



# Sustainable Severn Sound

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## Sustainability Plan Steering Committee (SPSC) Meeting

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| Date     | Thursday, June 2, 2016   |
| Time     | 10am-12pm  |
| Location | Sustainable Severn Sound's Office (c/o North Simcoe Community Futures Development Corporation), 105 Fourth Street, Midland |

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### Attendees

Chris McLaughlin, General Manager, NSCFDC  
Councillor Barbara Coutanche, Township of Oro-Medonte  
Doug Luker, CAO/Clerk, Township of Tiny  
Ian Feigel, Intern, NSCFDC  
Jonathan Main, Councillor, Ward 1, Town of Midland  
Jonathan Pauk, Planning Intern, Township of Tay  
Marina Whelan, Program Manager, Health Protection Service, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit  
Patricia File, Councillor, Ward 1, Town of Midland  
Ron Stevens, Councillor, Ward 4, Township of Severn  
Steffen Walma, Deputy Mayor, Township of Tiny, County of Simcoe representative  
Steve Farquharson, Director of Planning and Development, Township of Tay  
Tracy Roxborough, Sustainability Coordinator, Sustainable Severn Sound

### Regrets

Andrea Betty, Director of Planning and Community Development, Town of Penetanguishene  
Councillor Mike Lauder, Ward 2, Town of Penetanguishene  
Jennifer Schnier, Communications and Economic Development Officer, Township of Georgian Bay  
Keith Sherman, Executive Director, Severn Sound Environmental Association  
Morgan Levison, Public Health Promotor, Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit  
Nick Popovich, Director of Development Services, Township of Georgian Bay

### 1.0 Welcome and Approval of Agenda

Discussion: Chair requested any additions or changes to the agenda, with SSS adding Item 3.4 for discussion (Sustainability Speaker Series, October or November), with updated agenda available on-screen. Chair then requested motion to approve the agenda. Moved by R. Stevens, seconded by S. Farquharson. Agenda approved.

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## 2.0 Approval of Minutes from the 5-May-16 SPSC Meeting



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Discussion: Coordinator advised that the DRAFT minutes were provided to the SPSC on 26-May-16, with no corrections requested. Chair requested motion to approve the 5-May-16 minutes. Moved by R. Stevens, seconded by S. Farquharson. Minutes of the 5-May-16 SPSC meeting approved 2-Jun-16.

Action Item: Coordinator to send the approved minutes to the Clerk of each partner municipality for submission to Council.

## 3.0 2016 SSS Work Plan Items

### 3.1 Sustainability Speaker Series, June 2016 Event

Discussion: Coordinator provided an update on registration numbers and event details including:

- Current registration (28 + 5 speakers),
- Catering and refreshments (propose 65)



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- Speaker change (TPH to SMDHU),



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- Introduction to be provided by Chris Murray, Professor, Sustainability Sciences Department
  - Introduction (education, awareness, sustainability sciences department description),
- Speaker recognition (honorarium),
- SPSC members to confirm attendance  
C. McLaughlin (yes), M. Whelan (no), K. Sherman (not confirmed), D. Luker (yes), S. Walma (yes), R. Stevens (yes), S. Farquharson (no), B. Coutanche (not confirmed), J. Main (yes), P. File (yes), A. Betty (not confirmed), N. Popovich (yes), J. Schnier (no), M. Lauder (yes), I. Feigel (yes), J. Pauk (yes)
- SSS requested assistance with:

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- Additional promotion,
- Event introduction (S. Walma), and
- Registration.
- Registration Link  
<https://sustainabilityspeakerseriessnatureandhealth.eventbrite.ca>

Action Item(s): (1) S. Walma to provide introductory welcome after C. Murray’s welcome. (2) S. Walma to inquire to the status of the rental fee for Lakehead (possible in-kind contribution from the County of Simcoe.

### 3.2 Website Redesign Project

Discussion: SSS provided project update/status report as enclosed below.



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### 3.3 Walk for Water - Proposed Township of Tay Initiative

Discussion: As per the memo enclosed below; SSS updated the SPSC and requested direction on SSS involvement with the Walk for Water. SSS involvement was approved by the SPSC, as an equal partner with Tay and the Wye Marsh Wildlife Centre. The SPSC discussed the proper process for SSS partners to request SSS participation in an event; being that any request for involvement of SSS should be discussed first with their respective SPSC appointed member, and brought forth to the SPSC for discussion and approval or vote. This motion was moved by M. Whelan, seconded by R. Stevens and approved unanimously by the SPSC.



