

Canaport LNG Project Canaport Community Environmental Liaison Committee (CCELC)

Minutes of Meeting CCELC # 18
Monday February 13, 2006
Approved as Amended

Red Head United Church
6:05pm -8:00pm

Committee Present:

- Armstrong, Stu Resident
- Dalzell, Gordon SJ Citizens Coalition for Clean Air
- Griffin, Dennis Co-chair of CCELC, resident
- Griffin, Glenn Resident
- Hunter, Roger Resident
- Johnson, Jan Resident
- Lyttle, Dwain Resident
- MacKinnon, Claude ACAP Representative
- Malcharek, Rainer Bayside Power
- Melanson, Don Resident
- Perry, Yvonne Resident
- Quinn, Kevin Bay Pilots & Marine Consultants
- Rogers, Kathy Member
- Roy, Beth Resident
- Smith, Elsie Resident
- Thompson, Jean Resident

Committee Absent:

- Barton, Dianna Enterprise Saint John
- Court, Ivan City of Saint John Councilor
- Daigle Dawn Resident
- Debly, Teresa Resident
- Long, Warren Co-chair of CCELC, Irving Oil
- Macaulay, David Resident
- Thompson David Member
- Turner, Rick Saint John Board of Trade

Resources:

- Caines, Crystal Fundy Engineering
- Forsythe, Fraser Fundy Engineering
- Walker, Carolyn NBDELG

Observers:

Six observers were in attendance throughout the meeting.

Opening Remarks:

The meeting commenced at 6:05 pm with Fraser Forsythe opening the meeting, welcoming all returning members and resource attendees. Due to the weather and travel complications, Warren Long could not make the meeting.

Denis Griffin submitted his resignation as the committee co-chair. Mr. Griffin will continue to serve on the committee as a member. Due to this resignation, Stu Armstrong was asked by Warren Long, and has agreed to become, the next co-chair for the CCELC beginning next meeting.

Review of Agenda:

The meeting agenda was reviewed and accepted with no revisions.

Review & Approval of minutes of January 9, 2006th meeting:

The minutes of the meeting of January 9, 2006 (meeting #17) were reviewed and approved (moved Beth Roy, seconded by Roger Hunter) with no revisions. Several action items resulted upon acceptance of the minutes and are as follows;

ACTION 18-1: Clarify whether a pipeline underwater would have greater or less of an impact on the environment in comparison to a pipeline located on land

ACTION 18-2: Clarify if Dawn Daigle still wishes to be a member of the Committee (last meeting attended July 2005)

Members Statement:*Blasting:*

The topic of blasting was raised as there were concerns from some of the members regarding a few of the larger blasts on site. Fraser Forsythe explained the proponent's commitments in relation to blasting, including monitoring the level of concussion (sound pressure) and vibration at two different locations representative of the residents nearest the site for every blast. To date, there has been only one exceedence for the concussion levels measured at one of the residences (this exceedence is reviewed in the NBDELG environmental compliance status report). There has never been an exceedence of the vibration limits at the residents. As a quality

control measure, Fundy Engineering has performed independent monitoring of the noise and vibration at several residences, and has reported results similar to the contractor performing the monitoring.

Some questions that were raised in relation to blasting:

Q: Who sets the blasting limits? **A:** Blasting limits are set out in the Municipality Act, and are also a condition within the NBDELG Phase II Approval to Construct for this project.

Q: What is the point of having limits when there is no action taken when they are exceeded? **A:** Every time there is an exceedence, there is a possibility of receiving fines or stop work orders. Enforcement is likely to take place when there have been multiple breaches, and no action is ever taken to ensure the same mistake is not repeated.

Q: How long will blasting last? **A:** The blasting for this phase (Phase II) will end near the end March. There will be blasting for the next phase, but it is expected to be a lesser extent than that of the current phase.

Leave of absence:

Don Melanson notified the members that he will be taking a leave of absence from the committee due to the fact that he will be temporarily locating to Bathurst for 12 weeks. Mr. Melanson will remain a member of the committee, returning to active participation July/August.

Canaport Connections:

Canaport Connections newsletter has been distributed to the community, and several comments were made by the committee members with respect to content. One member was disappointed to read the response on the exclusion zones, and their purpose being "to protect the fishermen".

