



**Dufferin Aggregates Milton Quarry  
Community Advisory Panel (CAP)  
Meeting Minutes**

Event:	Community Advisory Panel (CAP) Milton Quarry
Date & Time:	Wednesday March 6, 2019 7:06 pm – 8:03 pm
Place:	Milton – Best Western
Chair:	Adam Bornstein, Smithcom Limited
Participants:	<u>CAP Members:</u> Walter Heyden, Dufferin Aggregates, Site Manager, Milton Quarry Letty Stevenson, Dufferin Aggregates, Milton Quarry Scott McCammon, Milton Chamber of Commerce Nancy Mott, Niagara Escarpment Commission Ted Brown, Halton Hills Councilor Colin Best, Town of Milton Councilor Bryan Lewis, Halton Hills Councilor Stephen Ng Qui Sang, Neighbour Kristina Tesser Derksen, Town of Milton Councilor (new member)
Minutes:	Alia Ahmed, Smithcom Limited
Regrets:	Nancy Tilt, Bruce Trail Janice Vancso, Neighbour Shelly Varley, Neighbour

**Minutes**

Adam asked members to review the minutes from the previous meeting of November 14, 2018. The original version of the minutes incorrectly lists Bryan Lewis as present rather than absent. This has been amended in the official version.

**Walter** – Motions to approve

**Scott** – Approves motion

**Ted** – Motion seconded

November 14, 2018 CAP Meeting Minutes approved.

**Walter** – Colin will now give a quick update on the plan for construction activities.

**Colin** – Regional staff give us these annual plans each year. We will receive another update document on April 10 for the 2019-2020 plan. The big activities are:

- Construction near CPR underpass. Most of the area is excavated and this summer there will be digging under the railway.
- The next section ranges from 3<sup>rd</sup> side road up to 5<sup>th</sup> side road, which will likely start to fill later next year with the main construction happening in 2021/2022.

The region is now going through its next official plan, holding public meeting this summer as well as next year. Expectation is that everything will be wrapped up in the Fall of 2020. The province directed municipalities to hold off on any plans until other housing plans are in place.

**New member Kristina Tesser Derksen** (Town Councilor Ward 1 Milton) arrives and is introduced to everyone.

**Walter** delivers a power-point presentation on the background of the Milton quarry and where it is today, as well as a 2019 operations update:

### **1) Reducing operation impacts at Milton**

Trucking:

- Active enforcement program by third party paid by Dufferin so trucks aren't blocking roads
- Quarterly meetings with Halton police services traffic services
- Bi-annual trucker safety inspection with MTO and HPS

Blasting:

- Four external blast monitors
- Two internal blast monitors
- Utilization of the most modern electronic blasting technologies

Water management system:

- Coordination with Conversation Halton on management of the DFA Milton reservoir

### **2) Operations**

- 2019 site prep: the first step is the removal of overburden to expose rock for mining, likely in the first week April
- Areas of extraction: North Quarry, West Cell, East Cell
- All Acton employees have been absorbed into the company (while shipping continues at Acton, production has ceased)

### **3) Production/Shipping:**

- 4.5 million tonnes to be blasted from January to November

- Shipping is handled Monday to Friday from 5:30am to 5:00pm (letters will be sent to residents if changes occur in the hours of operation)
- Saturday shipping is on demand

#### 4) **DFA in the community – upcoming**

- Earth day events: tree planting on April 27, clean-up week of April 22 on sixth line and Townline road
- Annual open doors/open hours on May 29
- The Darling Home for Kids golf day sponsor
- The Darling Home for Kids bike ride sponsor

#### 5) **General CSR events**

- Sponsor local minor league sports (hockey, soccer)
- Send kids to camp through the town of Milton
- Sponsor the Milton Mayor's golf tournament
- School tours (grades 4, 9 and university)
- Toronto Bruce trail club donation of armor stone for signs (pending approval)
- Sponsor numerous Chamber of Commerce events/community galas (Walter is the chair of the Milton Chamber of Commerce)

#### Committee Discussion / Open Forum

**Kristina** – How much of what you do to reduce operation impact is regulated as compared to what you do voluntarily?

**Walter** – The actions related to trucking is voluntary, and we have meetings with neighbours and councillors in this regard. The blast monitors are a regulatory requirement. However, with internal monitors we have our own internal targets. The water management component is part of our licence agreement to expand the quarry and is site specific.

**Kristina** – Of the items you do voluntarily, how do they compare to your competitors?

**Walter** – Our trucking enforcement is unique, and not typically adopted by the majority of other locations (though this could be also that other quarries are more remote). In terms of blasting, bigger operations would work similarly to ours. We have different focus groups around blasting. We would consider our water management to be world class.

**Bryan** – Where does overburden go?

**Walter** – The overburden is used in rehabilitation. We prepare areas to plant every year – that's what the overburden is used for.

We are about 15 meters below the water table. The final rehabilitation for those areas is lakes. We hope when the lakes get filled, the water table will sustain itself.

A well-designed blast will not exceed air concussion limits regardless of weather,

**Colin** – Where is majority of your work?

**Walter** – The majority is in the Bampton area, and some in the south end of Milton. More work is being secured in east end of city than in the west end. A lot of our concrete aggregates are going into Toronto.

**Ted** – Can you speak on the market for recycled concrete?

**Walter** – It's slow. The MTO is supportive of recycled aggregate.

**Stephen** – What are the uses of recycled aggregate?

**Walter** – Under parking lots, roads, highways. But the market is growing. The GTA is seeing a shortage of crushed concrete, so the market isn't always where the storage sites are. It is sold at a lower price than virgin aggregate, but the perception in the marketplace is that virgin is better. As the virgin supply gets skinnier or further away, recycled aggregate may get more popular.

**Bryan** – Do you know where every truck that leaves your facility is going?

**Walter** – Only if we are arranging the delivery. We deliver about 30% of our volume. The rest is picked up by buyers themselves, who want to control their own supply chain.

**ACTION ITEM** – Present an ecology update at the next CAP meeting.

**ACTION ITEM** – Publish a “here's what we're doing” note to the residents on Dublin Line and 5 Side Road, in light of what has been discussed tonight. Intent is to reassure them that things they have advocated for in the past are being done.

**Colin** – Motions for formal vote to add Kristina to the panel

**Stephen** – Seconded

Vote is unanimous. Kristina is formally added to the panel.

**Walter** – Motions to adjourn meeting.

Meeting adjourned.