

## **Nomination for the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee**

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## **Report Summary**

This report provides a recommendation regarding the nomination process of a Member on the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee.

## **Resolution**

THAT the City of Greater Sudbury nominates Cheryl Beam, Water/Wastewater Task Force Program Lead, for appointment to the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee, as outlined in the report entitled “Nomination for the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee”, from the General Manager of Growth & Infrastructure, presented at the City Council meeting on May 11, 2021.

## **Relationship to the Strategic Plan, Health Impact Assessment and Community Energy & Emissions Plan (CEEP)**

This report refers to operational matters.

## **Financial Implications**

There are no financial implications associated with this report.

## **Background**

The Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee is a committee under the responsibility of the Nickel District Conservation Authority (NDCA) which is also the Source Protection Authority pursuant to the Clean Water Act, 2006.

As a result of the term for Kris Longston, Manager of Community & Strategic Planning, expiring on January 13th 2021, the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee is seeking a new municipal representative. During his term Mr. Longston provided invaluable input to the Committee, placing its policies in context with municipal planning and operational considerations.

Section 2 of the Ontario Regulation 288/07: Source Protection Committees under the Clean Water Act is the

authority for municipal appointments. The regulation requires that 1/3 of the members “must be persons appointed to reflect the interests of the municipalities that are located, in whole or in part, in the source protection area...” The other municipal appointees currently serving on the committee are Mike Jensen, Director of Water/Wastewater Treatment & Compliance and Paul Javor, Drainage Engineer. The municipal appointees are volunteer positions. Employees that serve in these roles continue to perform their regular duties for the City of Greater Sudbury.

The opportunity to serve as a municipal representative on the Greater Sudbury Source Protection Committee was made available to all city staff through CityLinks in Q1 2020. The application process identified a number of candidates who matched the qualifications, eligibility and responsibilities required, as well as fitting with the strategic initiatives of the City of Greater Sudbury. A review by the General Manager of Growth and Infrastructure and his Director Team in Q1 2021 determined that the applications received were sufficiently recent to also apply for the current opening.

Based on the above, it is recommended that Cheryl Beam, the Water/Wastewater Task Force Program Lead, be nominated for appointment by NDCA to fill the vacancy. Ms. Beam’s role in asset management and water stewardship along with her extensive experience in water/wastewater distribution & collection systems are an ideal fit for the source protection and activities performed by the Committee.

## **Conditions of Appointment**

The qualifications that the NDCA needs to follow and should be mindful of are as follows:

7. (1) A source protection authority shall not appoint a person as a member of the source protection committee unless the person resides in, owns or rents land in, is employed in, operates a business in, or is employed by a municipality that is located, in whole or in part, in the source protection area or source protection region, and every appointment made to the committee by the source protection authority is subject to the condition that the appointee must reside in, own or rent land in, be employed in, operate a business in, or be employed by a municipality that is located, in whole or in part, in the source protection area or source protection region. O. Reg. 288/07, s. 7 (1).

(2) If a consultant is retained by a person who resides in, owns or rents land in, is employed in or operates a business in the source protection area or source protection region, the consultant is not, by reason of the retainer, a person who is employed in or operates a business in the source protection area or source protection region for the purposes of subsection (1). O. Reg. 288/07, s. 7 (2).

(3) A source protection authority shall not appoint a person as a member of the source protection committee if the person is a member or employee of a conservation authority whose area of jurisdiction under the Conservation Authorities Act includes any part of the source protection area or source protection region, and every appointment made to the committee by the source protection authority is subject to the condition that the appointee must not be a member or employee of a conservation authority whose area of jurisdiction under the Conservation Authorities Act includes any part of the source protection area or source protection region. O. Reg. 288/07, s. 7 (3).

(4) Every appointment made to a source protection committee is subject to the following conditions:

1. The appointee must regularly attend meetings of the source protection committee.
2. The appointee must comply with the source protection committee’s code of conduct and conflict of interest policy. O. Reg. 288/07, s. 7 (4).

## **Resources Cited**

Clean Water Act: <https://www.ontario.ca/laws/statute/06c22>