

Municipality of Brockton Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Tuesday, April 9, 2019 – 4:30 p.m.

Location: Brockton Meeting Room - 100 Scott Street, Walkerton

Quorum: 6 of 7 Members Present

Committee Members

Councillor Steve Adams	Present
Alex Baran	Present
Racheal Bye	Absent
Caroline Cressman	Present
Bruce Davidson	Present
Chelsey Reich	Present
Alishia Oberle	Present

Staff

Barb Hauri-Nixon, Horticulturalist	Present
Taylor Grubb, Operations/ CAO Administrative Assistant	Present
Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations	Present

Special Guest: West Grey Councillor Beth Hamilton

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bruce Davidson called the meeting to order at 4:35 p.m.

2. Adopt Agenda

Motion Moved by C. Reich Seconded by A.Oberle

That the agenda for the April 9, 2019 meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee be adopted as presented.

Carried.

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

7.2 Moved by B.Davidson Seconded by S.Adams

None declared at this time.

4. Adopt Minutes of Previous Meeting

Motion Moved by A.Baran Seconded by S.Adams

That the notes from the March 5, 2019 meeting be adopted as amended.

Carried.

5. Business Arising

5.1 Densifier Launch Date

The launch date is set for Thursday May 30th, 2019. Dave Thomas from Plastics Association will be attending on Tuesday. It has been discovered that wax covered Styrofoam may be causing some problems, however working to overcome the challenge. Hoping to move towards to accepting from the public sooner rather than later once all training is completed.

B. Davidson explained the “bricks” that the densifier creates has a multitude of uses and Brockton would like to showcase the densifier as much as possible.

6. Financial Update

Bruce reviewed the current budget with the committee and his proposed budget. It was discussed within the committee to moves funds as required to get the Garden Beds started immediately and the budget will be updated/reallocated as grant funds are received.

6.1 Pollinator Garden: \$500.00

B.Nixon stated in 2018 4 different bee and butterfly gardens were created, in 2019 she is proposing and educational factor be implemented to the gardens to make them an interactive experience. Two additional gardens at the Bruce Power Soccer Complex and the E Waste Building have been proposed. B. Nixon received quoted from Cox Signs for approx. \$1200, she will be obtaining quotes from other sources as well. A grant has been applied for to create funds to go towards the Bee and The Butterfly Garden and is due on Monday April 15, 2019.

6.2 Zero Waste:

\$372.87 has been spent to date. C.Reich and C. Cressman have begun the process to complete a procedure/policy to be used if the kit is rented out for events.

The committee discussed the possibility of training high school students on the kit and offering volunteer hours at events.

6.3 Densifier: Bruce needs to discuss with DOO regarding the bills as they need to go through both municipalities. There is \$2000.00 in the budget- might need to go to other budget. Expenses 50/50

6.4 Community Garden: The community garden is a priority, the committee will be using money in the budget that was allocated to the Lobbies Park Boat Dock to cover some expenses to work on the gardens. Grants have been applied for and it was great to hear that EAC applied for the Trillium Grant in the amount of \$1500.00 and will be receiving \$2000.00. We should hear back from the Community Foundation Grant by April 30, 2019. Discussions with the Rotary Club are going to take place on May 30th, 2019.

The raised garden beds are going to cost \$4213.00 for 6 beds. On May 25th, 2019 a Green Roof Workshop is going to take place and is going to cost \$500.00, it was noted that Northern Point Roofing is willing to donate their time.

Union Gas is coming May 15th to work on the garden beds - more funds might come however B. Davidson is confident we will receive \$1000.00

Motion Moved by C.Reich Seconded by A.Oberle

The committee is to begin the purchase process to create the garden beds, and to arrange the budget to cover the costs which is subject to change based on grant money received.

Carried.

6.5 River Clean Up

\$300 is required to cover the cost of the BBQ provided on May 11, 2019.

7. Information

None at this time.

8. New Business

8.1 Green Municipal Fund Grant Project- UV Disinfection of Wastewater

Director of Operations G. Furtney provided an update to the committee regarding the grant application process for the Green Municipal Fund; UV Disinfection of Wastewater. The Municipality is in the second stage, and the grant is for the purchase and install, due May 1st, 2019

Whereas the Municipality and its residents are concerned with the health of the ecosystem of the Saugeen River;

And Whereas the Brockton Municipal Pollution Control Plant is an important part of our community infrastructure.

Therefore be it resolved that the Brockton Environmental Advisory Committee, a long standing committee of Council, strongly supports the application for funding, through there Green Municipal Fund, for an Ultra Violet Light Disinfection System for the Brockton Municipal Pollution Control Plant Treatment System.

Motion Moved by S.Adams Seconded by C.Reich

Carried.

8.2 Social Media

T.Grubb discussed the possibility of separate social media accounts for the EAC committee with Brockton Clerk, Hamilton prior to tonight's meeting. T.Grubb advised the committee that at this time it is not permitted to make separate social media accounts. Anything the committee would like posted to social media is to go through the municipalities social media pages and all content can be provided to the Corporate Records, Licensing and Communications Assistant or to the Operations/CAO Administrative Assistant.

9. Council Update

S. Adams spoke to the ongoing Landfill conversation. Brockton does not participate in the free landfill pass that Hanover offered for 2019. Steve explained to the committee that the pass is a onetime only "spring cleanup" pass for yard work (leaves, sticks etc.) and not garbage.

10. Adjournment

Motion Moved by A. Oberle

That the Environmental Advisory Committee adjourn at 5:43 p.m. to meet again on Tuesday, March 5, 2019 at 4:30 p.m.