

**Brunswick Pipeline Southwest New Brunswick Community Liaison Committee meeting  
(BPSWNB CLC)**

## **Minutes**

**April 24, 2014, 3-5 p.m.  
St. George Fire Hall**

Present for the meeting were:

Wayne Pollock  
Donald St. Pierre  
Marion St. Pierre  
Ken McLeod  
Sean Morton  
Andrew Langille  
Susan Layton  
Christian Richard  
Stacey Pineau

Regrets: Jim Brown and Jeff Richardson

### **Agenda item 1: Company representative presentation on Emera and Brunswick Pipeline operations.**

Company representative provides PowerPoint presentation on Emera operations.

### **Agenda item 2: Community Liaison Committee overview**

Company representative provided background on prior CLC. Company representative mentioned it disbanded about two years ago. Company representative says prior CLC more construction-oriented. This one more focused on pipeline operations, keeping link to community.

Company representative references Spectra Energy operations. Company representative explains rationale for having Spectra become operator of Brunswick Pipeline.

### **Agenda item 3: Review and discuss CLC terms of reference**

Company representative provides overview of terms of reference. Asks CLC members to consider them a draft. Says terms of reference are meant to remind us why we're here, to facilitate good two-way communication. We'll let people take home and review and provide feedback.

Company representative highlights objectives – serve as a forum for open dialogue. Makes note of section on accountability, refers to desire for informality. Indicates the CLC not a decision-making body. Notes that there is one CLC for Charlotte County and one for Saint John. Roles and responsibilities – tried to explain our obligations, what we hope to gain from members. Hope people will commit for a two-year period.

7.2 meetings – another area for input – terms of reference says twice per year, but members can consider and request more/ less. We are open to discussing. Summaries of these meetings will be kept and distributed. There is also an opportunity for members to submit agenda items.

The CLC will be reporting back to community or special interest groups as appropriate – important that if there are issues or concerns we hear about it. Part of our responsibility is to do what we say we're going to do – keep minutes, follow up on items or concerns related to the pipeline, that we respond to questions and concerns in a timely manner.

Community Liaison Committee member asks about the profile of the committee. If we are to represent our community, how public is the knowledge of the members and how can we best get that knowledge out to different interest groups.

Company representative on back of page 6 under process, CLC is public, summary of meetings posted on web site. If there is information we discuss that members would like to share, please let us know and we will meet with them. We want you to point us in the right direction. Perhaps company representative talks to landowners, ATV club wants presentation, or fire departments want something.

Company representative says we see it as an avenue to communicate. We have done lots of correspondence by mail. This is an opportunity for Brunswick to get out and ensure we hear any concerns there are.

Company representatives can't knock on every landowner's door and can't talk to every EPZ resident, so if we have some who are willing to be representatives, it is a wonderful objective of the committee and terrific outcome.

#### **Agenda item 4: Group discussion**

Community Liaison Committee member – Asks for web address

Company representatives – We will email out web address and contact information.

Community Liaison Committee member – Regarding media, feels only one person on committee should deal with media. They call and want information right away, should set up so only one person deals with media and asks if all are in agreement.

Company representative – Notes information in terms of reference on media contact, will expand this section to include mention of contacting BP representatives before speaking to media. Company representative to serve as contact until new company representative begins on May 5.

Community Liaison Committee member asks what to do if he sees a truck on the pipeline. Company representative says to call 888-410-2220

Company representative explains what happens when you call toll-free line, you will be asked if you are calling to provide information, report an emergency or request a line locate. If you say this is just for information purposes, details of the call will be forwarded to company representative. Company

representative says if you are reporting risk it is considered an emergency call and will be routed through to on call technician who will then address, be in touch with duty manager and visit site.

Community Liaison Committee member asks if licence number would be helpful and company representative says yes. Company representative notes that education much easier than policing. Community Liaison Committee member notes recent presentation to NB ATV Association AGM by company representative and discussion about pipeline. Company representative notes ATV don't cause damage of 4x4 trucks. Community Liaison Committee member notes that membership has nearly doubled – more people buying ATVs and signing up for membership. Company representative notes that BP technicians have trail passes for ATVs used.

