

Municipality of Brockton Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, October 2, 2018 – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Brockton Meeting Room - 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

Quorum: 6 of 9 Members Present

Committee Members

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

Staff

Barb Hauri-Nixon, Horticulturalist	Absent
Brandy Patterson, Election and Project Assistant (Secretary)	Present
Taylor Grubb, Operations Administrative Assistant	Present
Jamie Morgan, Director of Operations	Present

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bruce Davidson called the meeting to order at 4:25 p.m. and welcomed Taylor Grubb, Operations Administrative Assistant and Jamie Morgan, Director of Operations to the meeting.

2. Adopt Agenda

Motion Moved by B. Randall Seconded by C. Reich

That the agenda for the October 2, 2018 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

None declared at this time.

4. Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion Moved by C. Cressman Seconded . C. Reich

That the minutes of the September 11, 2018 meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried.

5. Business Arising – September 11, 2018 Minutes

No items were brought forward.

6. Financial Update

6.1 2018 EAC Budget Tracking

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

It was noted that any remaining funds from 2018 budgeted projects will be spent on shelving for the Recycling Depot and installation of electrical supply for the polystyrene densifier.

6.2 2019 Budget Discussion and Approval

The Committee discussed plans and projects for 2019 and considered the following motion:

Motion Moved by R. Bye Seconded J. Iserman

That the Environmental Advisory Committee recommends that Brockton Council approve the following items for the Committee's 2019 Budget:

Project	Budgeted Amount
Zero Waste Community Event Kit	\$500.00
Tools and Supplies	\$700.00
Education and Workshops	\$1,500.00
Annual Kelly Reid Saugeen River Cleanup	\$300.00
Bee and Butterfly Pollinator Gardens	\$500.00
Saugeen River Enhancement, Remediation, and Accessibility Projects	\$2,500.00
Total	\$6,000.00

Carried.

7. Project Updates

7.1 Speaker Series

Composting 101 Workshop Report

Seventeen adults and six children attended the workshop at the Fire Hall on Saturday, September 22. Compost Educator Brandy Patterson provided an 1.4 hour presentation providing an overview of the basics of backyard composting. A hands-on table was set up for the children in attendance and Barb Hauri-Nixon led them through several activities to introduce them to the basics of composting with worms at home. Following the presentation, attendees enjoyed refreshments and then met across the parking lot at the Community Garden where B. Hauri-Nixon offered a tour of the garden plots and shared tips

on how to determine soil health. Some participants then prepared a sampling of yard and garden materials for composting in a hands-on demonstration. A draw was held for a green cone digester and one of the child participants was the winner.

Action: The Committee will coordinate a Spring 219 date.

Zero Waste Workshop – Tuesday, October 16, 2018

The Committee discussed plans for this event which will be held at Victoria Jubilee Hall.

7.2 Community Garden

J. Iserman reported that garden clean up events are planned for Wednesday, October 17, from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, October 20 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. and everyone is welcome. She then reported that an All-You-Can-Eat Spaghetti Fundraiser will be hosted by the Walkerton Action Committee on Monday, October 29, 2018 at Pizza Delight in Walkerton to raise funds for the Accessible Community Garden Project.

B. Davidson reported that an upcoming call has been scheduled with Community Foundation Grey Bruce regrading the recent grant proposal submitted to the Foundation.

B. Davidson then reported that October 27, 2018 has been set as a potential workshop date to install the ecoraster paver material to level a portion of the garden in preparation for accessible garden bed installation. More details will be circulated to the Committee when they are available.

J. Iserman then reported that the gardeners have very much appreciated the efforts and involvement of Horticulturalist Barb Hauri-Nixon over the course of the season. All but two gardeners have reported they will return for the 2019 growing season.

7.3 Zero Waste Community Event Kit

B. Patterson informed the Committee that a short report has been prepared for Council's review at their October 9, 2018 meeting to approve the Brockton Zero Waste logo. Once the logo is approved, it was agreed that aprons would be ordered and R. Bye and C. Reich will work to order a tent and magnets.

7.4 Expanded Polystyrene Recycling Program

B. Davidson informed the Committee that he participated in a recent call and that the Memorandum of Understanding between parties for this project is nearly in a final draft form and that they are still awaiting notice of the grant application for the Program.

8. Information

8.1 All You Can Eat Spaghetti Fundraiser – Monday, October 29, 2018

The Committee was reminded of this event.

9. New Business

9.1 Committee Membership

B. Patterson informed the Committee that following the Municipal Election on Monday, October 22, 2018, staff will be working with the Mayor Elect and Committee Chairs to determine which members wish to put their names forward for Committee Membership for the 2018 to 2022 Council Term. Vacancies will be advertised and members of the public will be invited to submit letters of interest for Committee positions which will be reviewed and approved by the new Council on December 3, 2018.

The following committee members in attendance indicated their desire to continue on the Committee: C. Cressman, C. Reich, R. Bye, B. Davidson

9.2 Staffing Update

Further to B. Davidson's introduction at the beginning of the meeting, B. Patterson informed the Committee that Operations Assistant, Tayler Grubb, will be the recording secretary for the Committee beginning in 2019.

10. Council Update

None was provided during this meeting.

11. Adjournment

Motion Moved by B. Randall

That the Environmental Advisory Committee adjourn at 5:41 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, November 6, 2018 at 3:30 p.m.