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Action Item: SSS shall draft a letter from the Chair, D. Luker, for submission to Tay Council in response to the request to have SSS cover liability, and note the Walk for Water activities to which SSS can contribute to as approved by the SPSC.



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### 3.4 Sustainability Speaker Series, October/November

Discussion: SSS requested SPSC feedback on the suggested topics below, with the SPSC approving Topic 3, with a focus on practices by the project partners. This event will also feature

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the release of the SSS Sustainability Report Card, and a formal launch and demo of the SSS website.

## Topic 1: Healthy Rural Communities

Healthy Rural Communities Toolkit

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/ServicesAndTools/Documents/LDCP/HealthyRuralCommunitiesToolKit%20compressed.pdf>

- Overview of the guide by Wayne Caldwell, PhD, RPP, MCIP, Interim Dean, Ontario Agricultural College, University of Guelph
- 3 Municipal case studies as selected by the SPSC

## Topic 2: Collaborative Climate Change Planning in Small Municipalities

- Ontario Centre for Climate Impacts and Adaptation Resources (OCCIAR)
- <http://www.climateontario.ca/>
- County of Peterborough, Sustainable Peterborough
- <http://sustainablepeterborough.ca/projects/climate-change-action-plan/>
- Climate Change Adaptation Planning: A Handbook for Small Canadian Communities,
- <https://www.cip-icu.ca/Files/Resources/RURAL-HANDBOOK-FINAL-COPY>

## Topic 3: Launch of the SSS Website

- Speakers: Feature 1 practice per partner
- Release the Sustainability Report Card
- Launch and demo the new SSS website

Action Item: (1) SSS to prepare a Project Proposal for the SPSC review at the 7-Jul-16 meeting.

## 4.0 Budget

- Financial Statement as of 31-May-16 (to be provided at the meeting)



Balance Sheet.pdf

## 5.0 July 2016 – October 2016 Meeting Schedule

| Date                   | Time      | Location                               | Purpose  |
|------------------------|-----------|--|--|
| Thursday, July 7, 2016 | 10am-12pm | SSS Office, 105 Fourth Street, Midland | - June 15 Event Evaluation and Discussion for Next Event |

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|                             |           |  | - Project Proposal (Oct/Nov event, Report Card Release, Website Demo) |
| Thursday, August 4, 2016    | 10am-12pm | SSS Office, 105 Fourth Street, Midland | Regular Meeting   |
| Thursday, September 1, 2016 | 10am-12pm | SSS Office, 105 Fourth Street, Midland | Regular Meeting   |
| Thursday, October 6, 2016   | 10am-12pm | SSS Office, 105 Fourth Street, Midland | Regular Meeting   |

## 6.0 Information Sharing

June Sustainability Building Block (theme or focus area for the month)

*Greener, Food-secure Communities*

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Midland: Downtown Rejuvenation Committee development, Bike Lanes (AT Initiatives) have begun as supported by provincial funding:

<https://news.ontario.ca/mto/en/2016/03/ontario-helping-orillia-midland-and-collingwood-expand-cycling-and-improve-safety.html>

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SMDHU: Health Risk Vulnerability Assessment work still on-going

<http://www.simcoemuskokahealth.org/Topics/Environment/climatechange.aspx>

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County: (1) OP Review, (2) Development Charges, Midhurst Plan

<http://www.simcoe.ca/search?k=official+plan>

<http://www.simcoe.ca/dpt/pln>

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Severn (Severn assists in financing of the geriatric wing – Soldiers Memorial)

<http://www.osmh.on.ca/welcometoosmh.aspx>

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Oro-Medonte: Burl's Creek

<http://www.oro-medonte.ca/Pages/Burls-Creek-Information.aspx>

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Tiny: (1) Health Day-June 4, Seniors Council, Seniors Strategy in development (\$8,000 in funding for the strategy, \$21,000 for initiatives), Green Energy Forum, Heritage Tree Arboretum initiative, (2) Mobi-Mat-Balm Beach, June 1

(1) <http://www.tinyhealthandfitnessday.com/>

(2) <http://www.tiny.ca/Shared%20Documents/Clerks/Press%20Release%20-%20Mobi%20Mat%20Ribbon%20Cutting%20Ceremony.pdf#search=mobi%20mat>

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SSS: Participation on the Food Partner's Alliance Charter Champion Awards Committee Member  
<http://fpa.simcoe.ca/champion-awards/2016>

**7.0**     **Adjournment**                     11:48pm  
         **Time:**  
         **Next Meeting**                     When:             Thursday, July 7, 2016  
             Time:             10am-12pm  
             Where:            SSS Office