Community Liaison Committee Minutes

February 27, 2018	
Present	St Marys Cement: Jose Soraggi, Kara Terpstra, Vanessa Barr
	St Marys Council: Al Strathdee, Jim Craigmile, Brent Kittmer
	Community Members: Marvin Arthur, Sylvia Harvey, Roger Muir, Marti Lindsay
	MOECC: Emmilia Kuisma, Krysta-Leigh Johnston
Regrets	Stewart Grant (Community), Fernando Circelli (MOECC)

1. Welcome

10:00 Kara welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Minutes from November

Minutes were presented and reviewed by members. Suggestions for improvements were made which will be incorporated into future meeting minutes. Minutes will be approved going forward assuming suggestions are incorporated.

Minutes can be more thorough when posted to the website. The CLC meetings are still in early stages and there is no set agenda. As the meetings grow and become more organized there will be standing agenda items and more detail provided.

3. Recent Activity

CBC Article published on December 4, 2017: Hard copy provided to the committee members

Meeting held with MOECC and Members of the SMFCA Facebook Page on December 4, 2017. 20 members of the SMFCA Facebook page attended and discussed the air quality. The Perth Health Unit was there to answer any questions as well. The MOECC made a commitment to a follow up meeting in the Spring 2018. It was noted that the meeting was held by the MOECC as a response to the SMFCA Facebook page and not as a request of the CLC.

Newspaper Articles in the St Marys Independent published on December 15, 2017: Hard copy provided to the committee members.

Results from MOECC Mobile testing conducted in Summer 2016 The results were posted on the town website in February 2018. Results of further testing from the MOECC including a permanent unit will be posted on the town website.

Preventative Maintenance Planned Shutdown at St Marys Cement January 1 to February 23, 2018.

4. Finalization of CLC Terms of Reference & Discussion about Open Meeting with the Public

Open discussion about the terms included in the Terms of Reference. Four meetings per year and one meeting to be held at night. Public may attend and will approach a community member in advance to speak on their behalf.

Additional meetings may be scheduled on an as-needed basis.

Highlighted points of interest included meetings being open to public who are able to observe but not have speaking status, conflict of interest, and membership status. Also noted that

community complaints will be a standard/standing agenda item. The final charter will be sent out and finalized.

5. Source Testing Results and Next steps

Kara reviewed the results of the source testing completed at the plant November 27-29, 2017. Source testing was completed using MOECC Approved testing methods and standards. Corresponding air dispersion modelling was completed using MOECC Approved modelling. Results show that St Marys Cement is within regulatory limits for both Point of Impingement and Odour guidelines. Further steps are to finalize an Odour Abatement Plan which has to be approved by the MOECC.

6. Round Table

Jim Craigmile asked about the status of particulate testing to be completed in the stack. He also wondered about overall air emissions in St Marys outside of St Marys Cement and their corresponding monitoring.

Marti Lindsay noted the committee is progressing well. Most important upcoming steps are to get information out to the public.

Marvin Arthur noted he had great success with getting answers from the plant when he brought forth a community issue that had come up recently.

Sylvia Harvey noted it is good to see the science supporting that the plant is within regulatory limits but there is still opportunity to further investigate the impacts on health.

Emmilia Kuisma noted that the report about air monitoring in town, both from the permanent station and mobile testing which was completed during the source testing, will be posted by the MOECC. Currently the Perth Health County is reviewing the reports.

7. Closing Remarks

There is an upcoming meeting being held by the MOECC which will be open to citizens, town council, and St Marys Cement in April.

The next CLC meeting will be held June 1st. More details to follow. Committee agreed that the 2nd Wednesday is the suggested meeting day and majority of CLC members prefer day rather than evening.

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Vanessa.