

BATTLE LAKE WATERSHED SYNERGY GROUP

< <http://synergyalberta.ca/group/battle-lake-watershed-synergy-group> >

June 6, 2013

A meeting of the Battle Lake Watershed Synergy Group was held on Thursday, June 6, 2013 at the Lakedell Ag. Centre (Hall B) with Paul McLauchlin acting as Facilitator.

CALLED TO ORDER:

Paul called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Agenda

- Introductions
- Review of Minutes
- ERCB Updates
- AB Environment Updates
- Industry Updates
- Community Updates
- Water Well/Dug Out Testing and Test Wells
- Questionnaire results
- Next Meeting

ATTENDANCE:

In attendance were { 1 } residents, { 12 } industry representatives and government officials.
(See the attached list.)

ERCB Updates: Steve Harrington

1. Shared an up-to-date map for the group to keep on hand. The map shows Facility Installations, Pipelines, Well Licenses, etc. in the BL watershed boundary and surrounding area.
2. With regards to the question "Industry update in the Watershed?" Time consuming task, but info is included in the Land Development Information Package.
3. Alberta Energy Regulator (AER) will initially be started to phase in on June 17, 2013. The AER is 100% funded by Industry. Chairperson is now a part time position and the CEO to run full time. Overall increase in staff, for those directly involved with Energy. More pro-active approach within the organization.
4. ERCB announces Directive 083:Hydraulic Fracturing-Subsurface Integrity
5. Questions: Ken Jenny-If an objection was filed on a project, a mediator will still be applicable with the AER? Yes
 - If funded by Industry, where does the AB Gov't come in? Gov't policy's are still followed.
 - Concern over political "rhetoric". Hearsay that land owners may be losing rights? Not a lot of change at a stakeholder's viewpoint.
 - In the case of a change of gov't? Can't imagine it changing.

Industry Updates:

BayTex: Len Larson

1. Two work overs planned: 14-23-46-2-W5 and 12-22-46-2-W5:2-27 Battery
2. Mowing booked for the end of June.

PennWest: Allan Browse

1. 6-1-46-2-W5: Battery shutdown-Preventative
2. 11-1-46-2-W5: Well work over
3. Incident on June 4, 2013 near TWP Rd. 464 and RR 21 where a tank truck carrying produced sweet water tipped on its side in the ditch. The tank was safely unloaded, and no loss of liquid.

Questions: Ken Jenny-Why was taking pictures not allowed? Allowed, but trucking Co. probably concerned about reputation and what the pictures were going to be used for.

Kingsmere:Dennis Miller

1. 13-10-42-2-W5: Moving rig in next week. Duration-Approx. 12 days.
2. 1-25-46-2-W5 (just North of the Watershed Boundary): Belly River Well

Scollard: Trevor Krauss

1. Same activity as Kingsmere at the 13-10 well.

NEP: William Evans

1. Drilling planned for July- North of the Watershed Boundary

Bonavista: Eleanor Vokes

1. Have interest in the Watershed Boundary, just nothing currently active.
2. Possible 3rd quarter projects planned for development.

County of Wetaskiwin: Kathy Rooyakkers

1. Road bans are now lifted. Rough Spring weather causing poor roads. Struggling at getting them into shape.
2. Informed the group of an Alberta Lake Management Society workshop on Sept. 26-28, 2013 at the Lakedell AG Society Centre. Focusing on management of the quality and quantity of water within the Battle River Watershed and land uses that will impact or affect the regions' freshwater resources. Go to www.alms.ca to register.

Community Updates:

Jim Stevens: Absent-had added water well/dugout testing and test wells to the agenda. Tabled until next meeting.

Ken Jenny:
Concerns already addressed.

Will share questionnaire results at the next meeting when there are more members present

Next Meeting: September 5, 2013

ATTENDANCE LIST

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INDIVIDUAL	REPRESENTING
Paul McLauchlin	Facilitator
Deneen Evans	Facilitator Admin.
William Evans	NEP
Eleanor Vokes	BonaVista
Len Larson	Baytex
Allan Browse	Penn West
Lavonne Ingram	PennWest
Ken Jenny	Resident
Trevor Krauss	Scollard
Steve Harrington	ERCB
Rod Calder	PennWest
Kathy Rooyakkers	County of Wetaskwin
Dennis Miller	Kingsmere