

**LOCAL CITIZENS' COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**Sault Ste. Marie District**  
**Monday, Sept. 9, 2002 - 5:30 p.m.**  
**68 Old Garden River Road**

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**AGENDA**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Jeff Hinich, voted as acting Chairman, called the meeting to order with a quorum present at 5:37 p.m.

**2. INTRODUCTIONS**

Introductions were made for the benefit of Larry Skinkle, guest speaker.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Kerry Sinibaldi, seconded by Art Osborne. Motion carried.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE June 10, 2002 MEETING**

A motion to approve the minutes was made by Lise Vorlicek seconded by Brad Jourdin. Motion carried.

**5. ACTION ARISING FROM MINUTES OF THE June 10, 2002 MEETING**

There were no action items.

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**

Final agenda for the 2002 LCC Regional Workshop was received. Art Osborne, Brad Jourdin, Franc Pridoehl and Kerry Sinibaldi are attending.

**7. REGULAR BUSINESS**

**1. *Guest Speaker - Timber EA Renewal - Larry Skinkle - Forest Mgmt. Planning Branch***

Larry provided a handout of the slide presentation that he has presented to a number of groups already and will tailor it to this specific meeting.

Larry provided an historic background to the Timber EA and mentioned that there were 115 Terms and Conditions (T & C's) and are now down to 54 due to the implementation of the CFSA.

Regulation of the new FMP planning manual should take place in the spring of 2003. The 2007 plans will have to use the new manual.

Larry discussed the lengthy process of creating a manual starting with the proposal, public consultation and then Cabinet approval. Any amendments will require MOEE approval prior to actual changes in the manual. There is difficulty in the process because of the length of time involved. He gave the example of water crossings and how both the Feds and MNR are involved in dealing with them in the field and how to address it in the manual and cover all the bases.

There were major gains made in identifying Issue Resolution and Bump Up concerns and resolutions.

Use Management Strategies are now required for tertiary roads.

All audits are amalgamated into one audit only.

There is a five year reporting requirement.

LCC membership role has not really changed much. There are some changes in regards to Aboriginal and now Metis, mineral sector identified, and participation of direct members of SFL's will not be eligible for membership. LCC's still participate in audits, Issue Resolution is still the same and FMP planning team member is still the same.

In the FMP Improvement project the task groups identified problems and issues. The Steering Committee reviewed the full report and came up with recommendations. There were five different groups - Strategic Direction, Harvest Aspect, Road Strategy, Native Consultation and Public Consultation.

## **2. FMP Update - Jim Miller**

Jim had just returned from making a presentation to City Council in regards to the Timber EA Review.

Jim has now officially taken over Trevor Isherwood's position as General Manager of Clergue and has spent some time realigning staff at Clergue. The amalgamation of the Algoma and Wawa Forests is continuing and Jim is looking for a new name for the new unit. Clergue has hired a silvicultural forester and Tim Reece, Clergue Planning Forester will be spending more time at LCC meetings.

Barry Henson is working at Pancake Lake, Avery is in the Mile 67 area, Lecuyer is at Penelope Lake and Yarduk is at Devil's Lake.

The audit indicated a more aggressive effort be made in yellow birch natural regeneration tailoring harvest cuts to emulate site preparation conditions. A field trip may be required in Gaudette Township.

The aerial spray project was completed after the long weekend. It took one evening and one morning to complete. It was a very efficient operation with only one helicopter and one truck with herbicides.

Mechanical site prep continues off the Ranger Lake Road - 50 ha left to go.

Kerry stated that hauling from the north end of the unit is now completed.

Jim reminded the LCC of the field trip on this Saturday - 24 places available.

Jim handed out the Compliance Summary - 1 in access and 1 in harvest.

The 2005-2010 FMP preparation will use the existing manual for the amalgamated unit. There is a requirement for an LCC rep on the planning team. The Invitation To Participate will be sent out on Nov 20<sup>th</sup>. The Information Centre will be on June 23/03.

Jim reviewed the draft agenda for the Planning Team Meeting.

Franc Pridoehl asked about the FSC and Jim indicated that certification was not a priority at this time.

The LCC member on the planning team needs to commit to a meeting once a month, some training sessions, meetings twice a month once planning becomes more involved, this goes on for about 2 1/2 years.

Jeff Hinich volunteered to be return as the LCC rep on the planning team and Lise Vorlicek volunteered as his alternate. Lise will participate in training. It was noted that any members absent from this meeting are welcome to attend any of the training that is available.

Kitty Lewis expressed concerns from comments of a number of hunters concerning slash pile burning. It will be the middle of the moose season and the animals will be affected by the smoke. Kerry stated that they cannot start burning any earlier due to fire hazard concerns and the limited number of burning contractors. Small crews have to cover large wide spread areas which results in a longer time required to complete the project. Kerry also talked to hunters and has not received too many negative responses. He actually has seen more moose during the time frame of the operation.

### ***3. Communication Update - Art Osborne***

Art handed out copies of the old matrix for review. Stakeholders to be aware, program with Shaw Cable, web site up and running, business cards out, brochures out as well. Art asked the committee members to review the matrix for the next meeting, who has done what, check list as to how communications are working, will help in leading up to the first open house.

**4. District Update - Kip Bradfield**

Deferred to next meeting.

**5. LCC Budget - Kip Bradfield**

Handed out.

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

**1). Regional Advisory Committee - Brad Jourdin**

Brad gave members an overview of his last meeting. Some of the topics were wood supply, access planning around tourism, abandoned roads and liability and EA presentation. Their next meeting is November 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in Cochrane.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Paul Foisy, seconded by Kerry Sinibaldi. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 8:10 pm.

**10. NEXT MEETING**

Due to a conflict with Thanksgiving and the usual meeting date, the next meeting will be held on **Monday October 21st. at 5:30 pm at the Sault Trailblazers Clubhouse located directly behind the Water Tower Inn in their rear parking area. The address is 68 Old Garden River Road. The usual meal will be provided.**

Kip Bradfield  
A/Recording Secretary  
Local Citizens' Committee

Attachments