Municipality of Brockton Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, August 7, 2018 – 3:30 p.m.

Location: Brockton Meeting Room - 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

Quorum: 6 of 9 Members Present

Committee Members

Councillor Steve Adams Present Alex Baran Present Racheal Bye Absent Caroline Cressman Present Bruce Davidson Present Jenny Iserman Absent Councillor Chris Peabody Present **Barry Randall** Present Chelsey Reich Present

Staff

Barb Hauri-Nixon, Horticulturalist

Brandy Patterson, Deputy Clerk & Sustainability Coordinator

Present

Present

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bruce Davidson called the meeting to order at 3:37 p.m.

2. Adopt Agenda

Motion Moved by B. Randall Seconded by A. Baran

That the agenda for the August 7, 2018 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

Carried.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

- B. Davidson declared pecuniary interest regarding the following agenda items:
 - 7.1 Expanded Polystyrene Recycling Program

4. Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting

<u>Motion</u> Moved by C. Reich Seconded B. Randall

That the minutes of the June 5, 2018 meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried.

5. Business Arising - May 1, 2018 Minutes

Councillor Adams asked about what types of waste was collected in the 2018 Annual Kelly Reid Saugeen River Cleanup. B. Davidson noted that items varied and that there were some large items collected (including a car seat) and a large amount of scrap metal which was taken to the Walkerton Recycling Depot. It was also confirmed approximately 40 people participated in the Cleanup.

Regarding item 9.1 Municipal Tree Policy, the Committee expanded on their discussion from the June 5, 2018 meeting and asked that B. Patterson forward the Committee's suggestion to the appropriate staff person to establish a procedure to consult property owners regarding tree removal and suggested that an option for property owners to request a second opinion also be established.

5.1 Review Action Items

The Committee discussed upcoming events and related action items.

5.2 Staffing Update

B. Patterson provided the Committee with a staffing update and informed them that as a result of her resignation as Deputy Clerk, and acceptance of a part-time contract position with the Municipality, her role will change, however she will continue to act as recording secretary and staff liaison until the end of 2018.

6. Financial Update

6.12018 EAC Budget Tracking

B. Patterson provided the Committee with an update of 2018 funds spent to date.

6.2 Reserve Fund Update

Based on the resolution the Committee approved at its May 1, 2018 meeting, a report was presented to Council at its July 23, 2018 Meeting and Council approved transferring the following funds from reserve into the Committee's 2018 budget line item:

Year	Project	Amount
2018	2018 Annual Kelly Reid Saugeen River Cleanup	\$200.00
2018	2018 Zero Waste Event Kit Supplies	\$1,000.00
2018	Shelving Recycling Depot and/or Expanded Polystyrene Densifier	\$1,000.00
2018	Bee and Butterfly Pollinator Gardens	\$500.00
	Total	\$2,700.00

It was determined that \$500 for the Bee and Butterfly Pollinator Gardens would have been best left in reserves until it could be used in 2019. The Committee discussed ways these funds could be used in 2018.

7. Project Updates

7.1 Expanded Polystyrene Recycling Program

B. Davidson provided a further update on this project and reported that a draft report has been circulated to partners, the funding application has been submitted and provided the Committee with an overview of the expected project timelines.

7.2 Zero Waste Community Event Kit

C. Reich and B. Patterson reported they had secured two quotes to prepare a Zero Waste Brockton logo:

\$350 Make + Take Workshop \$1.000 eSolutions

The Committee decided to accept the lower quote from Make + Take Workshop. C. Reich will coordinate with the designer and will work with staff to ensure the logo aligns with the new Brockton Branding and the Committee will be presented with the final logo.

7.3 Blue Green Algae Information Cards for Lakes Residents – C. Peabody

Councillor Peabody reported that two thirds of the information cards have been delivered by the volunteer Road Directors of the Lakes Associations. Councillor Peabody noted that the invoice for the printing is forthcoming.

7.4 Speaker Series Ideas

Organizing Zero Waste Community Events – B. Randall and B. Davidson

This event is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16, 2018 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Committee members will work to book Jubilee Hall and promote the event.

Composting 101 Workshop

This event is scheduled for Saturday, September 22, 2018 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon. B. Patterson and B. Hauri-Nixon will coordinate the program for the event.

7.5 Community Garden and 2018 Upgrades

B. Hauri-Nixon reported that the letter of intent submitted to Community Foundation Grey Bruce in partnership with the Walkerton Action Committee for a grant to make the Community Garden accessible was favourably received and the Group working on this project will prepare a full application and budget for Council's approval for a September submission.

7.6 Bee and Butterfly Pollinator Gardens

B. Hauri-Nixon reported that mason bee houses were built as part of the Parks and Recreation Department's summer Tween Camp and the mason bee houses have been placed at the Bruce Power Regional Soccer Park, Riverbend Park, and Cunningham Park. Participants in the Tween Camp also assisted in planting four fruit trees (apple, plum,

apricot) as well as flowering shrubs at the Walkerton Recycling Depot. Additional preparations will take place this fall to plan for spring and summer planting in 2019.

7.7 Fisheries Task Force

B. Davidson informed the Committee that the Task Force continues to work to install waste stations at the launch points along with Saugeen River.

8. Information

None.

9. New Business

9.1 Community Foundation Grey Bruce Training and Demonstration Grant

B. Davidson reported that funds may be available to assist in training Community Living Clients to operate the Styrofoam densifier as part of the pilot project. Staff will work with B. Davidson to determine if the Committee can apply as a sub-committee of the Municipality.

9.2 Bruce Power and Council of Great Lakes Region Partnership Workshop - September 18, 2018

B. Davidson informed the Committee of this event and reported that he will be showcasing a number of the Committee's work and Municipal initiatives at the event.

9.3 Committee Membership

J. Iserman informed the Committee that she plans to leave the Committee at the end of this Council term. B. Patterson will work to advertise the vacancy on the Committee with the intent to have the Committee review letters of interest and make a recommendation to the incoming Mayor for inclusion in the 2018-2022 Council Committee Appointments By-Law in December.

10. Council Update

None was provided during this meeting.

11. Adjournment

Motion Moved by C. Reich

That the Environmental Advisory Committee adjourn at 5:05 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, September 11, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.