

# Environmental Sustainability Committee

## Minutes

**Wednesday, June 15, 2022**

**Electronic participation at 4pm**

### **Attendance:**

Councillor Bruce Williamson, Chair  
Councillor Joe Kushner  
Darrell Smith, Director of Municipal Works, Vice Chair  
Brandy Fulton, Chair Green Advisory Committee  
Jonathan Belgrave, Chair Clean City Advisory Committee  
Sandor Csanyi, Acting Director Legal and Clerks Services

### **Regrets:**

Councillor Matt Harris

### **Staff Liaisons:**

Julie Hughes, Staff Liaison, Pillar Committee

### **Regrets:**

Rocco Ditto, Staff Liaison, Clean City Advisory Committee  
Tony DiLeo, Staff Liaison, Green Advisory Committee

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- 1. Called the meeting to order @ 4:02pm:** Councillor Williamson, Chair
    - Welcome to Brandy Fulton, the new Chair of the Green Advisory Committee
    - Welcome to Sandor Csanyi, Acting Director of Legal and Clerks Services

- 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:** Brandy Fulton  
**CARRIED**

**5. Motion to adopt the minutes of the previous meeting, Feb 23, 2022**

*That the February 23<sup>rd</sup> ESC minutes be approved*

**Moved by:** Darrell Smith  
**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 Brandy Fulton

- GAC sent a letter to Dan Cooper, Manager of Parks, to request that a notice be sent out to residents warning them of the dangers of the spongy moth to certain species of trees to include protective measures
- GAC is reviewing their mandate within the Climate Change Adaption Plan
- Chair Belgrave invites Chair Fulton to participate in the research that the Clean City Advisory Committee is undertaking (through a Niagara College student) to inquire on community awareness, work in comparable communities and ideas on initiatives to pursue
- Director Smith advises that the terms of reference of all advisory committees will be reviewed at the end of each term of council after feedback is sought from staff and volunteer committee members

**Motion to accept the Green Advisory Committee update**

*That the Green Advisory Committee update be received*

**Moved by Jonathan Belgrave**

**CARRIED:**

**9.2 Clean City Advisory Committee update ~ Chair Jonathan Belgrave**

- 2022 Spring Pitch Week (Apr 16 to 23)
  - More media exposure publicized this year's event
  - Over 30 groups registered for clean up
  - Total of 220 volunteers participated
  - Denis Morris had 150 students participate
  - Over 120 garbage bags were collected (registered prior to event)
  - Any sharps were reported to the City for pick up
  - Challenges were the distribution of supplies and the reporting system for participants
  - Recommendations for next year are to implement an automated registration system and ordering platform, distribute E newsletter, provide incentives to volunteers
  - Director Smith confirms that City staff will request that the regional waste contractor assist with the pick up garbage next year
- Summer movie night planned for City Park in August
- Shoreline clean up scheduled for September 17

**Motion to accept the Clean City Advisory Committee update**

*That the Clean City Advisory Committee update be received*

**Moved by: Councillor Kushner**

**CARRIED**

**10. Other business?**

- none

**11. Date of next meeting:**

- Wed Sept 14, 4pm to 5m

**12. Motion to Adjourn**

*That the Environmental Sustainability Committee adjourn at 4:28pm*

**Moved by: Jonathan Belgrave**

**CARRIED**