Another member pointed out that Ducks Unlimited is taking credit where credit isn't due as the Atlantic Coastal Action Program(ACAP) were primarily the ones taking the initiative for the rehabilitation of the Red Head Marsh. The members felt these issues should be brought back to the group who are responsible for preparing the newsletter.

ACTION 18-3: Provide feedback as noted above to the group responsible for creating the "Canaport Connections" newsletter

Business Arising from Previous Meetings

Report on Action Items for meeting #17:

- 17-1 Member's statement was included on the February 13, 2006 agenda and will continue to be included on following agendas.
- 17-2 Members who have resigned include Don Cullinan, Mike Stevens and Andy McIntosh.
- 17-3 This action item will be carried over and indicated in the table of outstanding action items.
- 17-4 No update was provided at the meeting. This action item will carry over.
- 17-5 Outstanding action items were tabled and a copy of the table was provided to each member in attendance. Action items that require follow-up will be added to the table of outstanding actions. Once the action item has been addressed, it will be removed from the table.
- 17-6 Mean daily traffic volumes were presented for the month of December and consisted of 57 vehicles. Daily traffic volumes were highest during 6:00-7:00 am and again in the evening at 6:00-7:00 pm. Traffic volumes reported include Canaport LNG traffic, and exclude all other Canaport traffic.

A table of outstanding action items was provided to the committee. Action 8-10 was brought to the committee's attention as the Pipeline Act was introduced and passed December 22, 2005 and proclaimed into law on January 27, 2006. Gordon Dalzell expressed his dissatisfaction that it was approved so quickly and provided little to no opportunity for public involvement. The act can be viewed online at the link below.

https://www.neb-one.gc.ca/ll-eng/livmlink.exe/fetch/2000/90464/90550/90705/392452/390254/A0S7G4 - Project_Description.pdf?nodeid=390154&vernum=0

The following action items will be removed from the table created for this meeting:

- 8-10: Revised Pipeline Act was introduced and passed Dec 22, 2005, and proclaimed into law Jan 27, 2006. The associated act and regulations can be viewed on the links provided below.
Act: <http://www.gnb.ca/0062/PDF-acts/p-08-5.pdf>
Regulations: <http://www.gnb.ca/0062/regs/p-8-5req.htm>
- 10-6: Letter was sent to Minister.
- 12-10: Modeling Study completed, and is available for viewing at the Fundy Engineering office.
- 15-3: Clarification: This action item will remain on the table of action items. EIA has not yet been registered. A report on the Project Description for the proposed Brunswick Pipeline Project has been

issued and is available by accessing the following link.
https://www.neb-one.gc.ca/ll-eng/livelihood.exe/fetch/2000/90464/90550/90705/392452/390254/A0S7G4 - Project_Description.pdf?nodeid=390154&vernum=0.

It was brought to the committee's attention that regular updates on the fishermen's meetings with IOL should be added as an ongoing action to the list of outstanding action items.

ACTION 18-4: Add "Provide monthly updates where available on the Fishermen meetings with IOL and associated government authorities" to the table of outstanding actions

New Business:

The following questions/comments were raised as part of new business.

Q: Has there been any thought to traffic and parking areas for next phase?

A: Nothing has been decided to date. The existing contractor on site has prepared a parking lot for their vehicles; however, more space will be needed for the next phase of the Project.

One member expressed concern on an issue that was previously raised about employees preferring to drive their own vehicles to the site. Another committee member claimed the bussing of personnel was successful with the "King of Cats" upgrade project, and should be encouraged for the next phase of this project as well.

Q: Gordon Dalzell asked the question of whether or not there are any plans in place to reach out to the residents in Champlain Heights to provide accommodations for workers expected for the next phase. If so, Mr. Dalzell would object to the recruiting.

A: There are no plans currently in place.

Kathy Rogers commented concerning the previous minutes not capturing another member's statement in relation to her "attendance" at council meetings during her time on town council. To counter this comment, Kathy presented to the committee a letter by J. Patrick Woods, common clerk of the City of Saint John, confirming the time she served as a council member (May 1986-May 1995), and her "virtually unblemished attendance record". In addition, to Ms. Rogers attendance, the letter goes on to state that she has served on various committees, and her "commitment to the well being of our citizens and the best interests of the City of Saint John is beyond question".

