

FINAL
O.S.P.E. LAND DRAINAGE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF MEETING
Thursday October 20, 2011
Holiday Inn Hotel and Conference Centre
Guelph, Ontario

1.0 Attendance and Call to Order

Members Present: Chris Allen, Chairman; Bill Dietrich, Secretary; John Kuntze, Tom Marentette, Tim Oliver, Tom Pridham

Liaison Members Present: Sid Vander Veen, OMAFRA; Davin Heinbuck, Conservation Authorities (ABCA), Pat Shaver, Office of Open Learning, University of Guelph; Art Groenveld, MTO

Absent Members: Edwina McGroddy, O.S.P.E.; Tom Hoggarth, Fisheries and Oceans Canada; Jeremy Downe, MNR

Chairman Chris Allen called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.

2.0 Approval of Agenda

Motion by Tom Pridham, seconded by Tom Marentette, that the agenda as prepared by the Chairman be accepted. Carried.

3.0 Minutes of Last Meeting

Motion by John Kuntze, seconded by Tom Marentette that the minutes of the June 3, 2011 of the O.S.P.E. Land Drainage Committee Meeting as amended be accepted. Carried.

4.0 Business Arising From the Minutes

4.1 Pat Shaver to remove Leo Christl's name from the LDC website.

5.0 Correspondence

5.1 No correspondence received.

6.0 Liaison Report – Conservation Authorities Report
Davin Heinbuck

6.1 Drainage Act and Section 28 Regulations Team (DART) – Final Review comments from Conservation Authorities due October 21, 2011

6.2 CA Proposed Amendments to the Regulation – Currently with the Province.

Proposed amendments include:

i) Extension of permits from 2 years to 5 years under certain conditions

ii) Delegation of powers to Authority staff to approve Permits where Board Approval has been required in the past.

iii) Other 'housekeeping' items

6.3 Drains Action Working Group (DAWG) - No updates since last meeting; however, document is with DFO for final edits. Plan to meet again this fall.

7.0 Liaison Report – Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs
Sid VanderVeen

See the OMAFRA report presented at the Drainage Practitioners meeting which is included in the 2011 proceedings of the 43rd Drainage Engineers Conference.

8.0 Liaison Report – Ministry of Transportation of Ontario
Art Groenveld

8.1 Several of the states in the U.S. are following MTO guidelines for installing gravity pipe. There has been a 35% drop in prices since the guidelines were implemented.

8.2 The Drainage Act Proceedings course for staff is in March 2012.

8.3 There are many new technologies. MTO x-ray culverts to decide whether the culvert needs to be replaced, repaired or a new liner is needed. There is a polypropylene pipe product out which has a stiffness greater than HDPE pipe. It is ASTM and CSA approved.

8.4 IDF curves are on the MTO website.

8.5 The pipe inspection process is also now in place.

9.0 Sub-Committee Report – Drainage Act and Section 28 Regulations Team (D.A.R.T)

John Kuntze

9.1 The next DART meeting will be on Wednesday October 26, 2011.

10.0 New Business

10.1 Thirty seven will be attending the Land Drainage Course. The next session will be in 2012 at the conference.

11.0 Next Meeting

The next meeting will be Thursday January 19, 2012 at 1:00 p.m. at the Best Western Lamplighter Inn in London.

12.0 Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 p.m. Moved by Tom Pridham and seconded by Tom Marentette.

Chris Allen, Chairman

Bill Dietrich, Secretary