

Minutes of a Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee held in the St. Albert Business Centre, on the above date at 6:00 pm.

Present

T. Doran
K. Crutchfield
B. Thronson
B. Marsh
S. Pearson

Absent

B. Korobanik
V. Neary
B. Russell

Staff

L. Kongsrude, Director, Strategic Services and Environment
C. Benson, Manager, Environment & Sustainability
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 October 27, 2016 adopted as presented.

2016 EAC ANNUAL REPORT AND PRIORITIES

- Discussion whether EAC should present annual report and priorities to Council. Attendees felt it was important to continue this each year.
- L. Kongsrude to clarify with Mayor Crouse regarding priority approval from Council.
- Reviewed the Annual Report and completed edits.

M. Myers arrived to the meeting (6:20 pm).

- M. Myers to revise Annual Report and send back to EAC for final review.

C. Benson departed the meeting (6:34 pm).

- Reviewed the 3-year strategic plan. Administration to edit introduction to align with the EAC Bylaw and send out to EAC for final review.

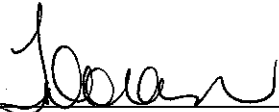
ROUND TABLE

- Group explored myheat.ca website which displays heat scores of house envelope.
- Follow up with SABA required regarding the status of the bike repair stations project.
- Alberta Parks is hosting an open house for Lois Hole Centennial Provincial Park on November 30 from 4pm-8pm at the Enjoy Centre Park Room.
- Proposed Youth Council going to City Council on November 28 to establish the group through bylaw. Suggestion that members of this new committee attend a EAC meeting.
- L. Kongsrude provided an update on the Sustainable Building Policy.
- Education and awareness budget for the water conservation bylaw was decreased from \$75,000 to \$20,000. The original business case included funding for summer students and incentives. The reduction in funding will change the strategy to more passive education and awareness (i.e. social media, newspaper ads, website information, etc.).
- Sturgeon River Watershed Alliance (SRWA) information brochure was produced to promote the group and help Council reps advocate for the objectives of the group.
- Environmental Services submitted a business case for a full-time Sturgeon River and natural areas position (biologist).
- Energy conservation projects debated today at Council
- Modernized municipal government act – exciting changes to the act - adding stewardship of the environment as a role of municipalities. Recommending a new reserve (conservation reserve – municipalities can buy a natural area from a developer hopefully at a predevelopment price). Environmental reserve is out of the development (municipality gets it) area and the definition is changing from the term swamp to wetland.
- Environmental Services submitted the City's Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) Milestone 4 recognition for implementation of Local Action Plan. The PCP program is a 5 milestone framework for municipalities to achieve greenhouse gas emissions targets.
- Suggestion to get together on Dec 22 as regular scheduled meeting to say good bye to Brent and Happy Holidays. Tanya will send out a confirmation on location.

NEXT MEETING – January 26, 2017

ADJOURNMENT

The Chair declared the meeting adjourned at 7:48 p.m.



CHAIR



DESIGNATED OFFICER



**ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

DATE: Thursday, November 24, 2016
TIME: 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm
PLACE: St. Albert Business Centre
29 Sir Winston Churchill Ave.

File No:

AGENDA

- 1. Adoption of Agenda**
- 2. Adoption of Minutes – October 27, 2016**
- 3. 2016 EAC Annual Report and Priorities**
- 4. Round Table**
- 5. Next Meeting Date – January 26, 2017**
- 6. Adjournment**