Company representative asks what to do if pipeline leak smelled or loud whistle heard. Company representative advises leave location and dial 911. Says 911 is well-educated on how to respond to gas pipeline emergency.

Company representative describes emergency response procedure after 911 call made. Indicates that Brunswick Pipeline field representatives and first responders are in touch early on in an emergency situation. Company representative notes information that exists in gas control in Houston – a big enough breach will show up in control systems in corresponding pressure drops at valve site.

Community Liaison Committee member St. George, Black's and Musquash fire departments have reciprocal agreement where if one is dispatched the other is automatically dispatched as well.

Community Liaison Committee member All Charlotte County provides mutual aid for major incidents.

Company representative comments on mock emergency exercise in Oak Bay in the fall, noting fire department professionalism. Oak Bay served as main department, EMO, RCMP, NB Power all on hand.

Community Liaison Committee member asks if there is anything in place if you're coming from outside of the area and make a call, what can you tell them about a locate – if there is an issue on the gas line and you are not familiar with the area, how do you know where you're at?

Company representative – we are working on – may make some changes in that area. When you are out in the field you will see blue and white signs saying high pressure gas pipeline, Brunswick Pipeline, call before you dig. If you are near one of white pipes, they have wires that lead to the pipeline. Those pipes have a kilometre post marked on them with a sticker which you can use as an aid to where you are. Might also be able to use a red angled aerial patrol sign. Stickers on them are white. They have a particular number but it doesn't represent a position – it is a sequential number from a certain point to a certain point. Are considering putting kilometre post position on aerial marker sign. Issue with aerial patrol signs is that they aren't at any designated sequence and distance – just at key deflection points. Experiments with how they put aerial markers in the ground on M&NP 2000/01 – positioned signs every three kilometres. BP wasn't done that way. Going to make some adjustments and improve field locations. Need to be sure they meet company standard operating procedures and National Energy Board regulations. Right now meeting code, but want to make sure it works for everybody.

Community Liaison Committee member – Irving on roads in behind Lepreau have signs and if you call with number they know where you're at.

Community Liaison Committee member – Asks about cell phone coverage on pipeline.

Company representative says there is not blanket cell phone coverage along the line. Notes boosters in trucks.

Company representative asks about frequency of cathodic protection pipes and company representative notes they are approximately every km.

Company representative asks members to review terms of reference and provide any additional feedback.

Community Liaison Committee member asks about how freely information can be shared – if there is an incident, are we able to share with CLC members in the same way as NB Power does?

Company representative notes that we would be as open and transparent as possible with full disclosure with respect to what we would release. Notes situation in City of Saint John involving potential emergency call. Mentions that on call tech notified by both email and telephone, but Twitter had information more quickly than internal sources could provide. Company representative notes that it would be up to company representative if committee was brought together for emergency.

Company representative encourages committee members to call if there is something you want information on. We want to be as transparent as we possibly can.

Company representative asks about process at Lepreau.

Community Liaison Committee member indicates information provided by call or email.

Company representative notes that we should add this to our terms of reference.

Company representative notes that if there is some sort of an event we would bring group together to discuss.

Company representative asks what criteria would involve bringing committee together.

Community Liaison Committee member mentions which items are reportable. Company representative says when we are reportable to National Energy Board we could also report to Community Liaison Committee. Mentions gas release, odorant release or delivery or flaring, mentions notifications provided in those instances. Says in some cases we will also notify local residents.

Company representative notes there are processes for everything, everything is documented. We will take away and discuss an approach to share the next time we meet.

Community Liaison Committee member our area has pretty well accepted what the pipeline rules are. Company representative notes that Community Liaison Committee member is an active landowner on

M&N system since the beginning, notes that he is a good spokesperson having had that relationship since the beginning.

