

Minutes of a Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee held in the St. Albert Business Centre, on the above date at 6:02 pm.

Present

T. Doran
B. Thronson
B. Marsh
V. Neary

Absent

S. Pearson
Councillor B. Russell
K. Crutchfield
R. Lane

Staff

L. Kongsrude, Director, Environment
M. Myers, Environmental Coordinator – Community

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chair declared the agenda adopted as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Chair declared the minutes of January 26, 2017 adopted as presented.

WATER CONSERVATION BYLAW AWARENESS CAMPAIGN STRATEGY

Review and discussion

Attendees reviewed the campaign strategy and provided the following suggestions:

- More utility bill inserts or more garbage trucks versus bus adverts
- Affects versus effect on the banner
- Impacts rather than change... what's new? In your yard...what's new....In your home.
- Promotional items - Frisbee and an option for kids
- Magnet for reminder of the times for watering or a hose hanger

TREE CANOPY TARGET – COMMITTEE ADVICE TO COUNCIL

Discussion and approve advice

- Attendees reviewed the advice the subcommittee drafted.

- Current canopy is 13 per cent. GIS is going to work on a canopy per cent that includes the potential annexed land in Sturgeon County. This will reduce the canopy coverage minimally.
- The EAC advice will go to Council at the March 20 meeting.
- Council will be provided with a choice – 20% or 25% target so there likely be a lot of discussion.

Moved by B. Thronson

That EAC ratify Tree Canopy Target advice and pass along to City Council.
CARRIED

CITY-OWNED CONTAMINATED SITES POLICY – COMMITTEE ADVICE TO COUNCIL

Discussion and approve advice

Subcommittee met with Administration on the City-Owned Contaminated Sites Policy and drafted advice to Council.
Attendees reviewed the changes to the original policy.

Moved by B. Marsh

That the EAC approve advice on the City-Owned Contaminated Sites Policy as presented.
CARRIED


ROUND TABLE

- M. Myers attended the Neighborhood Connections Extravaganza last night to promote the Environmental Initiatives Grant Program, Yellow Fish Road Program and Spruce Up St. Albert initiatives. 52 participants were in attendance (including the table hosts).
- Environment has 3 vacant positions
- Solar project – received \$500,000 to complete solar panels. Potential facilities for the project included Transit, FPPRC and Servus Place. Transit has an odd roof shape so may not have enough room for the solar panels. FPPRC roof will be replaced in less than 10 years. Servus Place roof needs to be assessed however it is a prefabricated building which means not designed to take additional load.
- Compost article in the Gazette – landfill operator had a concern with non-compostable plastic bags coming from St. Albert. Operator provided information to his commission and a municipal councillor from the commission sent it to the Gazette. Residents are putting their compostables in a non-compostable bag so the City is coming out with messaging around this.
- New LED lights on crosswalks and it aluminates the actual sidewalk.
- Provincial programing will be up and running by April 1

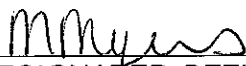
NEXT MEETING – March 23, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:31 p.m.



CHAIR



DESIGNATED OFFICER





**ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

DATE: Thursday, February 23, 2017
TIME: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
PLACE: St. Albert Business Centre
29 Sir Winston Churchill Ave.

File No: B02

AGENDA

- 1. Adoption of Agenda**
- 2. Adoption of Minutes – January 26, 2017**
- 3. Water Conservation Bylaw Awareness Campaign Strategy**
Review and discussion
- 4. Tree Canopy Target – Committee Advice to Council**
Discussion and approve advice
- 5. City-owned Contaminated Sites Policy – Committee Advice to Council**
Discussion and approve advice
- 6. Round Table**
- 7. Next Meeting Date – March 23, 2017**
- 8. Adjournment**