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# **Minutes of Meeting**

COUNCIL APPROVED

Meeting Date:

March 23, 2017

Project No.: 300031221.0000

**Project Name:** 

Teedon Pit License Amendment - Wash Plant

Meeting Subject: MNRF Meeting

Meeting Location: Midhurst, Ontario

**Date Prepared:** 

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# The following items were discussed

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#### 1. **Teedon Pit License Amendment**

The MNRF provided an overview of the process for the Teedon Pit Site Plan Amendment for a Wash Plant as requested by

K.J. Beamish Construction Ltd (Beamish).

The Ministry of Environment and Climate Change (MOECC) has previously approved the Permit to take Water (PTTW) for the Wash Plant.

The PTTW application review process would conduct a more detailed review of the impacts to groundwater quantity and quality

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than the MNRF site plan amendment process. MOECC is the provincial ministry responsible for the monitoring of water quality and quantity issues. The MNRF relies on MOECC to provide technical advice on any potential impacts from a water taking.

The MNRF is responsible for the enforcement of the site. If a water/dust complaint is received, MNRF works jointly with the MOECC to address the complaint.

The Township's recommendation with respect to the monitoring of private wells was considered by the MNRF and discussed with MOECC but was not included in the approval of the Teedon Pit Site Plan Amendment for a Wash Plant. The monitoring of private wells was not deemed necessary by MNRF and there were concerns with the liability of directing a private company (Beamish) to inspect and monitor private wells.

#### 2. Private Wells

2.1 The MNRF were made aware of private well complaints and waited for the MOECC to complete their investigation before proceeding with the Wash Plant pit license amendment. The MNRF had been provided with copies of the MOECC responses to the private well owners.

It is the responsibility of the MNRF to ensure the site is operated in accordance with the approved site plan. This includes compliance with site plan conditions regarding water monitoring. There is no legislated inspection schedule. MNRF completes random inspections.

The MNRF is not aware of any information with respect to a well decommissioned by Beamish.

## 3. Sibthorpe Pit

The Township noted that a Public Meeting under the Planning Act had been held for the proposed gravel pit expansion Official Plan and Zoning By-law Amendments (Sibthorpe Pit) applications in January 2015.

The Township is concerned about the staging of material extraction in the Teedon and Sibthorpe pits and expects the material to be removed in an orderly fashion. The MNRF would consider

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"maximum disturbance" staging text in the approved pit license operating plans.

#### 4. Comments from Residents

The Township brought forward the following concerns from nearby residents.

- PTTW There is a difference of opinions between the Hydrogeological professional retained by Beamish and the local domestic well owners.
- ii. Importing Asphalt onto Site MNRF noted that:
  - The asphalt is being stockpiled for crushing and sale.
  - There are six conditions on Teedon Pit License site plans.
    For example stockpiles must be kept 30 m from surface water sources and 2 m above the local groundwater table.
- iii. Domestic Well Complaints What is the process if the group's complaints are not dealt with? Burnside recommended base line testing of wells.

#### 5. Enforcement of Pit License

The MNRF completes random gravel pit inspections. MNRF has different compliance tools to deal with non-compliance including, remedial actions noted in an inspection report, charges under the Aggregate Resources Act or a suspension of the license. If infractions are not dealt with by the Pit Owner within the time specified by the MNRF, then further compliance action may be taken.

### 6. Imported Fill

The MNRF policy allows aggregate operators to apply to import fill for the construction of 3:1 side slopes as part of the pit rehabilitation. The pit owner would need to demonstrate a need to import fill for rehabilitation and that the fill imported meets the MOECC Table 1 specifications. A MOECC Environmental Compliance Approval is not required for the placement of fill.

Any further filling with the gravel pit after the Pit License is closed would need to be in compliance with the Township Fill By-law.

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The preceding are the minutes of the meeting as observed by the undersigned. Should there be a need for revision, please advise Burnside within seven days of issuance. In the absence of notification to the contrary, these minutes will be deemed to be an accurate record of the meeting.

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