

Community Liaison Committee Meeting Record

Meeting Date: November 17, 2020

BWXT: Natalie Cutler, Director, Communications & Government Relations
Jon Lundy, VP Strategy and Business Services
Dave Snopek, Director, EHS & Regulatory Affairs
Kathleen Augustin, Communications & Community Relations Specialist

CLC Members: J. Backler, R. Church, P. Feinstein, N. Martin-Burtart, C. McCoy, J. Wickenden.

Absent: D. McNee.

Guests: None.

ACTION ITEMS

Action Item	Responsible	Status / Notes
1. Share infographics with CLC.	N. Cutler and K. Augustin	Ongoing
2. Review providing information to the local sporting organizations / clubs and retirement / senior homes.	N. Cutler and K. Augustin	Open
3. Review door-do-door approach and plan with CLC.	N. Cutler and K. Augustin	On Hold - COVID-19
4. CLC to review BWXT NEC's current website and provide feedback.	CLC Members	Open
5. Share revised Terms of Reference with CLC for 2021	K. Augustin	Open
6. Send ROR agenda and video conference details to CLC	K. Augustin	Closed
7. Discuss safety scenarios (specifically hydrogen tank and rail line) at next CLC meeting	D. Snopek	Open
8. Provide feedback on newsletters and website FAQ.	CLC Members	Open
9. Include more guest speakers in CLC meetings.	N. Cutler and K. Augustin	Ongoing

DISCUSSION NOTES

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the meeting was held virtually. Natalie Cutler began by noting that this is a non-routine meeting to review feedback from the CLC members and BWXT representatives before the end of the year. The meeting began with an overview of the agenda and a safety moment.

Natalie asked if any CLC members had updates. One CLC member mentioned that he had noticed a few BWXT flyers in the mail recently and had looked at the Facebook page – highlighting that the company has done a good job of sharing this information. Natalie thanked the CLC member for their feedback. She then informed the CLC that an Indigenous Programs

Coordinator from the University of Toronto had expressed interest in participating in a CLC meeting in the future as a guest speaker. The CLC Co-chair then noted that through discussions with the BWXT Co-chair, a new layout for CLC meetings had been tabled. The proposed layout would include a structured meeting with an update from BWXT, an update from the CLC, a discussion on concerns and issues in the community and then a guest speaker if there is one available. Natalie thanked the CLC Co-chair for stepping into this new role and reminded the CLC that they can contact the CLC Co-chair, BWXT Co-chair or both if they have any concerns that they would like to discuss at the next meeting. Natalie also shared the email addresses for both parties. Natalie noted that a revised Terms of Reference would be shared with the CLC in the new year to incorporate the layout changes.

Kathleen Augustin then highlighted the recruitment efforts made thus far for the 2021 CLC. She began by noting that feedback from the previous year's recruitment period had been considered and the following items were incorporated. First, the electronic application form had been modified so users could complete the form online rather than printing the form to complete. Additionally, the CLC form had been modified to include a "guest attendee" section so community members and representatives from organizations could apply to attend as a guest at a CLC meeting (pending approval from the CLC and whether there is space available). Kathleen then explained the multi-pronged approach BWXT uses during the recruitment period. She noted that details on the CLC have been shared via the following ways: social media platforms, email updates to BWXT's contact list, letters to specific organizations and groups, mailers to BWXT's neighbours, banners on BWXT's fence line, details on the nec.bwxt.com website, and the fall newsletter which will be sent shortly. Kathleen asked if the CLC had any recommendations for recruitment. None were noted. Kathleen also mentioned that an application had been received by Toronto Police Service and that other applicants will be shared with the CLC for consideration once the deadline of December 11, has commenced.

Next, Natalie shared the feedback received from the evaluation forms. The evaluation forms were a new addition to the CLC this year to ensure that feedback is collected to help improve the committee and BWXT's programs. Natalie noted that almost all members submitted forms and thanked all for the detailed feedback. She also highlighted that all feedback will be worked into the objectives and plan for the 2021 year. First Natalie shared that all CLC members and BWXT representatives had answered yes to the following questions:

- Are the objectives and purpose of the CLC clear and understood?
- Do you feel that there is regular communication between BWXT and the CLC?
- Do you feel that actions from CLC meetings are followed through?
- Do meeting minutes are accurately recorded and reflect the discussion during the meeting?
- Do you feel that when you speak during meetings that your comments and questions are valued and considered?

The evaluation also asked a series of open-ended questions. CLC member and BWXT representative responses are included below:

What do you find most helpful about CLC meetings?