Company representative notes that M&N was first pipeline in region. Community Liaison Committee member notes there was a lot of trepidation about it, about crossing pipeline with equipment. Notes he thought questions were handled very well.

Company representative asks if there is anything else people want to get out of the Community Liaison Committee.

Community Liaison Committee member says that once there is a chance to review terms of reference may have more to add.

Company representative indicates terms of reference can evolve as group and meetings evolve.

Company representative notes this is first Community Liaison Committee for operations and we are learning as we go.

Community Liaison Committee member notes that company representative has been a good liaison with first responders.

#### **Agenda item 5: New business**

Company representative suggests we go around table to see if there is any additional input.

Community Liaison Committee member biggest thing from his perspective is education for firefighters. Says once a year or so a company representative comes to their department or Fundy Firefighters Association. Notes there is a core group that has been through a company representative's presentations.

Company representative mentions attendance at chiefs meetings for annual refresh.

Company representative notes that significant differences between departments across province are noteworthy – some departments very lean, and some robust.

Community Liaison Committee member thinks we have a good foundation going here – let's build on it.

Company representative wants to reiterate that you can say anything.

Community Liaison Committee member looking forward to learning new things

Community Liaison Committee member makes note of relationship with company representative, says group intends to continue to produce trails and company representative notes that it will be important to keep in mind spots you need to be cognisant of.

Community Liaison Committee member a lot of media attention has been given to deteriorating oil pipe and some of the problems with aging pipes. Wants to know what is the lifespan of our pipe?

Company representative says there are pipelines in the ground since 40s and 50s that are still strong and others put in place in the 90s that have been replaced. We need to demonstrate to National Energy Board that integrity of pipe meets a certain level. Can't provide strict analogy on age, but notes importance of maintenance.

Company representative notes that we run a tool through pipe to clean it annually and that every five years we run an ILLI – a cleaning tool that measures thickness of steel, dents, abnormalities, creates a computer model – to measure health of the asset, then a course of action determined.

Company representative notes magnetic flux test to measure thickness.

Company representative notes cathodic protection posts and indicates that there are a number of maintenance activities ongoing. Indicates that tool tells us if there are areas providing specific attention.

Company representative says that if Community Liaison Committee member is really interested in cathodic protection we could provide a presentation. Community Liaison Committee member says he would enjoy.

**Company representative we will put presentation on cathodic protection on agenda for the next meeting.**

Company representative notes there is limited understanding of how we actually operate, explains who is involved.

Community Liaison Committee member asks about locations where wear was found. Company representative says none on BP in Musquash area. Company representative notes that tool that does check will be running this winter when gas flow is sufficient.

Company representative says a good topic for discussion in future would be what causes price of natural gas to be where it is. Suggests we talk about price of LNG gas, price at Henry Hub, what will it mean when Atlantic Gate is done, Marcellus gas, shale gas in NB.

Community Liaison Committee member asks if BP will be impacted if shale gas is developed in NB. Company representative says yes, but indirectly.

Company representative notes gas customers in region and gas producers, saying that supplies are dwindling in the area and needs to come from other sources. He indicates that if we say no to shale gas in NB, gas still needs to come from elsewhere. Company representative notes periods of reverse flow because of lack of supply. Company representative indicates that if we don't have gas from NB, there will still be gas coming from elsewhere, will just be more expensive and will still be shale gas.

**Next meeting: Date to be determined – September 2014.**

Company representative asks for input on number of meetings and when members would like to meet next.

**Community Liaison Committee member notes that committee at Lepreau meets every two months. Suggests that quarterly might be realistic. Another Community Liaison Committee member agrees, suggests scheduling around September for next meeting.**

Community Liaison Committee member says it makes impact of missing a meeting less if meeting quarterly rather than bi-annually.

**Community Liaison Committee member asks if members will receive minutes if they miss a meeting. Company representative answers yes.**

Company representative calls to adjourn.