



Meeting Minutes
Coordination Committee
Mon. Mar 10, 2014, 3:00 – 5:00 pm
71 Main St W, City Hall, Rm 192/193

1. Introductions & Welcome

In Attendance:

Brian Montgomery, Air Quality Coordinator, City of Hamilton (Chair)
George McKibbon, McKibbon Wakefield Inc.
Matt Lawson, Public Health, City of Hamilton
Denis Corr, Citizen/Rotek Environmental/Mac Engineering Physics
Andrew Sebestyen, U.S. Steel Canada
Peter Chernets, Citizen
Deirdre Connell, Green Venture
Carl Slater, Regional Office, Ontario Ministry of the Environment
Jennifer Haan, Planning and Economic Development, City of Hamilton
Hazel Breton, Hamilton Conservation Authority
Jim Stirling, ArcelorMittal Dofasco
Debbie Achatz, Public Works, City of Hamilton
Mark Smithson, Ministry of Environment
Marie McKeary, McMaster Institute of Environment & Health
Anna Yusa, Health Canada
Brian Lennie, Horizon Utilities Corporation
Kathryn Gold, Green Venture
Sally Radisic, Public Health, City of Hamilton
Dave Carson, Dundas in Transition
Lynda Lukasik, Environment Hamilton
Devon Stanbury, Project Neutral

Regrets:

Heather Donison, Senior Project Manager, Sustainability, City of Hamilton
Peter Topalovic, Smart Commute -TDM, City of Hamilton
Lorraine Vanderzweert– Mohawk College
Frank Harrison, U.S. Steel Canada
Tom Chessman, Public Works, City of Hamilton
James Kaspersetz, OEAC
Carolyn Barnes, ArcelorMittal Dofasco
Karen Logan, HIEA Representative, Communication Coordinator

Meeting Commenced at 3:09pm

2. Approval of Feb, 2014 Minutes

- Approved

Updates:

3. Project Neutral – Devon Stanbury

- Started 3 years ago in Toronto
- Goal: Transition neighbourhoods to carbon neutrality
- Work with neighbourhoods at the neighbourhood level
- Engaged 1000 households
- PN recognised for Climate Change Leadership, received Trillium Grant to expand
- What does PN offer?
 - Track emissions at household, neighbourhood and City-Wide level
 - Framework for engagement
 - Online tools to start the conversation
 - Leverage experience in T.O and investment tools

4. Upwind Downwind Conference – Brian Montgomery

- 160 attended conference, 140 attended Sunday talk
- 19 evaluations submitted – Very Satisfied
- Presentations are posted online – Sending out email
- Budget ballpark cost: \$32,000, brought in \$25,400. \$6,000 out of reserve fund
- Attendance was 50% students and 50% others.
- Feedback: More local content

5. Clean Air Hamilton Chair Search – Brian Montgomery

- Position posted December – February
- 6 inquiries, with 2 applications (1 CAH, 1 outside)
- Meeting next week to review and evaluate. Update next month

6. Climate Change Group Update – Brian Montgomery

- Currently in Phase 1
- April – May 2014
- Developing Engagement Strategy for Community Plan
- Submit funding application to GMF

7. 2014 Clean Air Hamilton Report – Brian Montgomery

- Monday March 17 – Draft 1 Circulation
- Farmed out sections to writers
- Final report to be submitted – May 20th
- April 8 – Draft 2 circulation
- April 22 – Draft 3 circulation
- Note for next year: Accessible document/ report for public

8. 2014 Clean Air Hamilton Programs – Brian Montgomery

- Clean Air Hamilton has a budget of \$40K for projects
- Opportunity in March to present proposals/ideas to Clean Air Hamilton
- Keeps members informed of programs and actions
- Should tie in with Strategic Plan
- Will require updates to Clean Air Hamilton as identified programs rolling out
- Some programs described:

A) Air Monitoring & Cyclists

- Program began in Pennsylvania
- bike based air monitoring program - <http://gasp-pgh.org/projects/bam/>
- focussed on transportation corridors
- PM personal air monitor that cyclists wears
- Data extracted and then mapped
- City has some pedestrian monitors, may be of interest to have air monitoring coincide at those locations for pedestrians
- Suggestion that also look at strollers and children's exposure to air pollutants in transportation corridors.

B) Air Monitoring Schools

- Successful in 2013 with 2 schools
- <http://www.saferoutestoschool.ca/blog/clean-air-kids>
- Air monitor and kids lessons around air quality

- commuting to school and air quality
- hand held dust monitors
- looks at PM

C) Neighbourhood Monitoring

- Capital budget approved to finish off areas identified in 2010 program

D) Project Neutral

- Program began in Toronto
- <http://projectneutral.org/>
- Addressing climate actions with residents
- Program has launched in Guelph, Kitchener and Peterborough
- Carbon Neutral will present to CAH at March meeting

E) AQHI Mapping

- web professional would be nice when ready to go live
- identified in Clean Air Hamilton Strategic Plan

F) Climate Champions

- Climate Charter continues support
- Climate Map continued support
- focus on individuals
- supports Community Climate Change Action Plan

- Other projects to consider – Totally Transit – continue bus education and programming for kids and older adults, Electric bikes/vehicles – what they are? How to use? What is available? Charging stations locations? Laws/regulations around their use?

Action item: Create template for each project. Funding breakdown, start date and end product.

New Business:

9. AQMS at GTA Clean Air Council – Brian Montgomery

- Workshop on AQMS, Matt and Brian attended on behalf of Public Health
- 1. What info can you share? 2. What info can you share from province?
- Nothing to be announced from Province at this time.

Other:

Meeting Adjourned at 5:05 pm

Next meetings:

April 14, 2014

3:00-5:00pm

City Hall Room 192/193