- Understand community needs and concerns to address through NEC's programs
- Understand industry, company and how concerns during hearing are being addressed
- Hearing the scientific aspects of the safety of the site and consideration of the neighbourhood.
- Presentations on BWXT operations, updates on topics (licence renewal), info on events (FB Live), discussions.
- Getting feedback from CLC (ideas, suggestions, community perspectives).
- Level of information sharing and updates from both CLC and BWXT.
- Company provides a lot of information and has been responsive in requests for more.

What would you like to see improve during CLC meetings?

- More participation from CLC members – co-chair role will help with contribution to agenda/topics.
- More feedback from neighbours that aren't CLC or BWXT.
- More opportunities for CLC to provide better input and support to BWXT to meet its objectives.
- Share more upbeat information about the industry, continue with guest speakers.
- Reminder that there are different viewpoints.

What topics would you like to discuss at future CLC meetings?

- Continued discussions on environmental monitoring and communication to public.
- Advertising in Toronto (how, where, when, what CLC finds to be the most effective in the city).
- How BWXT can get better connected to local condo boards/organizations nearby – reach different audiences.
- Importance of nuclear (what would Canada/Ontario look like without nuclear power).
- More on BWXT's operations.
- Small Modular Reactor (SMR).
- Licence renewal, realistic contingency planning.

Do you have any additional feedback?

- Pleased and grateful to have the participation we do on the CLC and I can't thank members enough for their time they devote to help advise our company on our public information program.
- Really like the variety of guest speakers and variety of CLC members.
- CLC is a positive element. The company does at times face criticism in the meetings and I give BWXT credit for doing so.

After the feedback had been reviewed, Natalie asked if there was any additional feedback and asked if there were comments or questions. Once CLC member asked what an SMR was. Jon Lundy explained that a Small Modular Reactor is a small sized reactor that can be manufactured in a factory. He noted that they can be a range of sizes to provide a range of power and that they represent the new generation of scalable nuclear reactors. He also noted that Saskatchewan and Alberta are looking to replace their coal generated power with SMRs.

Natalie then noted that there were a few remaining items to cover. She began by reminding the CLC that the Commission requested Canadian Nuclear Safety Commission (CNSC) Staff to conduct soil sampling for beryllium in Peterborough and that they had completed the sampling and it is with the Commission to deliberate on BWXT's licence and make their decision. She noted that BWXT's licence expires at the end of 2020. A CLC member asked what would happen if the CNSC doesn't make a decision before the end of the year and whether more community opposition would make a difference in their decision. Jon noted that the Commission has the discretion to make whatever decision they choose and that in general there is a fair amount of opposition to nuclear. He also noted that the CNSC relies on science and that BWXT has exceptional safety records and negligible emissions. Natalie mentioned that the company could expect a wave of protests and media surrounding the licence decision and that BWXT has been respectful of current protests in Peterborough. Natalie also noted that when a decision is made, the information will be shared on BWXT's platforms. Next, Natalie informed the CLC that the public survey closes on November 20th and explained thus far there has been good participation. She continued to note that this data will be useful for BWXT to compare against the 2018 data collected to determine trends and see where strengths are and where improvements can be made. She noted that those who completed the survey were eligible to win a \$500 Visa gift card – similar to the 2018 survey to encourage community members to participate. Natalie also shared a lesson learned with the CLC noting that BWXT had used targeted Facebook advertising and through this advertisement, some folks who were not eligible (outside of survey area) to complete the survey were accidentally contacted. This lesson had been noted for future surveying and community outreach. Next, Natalie reminded the CLC that the CNSC will be holding its annual Regulatory Oversight Report public meeting and that BWXT will be participating on December 8, 2020. She noted that once the agenda and webinar link are available they will be shared with the CLC.

Before checking for final questions, Natalie thanked the CLC members for their input, ideas and contributions to the committee and for taking their valuable time to commit to BWXT's CLC. She wished the CLC a safe and healthy holiday season and reminded members that although meetings have wrapped-up for the year, communication will continue.

Natalie then asked if anyone had any final questions. She encouraged the CLC to follow BWXT's Facebook and Twitter platforms and to provide feedback. She also noted that although the Facebook Live event was not well attended during the live streaming, that many have watched it since and that it was a good experience for BWXT representatives as virtual events

will likely be the new normal for the next while. A CLC member mentioned that she had heard a rumor about BWXT in the community, and wanted some clarification on it. She explained that there is rumor of a holding pond on the other side of Lansdowne Avenue which contains nuclear substances. Dave Snopek advised that the rumor is false and that BWXT's activities are within the fence line of the property. He explained that the surrounding site was previously owned by General Electric. Before ending the meeting, Natalie reminded the CLC of the anti-nuclear, anti-BWXT Facebook group in Toronto and asked if the CLC hears any other rumors to share them so BWXT can provide any needed clarifications.

The meeting terminated. Next meeting date to be scheduled in 2021.