

# Environmental Sustainability Committee

## Minutes

**Wednesday, January 08, 2020**

**Ante Room at 5pm**

### **Attendance:**

Councillor Bruce Williamson, Chair  
Councillor Joe Kushner  
Dick Thomas, Chair Green Advisory Committee  
Jonathan Belgrave, Chair Clean City Advisory Committee

### **Regrets:**

Darrell Smith, Director of Municipal Works, Vice Chair  
Councillor Matt Harris  
Heather Salter, Director Legal and Clerks Services

### **Staff Liaisons:**

Julie Hughes, Staff Liaison, Pillar Committee

### **Regrets:**

Dan Cooper, Staff Liaison, Green Advisory Committee  
Frank Bufalino, Staff Liaison, Clean City Advisory Committee

### **Guest staff:**

John Bellehumeur, Manager of Parks, Cemeteries, Forestry and Horticulture

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1. **Called the meeting to order @ 5:00pm:** Councillor Williamson, Chair
2. **Recognition of Traditional Territories**
3. **Additions/Deletions to the agenda**  
n/a
4. **Motion to approve the agenda:**

*That the ESC agenda be approved*

**Moved by:** Dick Thomas  
**Carried**

**5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting:**

*That the ESC minutes from Nov 6 be approved*

**Moved by:** Councillor Kushner

**Carried**

**6. Presentation**

n/a

**7. Business arising from the minutes**

**None**

**8. Business**

**8.1 Green Advisory Committee~ Chair Dick Thomas**

**i) 2020 Work Plan**

- See appendix 8.1.i, *GAC 2020 Work Plan*

**Motion to approve the GAC 2020 Work Plan**

*That the GAC 2020 Work Plan be approved in principle, with details on implementation of each initiative to be provided to the ESC*

**Moved by:** Councillor Kushner

**Carried**

**ii) Private Property Tree By Law**

- See appendix 8.1.ii, *GAC Report to Council on the Private Property Tree By Law, December 2019*

**Motion to receive the GAC Report on the Private Property Tree By Law, December 2019**

*That the GAC Report to Council on the Private Property Tree By Law be received by the ESC and referred to City Council*

**Motion:** Councillor Kushner

**Carried**

**8.2 Clean City Advisory Committee ~ Chair Jonathan Belgrave**

**i) CCAC 2020 Work Plan**

- See appendix 8.2.i, *CCAC 2020 Work Plan Draft*
- The final work plan will be finalized at the CCAC, January 21

## **Motion to receive the CCAC 2020 Work Plan Draft**

*That the CCAC 2020 Work Plan Draft received with the expectation that the final CCAC 2020 work plan be finalized at their next meeting*

**Moved by:** Dick Thomas

**Carried**

## **9. Other business**

- Councillor Williamson reports that a community group has formed, the Coalition for a Better St Catharines, and there is a meeting scheduled for Sunday January 11th to discuss the state of the GM property
- Chair Dick Thomas confirms that given Council's declaration that the City has a Climate Emergency status that the projects taken on by the GAC are focused on addressing climate change versus beautification
- Councillor Joe Kushner requests that the CCAC incorporate contact information for waste by law complaints on any public awareness materials

## **10. Dates of next meetings**

- Wed Apr 8  
5pm to 6pm  
Ante Room
- Wed July 8  
5pm to 6pm  
Ante Room
- Wed Oct 7  
5pm to 6pm  
Ante Room

## **11. Motion to Adjourn**

*That the Environmental Sustainability Committee adjourn at 6pm*

**Moved by:**

**Carried**

## **Appendices:8.1i GAC 2020 Work Plan**

8.1ii GAC Report to Council on the Private Property Tree By Law

8.2iii CCAC 2020 Work Plan Draft