

Minutes

Wednesday, March 17, 2021

Electronic meeting at 5:00pm

Attendance:

Dick Thomas, Peter Howes, Steve Holmes, Mike Anderson, Brenda Boonjaizer, Brandy Fulton

Absent:

Daya Lye, Mark Jemison

Guest: Oliva Groff

Staff Liaison: Dan Cooper-Supervisor of Forestry, Ilyse Norton-Development Horticulture Technician, Christine Adams-Manager of Engineering and Construction

1. Call meeting to order : Chair Thomas

2. Recognition of Traditional Territories : Chair Thomas

3. Additions / Deletions to the Agenda
Dick requested to add report on Cul de Sac

4. Motion to approve the agenda
Moved by: Brenda Boonjaizer

Carried

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting
Moved by: Brenda Boonjaizer

Carried

6. Declarations of Interest
None were declared

7. Presentations
Ilyse Norton: 2021 Community Gardens Applications for Approval
Olivia Groff: Corporate Climate Change Adaptation Plan

8. Business arising from the minutes

There were none

9.1. Community Gardens Application for Approval Motions

Moved: Brenda Boonjaizer

That GAC extend deadline for Community Gardens Capitol Cost Funding Program until September 2021; and

That GAC approve Cornerstone Co-op Application and allocate funds for the requested \$650.00; and

That GAC approve the Grantham Mennonite Brethren church application and allocated funds for the requested \$213.50

Carried

Moved: Mike Anderson

That GAC approve the Westview Christian Fellowship/Queenston Neighbors Application and allocate funds for requested \$3250.00; and

That GAC approve the Community Care Partners in Planting applications and allocate funds for the requested \$2006.19

Carried

Ilyse Norton: will notify successful applicants; funds to be allocated thru GAC Minutes; continue to update GAC of any applications received for the Community Gardens Capitol Funding Program

9.2. Garden at Home Program

Ilyse Norton will begin promotion and finalize event date

9.3. Fitz Neighbors

Fitz Neighbors will finalize plans for 2021 season and will report back in coming months

9.4. Flower Pot Program

- Ilyse has purchased 50 pots to be sold
- letters have been sent to passed participants
- city is not prepared to water purchased pots

9.5. Cul De Sac

Through collaborated efforts, GAC prepared paper as requested and provided the document to Dan Cooper

9.6. Links for Greener Learning

currently set to run virtually and on-line. Funding from 2020 has been moved to 2021

9.7. Streetscaping of Welland/James/Lake Street

Christine Adams posed question to GAC members as to status of Streetscaping project for Welland/James/Lake Street Fountain. Members advised that the only concrete decision was for the “Y” arch. The arch is stored and still earmarked to the GAC for use when decision is made.

9.8. Environmental Assessment Update

construction will not impact the parkette at Lake and Queen Streets. Construction map for 2022 projects is updated and on the city website. Plans for new trails to be constructed in Pearson Park by the Arboretum, and at John Page Park (formerly Fairview Golf Course) from Scott Street to Fairview Mall, subject to Federal funding.

9.9. Olivia Groff

presented the GAC with an update from the Climate Change Adaptation Plan

10. Date of next meeting

Wednesday, April 14, 2021

11. Motion to Adjourn

Moved by: Brandy Fulton

Carried