

## Minutes

**Wednesday, April 14, 2021**

**Zoom meeting at 5:00 pm**

### **Attendance:**

Dick Thomas, Peter Howes, Steve Holmes, Mike Anderson, Daya Lye, Brandy Fulton

**Absent:** Brenda Boonzaijer, Mark Jemison

**Staff Liaison:** Dan Cooper Forestry Supervisor; Karen Primmer Operations Coordinator

**Guests:** Counsellor Williamson; Ilyse Norton Development Horticulture Specialist; Christine Adams Manager of Engineering and Construction; Eric Lamothe Manager of Business Planning and Strategies

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### **1. Call meeting to order:**

Chair Dick Thomas called the meeting to order at 5:05pm

### **2. Recognition of Traditional Territories:**

Dick Thomas acknowledged that the land on which the Arts & Culture Advisory Committee meets today is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish with One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Metis, and Inuit Peoples. Acknowledging this is a reminder that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

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### **4. Additions / Deletions to the Agenda**

Strike off Olivia Groff from item 7(left on in error) per Dan Cooper

Strike off Business arising from minutes as will be addressed in 9.2 per Dan Cooper

### **5. Motion to approve the agenda as amended for the meeting of April 14, 2021**

Moved by: Steve Holmes

**Carried**

**6. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting**

Moved by: Brandy Fulton

**Carried**

**7. Presentations**

There were none

**Business**

**8.1. Flower Pots** – Steve Holmes asked staff if flower pots could be used to close the roads and beautify the downtown.

**9.1- Julie Hughes - Information regarding the Green Advisory Committee implementing projects on private property (BME Church Garden)**

This item was not discussed, and the Green Advisory Committee proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

**9.2 Written Presentation from Ilyse Norton re. Flower Pot Program**

- a. Ordered 75 pots, 56 have been sold, not including 10 to Port Dalhousie
- b. Cautioned to maintain contact if in partnership with private property owners as a garden that was planted including irrigation system installed back in 2010, has since been removed.
- c. Garden at home program flyers to be distributed April 23
- d. Rain Barrell sale and Tree giveaway has been postponed until Saturday May 29<sup>th</sup>. Looking to use the Pen Centre parking lot as Seymour Hannah is full due to vaccination clinic. Trees to include Red Bud, Cherry birch, Tulip Trees, and white pine
- e. Catherine Street Park community garden is working with legal to finalize land use agreement

**9.3 Garden at Home Program – Dropping flyers on April 23 to inform residents of Old Pine Trail about the upcoming program**

Update on ESC meeting – error in budget reported has been corrected however discussion on potential excess to be differed until such time as confirmation of funds is made

A new member for ESC was recommended and during this process it was brought to the team's attention that members are required to miss no more than 3 consecutive meetings or 50% of the meetings in a year. Should anyone fall in that category, the Office of the City Clerk will reach out to the member

**9.4 – Discussion on Links for Greener Learning Earth Day Events (Ilyse Norton)**

This item was not discussed, and the Green Advisory Committee proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

#### **9.5 – Report from the Environmental Sustainability Committee Meeting**

This item was not discussed, and the Green Advisory Committee proceeded to the next item on the agenda.

#### **9.6 Discussion on Lake Street /Welland Avenue /James Street**

Christine Adams advised that consultation to proceed shortly for the EA. No decision required yet so there is time decide participation in possible projects.

#### **9.7 Montebello Play Structure Replacement**

2 existing play structures have reached end of life; proposal is to remove and build single larger play structure closer to Queen Street. Will meet City accessibility requirement with rubberized base and concrete perimeter. No anticipated tree removal.

Concerns of rubberized surface being made of old tires and potential for off gassing of tire smell. Suggest that surface be limited to accessible play structures. Research obtained to be forwarded to Christine Adams. Christine also to look into carbon capture concrete.

#### **9.8 Shoreline protection at Westgate Park 8-14**

Update provided by Christine Adams

#### **10. Date of next meeting**

Wednesday, May 19, 2021 5:00PM

#### **11. Motion to Adjourn**

Moved by: Daya Lye

**Carried**