a breakdown and explanation of the two phases of Stage 3. The Committee agreed that the website also needs the Initial Screening Report added and other maintenance performed. Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska will work in conjunction with Pat Dolcetti to complete final draft.

5.4 Ear Falls Recreation Centre Arena Board Advertising

The Committee decided not to advertise at the arena. The consensus was that there is not enough traffic to support the expense. The Committee is interested in supporting other local programs and will keep an open mind to other groups and ideas.

5.5 2013 Learn More Visit – Applicants for consideration and recommendation

The Committee will recommend to Council to consider Karen Desjardins, Gord Ewald and Martha Paris as participants for the “Learn More” visit.

5.6 Recommendation to release Brandi Doudiet from NWCC

The Committee recommends that Council release Brandie Doudiet from the Committee. The position will be filled with another youth member.

5.7 Delegation of representative to report to Council on a bi-monthly basis NWCC activities

The Committee agreed that Chair Gerald Kleist, or in his absence, Vice-Chair Ursula DeKeyser will report to Council on a bi-monthly basis. Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska will produce a schedule and complete delegation request forms to add them to Council’s agenda.

5.8 Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) Community Outreach tentatively scheduled for April 15, 2013

The Committee was advised of the tentative date for the event. The proposed format will be an afternoon open house and evening presentation with a Question and Answer period. Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska will ask Julie Mecke if the Committee is allowed to videotape this event.

5.9 NWMO Updates

Aboriginal Engagement continues with the existing relationships established from 2012 such as the agreement with the Grand Council Treaty #3 and participation at community events when invited. NWMO is continuing outreach to communities that have not been contacted in 2012. NWMO is providing tools and resources to help present additional project information to community members. The participation of members of the Council of Elders at future open-houses might be possible. The involvement of Aboriginal youth such as an Aboriginal Youth Council is being explored. Consideration is being given to the impact of the recent Federal Court decision (* Harry Daniels v. Crown) on the recognition of Metis & non-status Indians as a federal government responsibility under section 91(24) of the constitution, the recognition of a fiduciary responsibility and the right to be consulted. The Federal Government has yet to make a decision on whether to appeal this landmark decision.

Learn More/OPG tour plans tentative date is March 25, 26, 27, 2013 pending the vacant positions on the Committee are filled. Participants will tour either the Pickering or Darlington facility on the morning of the 26th then go to NWMO building for presentations. Ann Aikens (NWMO) will forward Ontario Provincial Police release form and Tour Identification Requirements documents. All required participant documents must be completed and received by Ann Aikens (NWMO) before the 4th of March. Participants must be 16 years of age or older.

The Committee supports the preparation of a procedure to answer community questions to ensure all inquiries receive responses and are addressed consistently. Although the Committee has not had a lot of questions, preparedness will be beneficial as the selection process progresses. The Committee agreed that the questions will be sorted by subject matter, sent out to Committee members prior to Committee meetings, discussed and either sent to NWMO for response or direct enquirer to published material for answer to inquiry.

The NWMO is interested in participating in the 2013 Family Safety Night and Nuclear Waste Administrative Assistant Michelle Briska will forward tentative date to Ann Aikens (NWMO). NWMO would like to host other informal community outreach events such as a fishing derby, family fun day or BBQ and would appreciate any other ideas from the Committee.

5.10 Next Meeting – February 11, 2013 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers

6. INFORMATION RESOURCES

7. ADJOURNMENT

The Committee adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Chair

Clerk