

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
K. Crutchfield
B. Korobanik
B. Thronson
B. Marsh
V. Neary
Councillor C. Heron, departed 7:05pm
S. Pearson

Staff

M. Mellross, Manager, Environment & Sustainability
E. Isaac, Environmental Coordinator - Community

WELCOME

M. Mellross welcomed the new and returning members. Members and staff introduced themselves.

EAC decided to discontinue the *Get to Know Your Committee Member* presentations because there are no new members. It was suggested that a social event would be a more effective team building activity.

T. Doran offered to draft the thank-you letter for Wendy Vanderwel.

All subcommittee positions were filled. Due to the scope of the 3-year priority setting process, an all-member-meeting will be scheduled in March prior to creating a subcommittee.

All members expressed interest in having members at large invited to provide additional input and expertise on priority areas as needed.

The following list of topic area experts were highlighted:

Topic Area	Name, Organization
Green Building Policy	Arsheel Hirji, Leader of Sustainable Infrastructure, City of Calgary Arsheel.Hirji@calgary.ca
Storm Water Rate Model	Stephen Graham, City of St. Albert
EIG Policy Review	Robyn Webb, Environmental Coordinator, City of Edmonton

ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

M. Mellross called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) for 2016. T. Doran was nominated and, as there were no further nominations, T. Doran was declared elected Chair.

The meeting was turned over to the Chair.

The Chair called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the EAC for 2016. B. Korobanik was nominated, as there were no further nominations, B. Korobanik was declared elected Vice-Chair.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA

The Chair declared the agenda adopted as presented.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES

The Chair declared the minutes of November 26, 2015 adopted as presented.

ENVIRONMENTAL INITIATIVES GRANT PROGRAM UPTAKE

Review and Discuss

Administration presented an EIG funding review. EAC discussed other qualitative data that could be useful to understand motivators and barriers to application. The subcommittee will meet twice in February and recommendations will be presented at the next EAC meeting.

CLIMATE CHANGE STRATEGY UPDATE

Progress Report, Mike Mellross, Manager, Strategic Services and Environment
Administration provided an update on the work done to reduce emissions at the corporate and residential levels. Details were provided on the provincial Climate Leadership Plan and concerning Canada's Way Forward on Climate Change plan. Opportunities to enable solar photovoltaic technologies and renewable energy credits were presented.

WATER CONSERVATION BYLAW

M. Mellross provided an update on the Water Conservation bylaw. The bylaw was approved by Council December 7, 2016. The bylaw comes into effect January 1, 2017. A business case for an Education and Incentives program is being drafted.

ROUND TABLE

Members and staff provided information on items of general environmental interest.

E. Isaac gave an update on Earth Hour events and the HEAT program.

B. Korobanik requested an update on the AQMS.

M. Mellross is meeting with AEMERA tomorrow to discuss the trenched power at the AQMS site with Fortis.

T. Doran is leaving CAGBC and going to work for Stantec as the Senior Sustainability Lead for Alberta.


T. Doran, K. Crutchfield and B. Marsh attended the Land Use Building Community Workshop earlier this evening.

NEXT MEETING DATE

The next meeting is scheduled for February 26, 2016 at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Albert Business Centre.

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.



CHAIR



DESIGNATED OFFICER

DATE: **Thursday, January 28, 2016**
TIME: **6:00 pm - 8:00 pm**
PLACE: **St. Albert Business Centre
29 Sir Winston Churchill Ave.**

File No: 165-E4-2014

AGENDA

- 1. Election of Chair and Vice-Chair**
- 2. Welcome**
 - a. Introductions
 - b. Continue *Get to Know Your Committee Member?*
 - c. Subcommittees
 - d. Letter for Wendy Vanderwel
- 3. Adoption of Agenda**
- 4. Adoption of Minutes – November 26, 2015**
- 5. Environmental Initiatives Grant Program Uptake**
Review and Discuss
- 6. Water Conservation Bylaw**
Progress Report, Mike Mellross, Manager, Strategic Services and Environment
- 7. Round Table**
- 8. Next Meeting Date**
 - a. February 25, 2016
- 9. Adjournment**