

Environmental Sustainability Committee

Minutes

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Electronic participation at 4pm

Attendance:

Councillor Bruce Williamson, Chair
Councillor Joe Kushner
Darrell Smith, Director of Municipal Works, Vice Chair
Dick Thomas, Chair Green Advisory Committee
Jonathan Belgrave, Chair Clean City Advisory Committee
Heather Salter, Director Legal and Clerks Services

Regrets:

Councillor Matt Harris

Staff Liaisons:

Julie Hughes, Staff Liaison, Pillar Committee
Rocco Ditto, Staff Liaison, Clean City Advisory Committee

Regrets:

Tony DiLeo, Staff Liaison, Green Advisory Committee

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- 1. Called the meeting to order @ 4:03pm:** Councillor Williamson, Chair
 - 2. Recognition of Traditional Territories**

We acknowledge that the land on which the Environmental Sustainability 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

3. Additions/Deletions to the agenda

- n/a

4. Motion to approve the agenda

That the ESC agenda be approved

Moved by: J. Kushner

Carried

5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting, August 18, 2021

That the August 18 ESC minutes be approved

Moved by: J. Belgrave

Carried

6. Any declarations of interest?

- none

7. Presentation

- n/a

8. Business arising from the minutes

- None

9. Business:

9.1 Green Advisory Committee update~ Chair Dick Thomas

- Staff presented the City's Horticulture Management Plan, however without quorum the committee could not accept or take action
- The finalization of the 2021 Workplan, the Municipal Natural Asset Plan and the Horticulture Management Plan will be on the future agenda to deal with

Motion to approve the Green Advisory Committee update

That the Green Advisory Committee update be received

Moved by: D. Smith

Carried

9.2 i) Clean City Advisory Committee update ~ Chair Jonathan Belgrave

- Fall pitch in week was held Sept 18-26
- The City promoted it on the website, recording 12,000 hits, 30 registrations
- This is the first year that data was captured to be used for future years
- Some groups asked for City pick ups, others put waste out at their homes
- Spring pitch in is scheduled for April 16-24, 2022
- Earth Day is Apr 22 and a downtown pick up is scheduled for April 16
- Both Lake and Ont Street on/off ramps are scheduled for litter pick up
- Director Smith reports that the initial result of the new waste/organics contract and pick up schedule has resulted in many instances of illegal dumping. The City has removed redundant garbage cans to discourage dumping
- Chair Belgrave is reception to incorporating an educational campaign for residents on how to sort your waste properly into organics and recycling

Motion to approve the Clean City Advisory Committee update

That the Clean City Advisory Committee update be received

Moved by: D Smith

Carried

10. Other business?

- Director Smith says that the City's Horticultural Management Plan is seeking feedback from several stakeholders, including the Green Advisory Committee, with the goal of presenting it to Council in May 2022 with an implementation date of 2023.

11. Date of next meeting:

- Jan 2022 to be scheduled

12. Motion to Adjourn

That the Environmental Sustainability Committee adjourn at 4:23pm

Moved by: J. Kushner

Carried