

Alton CLC Meetings Summary - 2016

Meetings held: January 18, April 13, May 16, June 20, October 5, and November 14

January 18

Discussion on membership and recruitment for CLC.

Discussion held about having shut down periods during Striped bass spawning season in the spring.

Discussion held on ways to share information about Alton with the public.

April 13

Alton representatives provided an update on the project.

Discussion held on ways to distribute information related to the project.

May 16

CLC members and additional non-member individuals interested in the project were in attendance.

Information provided on Alton's environmental monitoring activities done to date and project safeguards being implemented for protecting the environment.

Feedback provided by CLC members and guests on ways to provide information about the Alton Project and the low degree of environmental impact.

Alton representative provided an update on Project activities.

June 20

An Alton representative provided an overview of the project and timelines. CLC appreciated receiving the information.

An Alton representative shared information on:

- [two-year river monitoring study by IKANAWTIKET](#)
- recent Alton Updates issued by the company, [Letter to Editor](#) and [Response to highway slowdown](#)

- questions and answers about Alton posted online at www.cleanenergyfuture.ca, with CLC member providing suggestions to improve answers
- new community newsletter to be distributed for the re-start of construction to explain what will be happening to local residents; newsletter to be distributed directly to local residents via Canada Post

CLC members commented on protest at the Alton site.

October 5

Feedback provided on the summer construction program, ongoing activity and minimal environmental impacts in area.

There was also discussion of ongoing river monitoring program.

November 14

Alton representative explained why specialized workers from outside the province were brought in to move the drilling rig from the Alton cavern site. Some measure of disapproval was conveyed by the CLC members as it was felt local workers should be used on the project as much as possible. Concern of the CLC was noted for the minutes.

Alton representative gave a short, informative video, followed by a video on river research. Both videos are on the Alton website (see *Focus on Alton* and *Research on the Shubenacadie* at <http://altonnaturalgasstorage.ca/information-centre/resources>)

There was information shared which explained technical matters in common language. It was felt more of this approach is needed.