

Town of Aurora Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date:	Monday, December 4, 2017
Time and Location:	7 p.m., Leksand Room, Aurora Town Hall
Committee Members:	Councillor Paul Pirri (Chair), Councillor Tom Mrakas (Vice Chair), Irene Clement, Larry Fedec, Melville James, Jennifer Sault, Sara Varty, and Nancee Webb
Member(s) Absent:	Kristina Zeromskiene
Other Attendees:	Councillor Wendy Gaertner, Christina Nagy-Oh, Program Manager, Environmental Initiatives, and Ishita Soneji, Council/Committee Secretary

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

1. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Nancee Webb Seconded by Irene Clement

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

2. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act.*

3. Receipt of the Minutes

Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2017

Moved by Larry Fedec Seconded by Jennifer Sault

That the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting minutes of October 5, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

4. Delegations

None

5. Matters for Consideration

Memorandum from Program Manager, Environmental Initiatives Re: Corporate Environmental Action Plan (CEAP) – November 2017 Update

Staff provided background and a brief overview of the memorandum, and noted the additions recommended by the Committee at the previous meeting.

The Committee discussed various aspects of the Plan and made further suggestions to the progress indicators, and to include additional details on the correlation between the CEAP and other environmentally-related plans.

Moved by Sara Varty Seconded by Jennifer Sault

- That the memorandum regarding Corporate Environmental Action Plan (CEAP) – November 2017 Update be received; and
- 2. That staff include a semi-annual informal update in addition to the annual progress report as part of the implementation process; and
- 3. That the Environmental Advisory Committee recommend to Council:

(a) That the Corporate Environmental Action Plan dated November 2017 be approved **as amended.**

Carried as amended

6. Informational Items

 Extract from Council Meeting of November 14, 2017
Re: Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of October 5, 2017

Moved by Melville James Seconded by Larry Fedec

 That the Extract from Council Meeting of November 14, 2017, regarding the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting minutes of October 5, 2017, be received for information.

Carried

7. New Business

The Committee inquired about the Town's provisions regarding anti-idling and suggested that the Mayor issue letters to local organizations and transportation agencies regarding the negative impacts of idling. The Chair agreed to bring forward the suggestion at a future General Committee meeting.

The Committee inquired about the "Bring Your Own Bottle" initiative and pilot project, and staff agreed to provide an update at a future meeting.

The Committee discussed the possibility of holding another Eco Festival.

The Committee inquired about the ongoing vegetation management and protection initiatives for new subdivision development areas and natural heritage areas within the 2C development lands, and staff agreed to provide an update at a future meeting.

Councillor Mrakas noted an initiative by Tesla to allow smaller Supercharger stations, and staff agreed to investigate the possibility of installing such stations within the Town.

The Committee requested more details on the progress of the Wildlife Park/ Nature Reserve.

The Committee discussed the possibility of installing bike repair stations and noted that further details regarding this initiative can be found at **www.bikefixation.com**.

8. Adjournment

Moved by Irene Clement Seconded by Melville James

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:37 p.m.

Carried

Committee recommendations are not binding on the Town unless adopted by Council.