NBDELG Monthly Status Reports:

Carolyn Walker presented the Environmental Compliance Status Report for the month of January-February 2006. Some of the topics included the following;

- Wetland and Watercourse Application Submission for the TK-557 Pond to expand existing spoil pile location;
- Phase 3 Application for the Approval to Construct was submitted to the NBDELG;
- Disposal at Sea Permit was amended to reflect the date change;
- Tracking Database has been updated;
- TSS Reports-No exceedences were reported for the month of January. There was an exceedence in relation to TSS present in surface water exiting the site on February 6. The cause of the exceedence was a result of a heavy rainfall event and the increased activity at that site location. Although sedimentation control structures were in place, the levels were greater than the limit of 50 mg/L per upset event. Mitigative measures were immediately implemented and included the installation of five additional check dams. These areas will be monitored for TSS in the future after every rainfall event exceeding 5 mm;
- Groundwater monitoring revealed only normal fluctuations;
- Blast reports-There was an exceedence in the concussion levels for the blast on January 12, measuring at 133 dB (5 dB over the limit). The exceedence was suspected to be caused by the blasting of oversize boulders that did not have any groundcover to absorb the noise. Mitigative measures have since been implemented;
- 2 public inquiries (One was in regards to the use of waste heat from a source to re-vaporize the LNG; The second was in regards to pumping the LNG in its liquid state to a distant heat source for regassification).

Carolyn Walker announced that she will be leaving on maternity leave at the end of July, returning in 6 months time. Her position as NBDELG LNG Compliance Officer however, will be filled for that period.

Junior Achievement

Junior Achievement is a not for profit organization, educating and inspiring young people about business and economics. Repsol YPF, partner in Canaport LNG, is actively involved with Junior Achievement (J.A.) in other countries, and has expressed interest in being involved with J.A. in this area, through Jorge Ciacciarrelli, general manager of Canaport LNG. Melanie Vautour, Program Manager for J.A. in southwestern New Brunswick, presented to the committee a brand new J.A. program, the first of its kind, and fully sponsored by Canaport LNG, that will be introduced to east Saint John schools this spring. Called “Our Country: Technology and Innovation”, the program will be taught to Grade 4 students.

Through participation in this program, students will:

- draw the connection between traditional and modern technologies;

- learn about Canadian inventions and their inventors;
- bid to bring new or old technologies to market in a class auction;
- experience a day in the future by inventing a new device.

Canaport LNG personnel will help deliver the program to local youth, and it is hoped that additional volunteers from the CCELC will add their names to the volunteer pool and invest 5 to 7 hours a month to make the project a success. If any CCELC members are interested in volunteering, or finding out more information about this new program, please contact Canaport LNG Community and Communications Office at 658-6250 (ext 7111) for more information.

Update of Environmental Impact Assessments (EIA):

Both EIA's (Canaport Facility Lands Development & Red Head Secondary Access Road) have been submitted and are currently being reviewed by the NBDELG. Summary of Public Involvement reports have also been submitted to the NBDELG and are being reviewed.

Gordon Dalzell indicated that these summaries of public involvement are also publicly available, and include questions and concerns presented by the public for the proponent to address.

ACTION 18-5: Fundy Engineering to provide copies of the Public Involvement Summaries for both EIA's upon request

Discussion resulted around several issues pertaining to the Red Head Secondary Access Road EIA, including groundwater monitoring and concerns of who (Irving Oil or City of Saint John) would be held responsible if impacts resulted to groundwater, and the implications of the expropriation process and how the public hearings will affect the outcome of the roadway.

ACTION 18-6: Invite a representative from the City of Saint John to address and speak on behalf of the city on the above noted issues

Adjourned: 8:00 pm

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Attachments:

Table of Actions/Responsibilities – February
Table of Outstanding Action Items (as distributed during February's meeting)
Traffic Update

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18-2	<i>Clarify if Dawn Daigle still wishes to be a member of the Committee (last meeting attended July 2005)</i>	Fundy Eng	March 13, 2006
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18-6	<i>Invite a representative from the City of Saint John to address and speak on behalf of the city on the above noted issues</i>	Fundy Eng/Canaport LNG	March 13, 2006