



Dufferin Aggregates Community Liaison Committee (CLC) Meeting Minutes (For Review) Draft 2

Meeting Date, Time & Location

Wednesday, September 28, 2011, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.
Acton Quarry office, 12791 Churchill Road, Acton

Participants

Name	Organization
Norm Elliott	Local Neighbour
Monica Gunn	Vision Advisory Committee (VAC)
Ron Heller	Acton East Housing Corp
Geoff Knuff	Local Neighbour
Paul Vanhanen	Bruce Trail Conservancy
Enzo Bertucci	Dufferin Aggregates
Rob McDougall	Dufferin Aggregates

Regrets

- John McNabb, Local Neighbour
- Shawn Steepe, Local Neighbour
- Andrea Bourrie, Holcim (Canada) Inc.

Guests

- Heinz Rusche, Bruce Trail Conservancy

CLC Facilitation and Support

- John McHugh
- Jeff Lang-Weir

Minutes

- Members reviewed and approved the June 7, 2011 CLC minutes
- Rob McDougall gave an operational update of the Acton Quarry
 - The quarry is ahead of planned production
 - Supplying a lot of material to Target, which is building a large warehouse in Milton
 - Safety Day took place at the quarry on September 21 and included activities such as:
 - Rescue simulations
 - Fire extinguisher training
 - Emergency preparedness



- Safety Day occurs in September every year as a reminder of how to ensure safe practices as winter approaches and 2011 marked the third year
 - The event takes place at all Holcim sites across Canada on the same day
- Open House was held September 10, 2011
 - Approximately 300 attendees
 - Breakfast, games, haul truck rides, equipment displays, bus tours and speeches
 - Collected donations of 140 lbs of food for the Acton Food Bank
- Rob and Enzo Bertucci provided an update on Socially and Environmentally Responsible Aggregates (SERA)
 - Draft Standards were released June 1, 2011
 - Holcim Canada partnered with Environmental Defense Canada to create a collaboration to set voluntary standards for aggregate production
 - SERA has received endorsements from municipalities and environmental groups
 - SERA is in the process of establishing a technical advisory group which will establish the standards of what would be required to become a SERA certified company
 - Dufferin has set up an internal group to audit sites and ensure that as soon as certification becomes available, Dufferin will be able to make applications promptly
 - Geoff Knuff asked if Holcim would look to European standards for best practices
 - Enzo said that they would look to both Europe and other best practices from around the world
 - As part of the 2012 Olympic bid for London, a percentage of all materials for construction had to fall within specified environmental guidelines and Holcim won several contracts on that basis due to its established environmental practices
 - Monica Gunn asked if they were hoping that other quarry companies would join to SERA
 - Enzo replied that it is not meant to be a Holcim only initiative – that they would encourage other companies to become certified as well, adding the Miller Group and the Strata Group are on board
- Enzo provided an update on the Amphibian Demonstration Pond
 - Dufferin has partnered with Ministry of Natural Resources (MNR), Conservation Halton, and Credit Valley Conservation Authority to construct demonstration amphibian ponds on the Acton Quarry property
 - Two ponds have been designed and will be constructed shortly with the intent that they provide suitable Jefferson salamander habitat
 - Dufferin has identified other locations in the area on which ponds could be created in the future
 - Norm Elliott asked if creating artificial habitats could harm natural habitats already in place
 - Enzo replied that MNR believes that the habitat already there is insufficient and that creating further ponds in areas that are currently open fields would be helpful. While there is no guarantee that the new ponds will be successful, there is no downside or risk to the current habitat
- Enzo provided an update on the Joint Agency Review Team (JART)



- Dufferin has continued to meet with members of JART and their peer reviewers in order to work through technical issues related to the application
- JART has provided clearance and/or conditional clearance letters on the following: archaeology and cultural landscape, noise and blasting, and air quality
- Dufferin is very close but still awaiting a final position on the following: water and AMP, natural environment, transportation, visual impact assessment, and agricultural impact
- Dufferin agreed to a JART request to expand the scope of the traffic assessment and provided an addendum report
- Dufferin is working to reach a balance between including berms for safety reasons and maintaining a visually pleasing quarry from the outside
- Enzo said Dufferin would like to get a final report from JART by the end of the year
- In May 2010 Dufferin began the Aggregate Resources Act (ARA) notification period
 - Received objection letters from 33 respondents – Dufferin responded to each concern and followed up with phone calls and is in the process of setting up one-on-one meetings with people who still have concerns
 - In the new year, Dufferin will send out another letter seeing if respondents still have objections
- Norm asked why the transportation study isn't being extended to Peel Region
 - Enzo replied that MMM Group, Dufferin's transportation consultant who prepared the report, was 100 per cent confident that Peel is well beyond the best practice requirements for a traffic impact assessment for the local area
- Paul Vanhanen provided an update on the new Bruce Trail parking lot on 22 Side Road
 - Bruce Trail has received approval to begin construction shortly on the parking lot. It will be approximately 60 feet x 80 feet and it is hoped it will be built within the next month
 - Geoff asked if there would be any tree removal to accommodate the parking lot
 - Paul replied that there would not
 - Enzo asked how long construction would take
 - Paul replied that it would take two days
- Paul requested that a side trail be considered for construction to connect to the Guelph Radial Trail, going across the entrance to the Quarry
 - Rob said that it would be taken back to Holcim for consideration
- Rob suggested that for a future meeting the Acton CLC could considering going to the Milton Quarry for a tour

This has been tentatively booked for Tuesday October 18, 2011. CLC members are asked to meet at Acton Quarry from where they will take a bus to Milton.

Next Meeting:

The next CLC meeting has been tentatively scheduled for Monday December 5, 2011, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m. at the Acton Quarry office.