

Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Monday September 21st, 2020 – 4:30 pm – 6:30 pm

Location: Zoom Meeting

Quorum: 6 of 7 Members Present

Committee Members:

Councillor Steve Adams

Chair Bruce Davidson

Jan Briggs-McGowan

Racheal Bye

Caroline Cressman

Chelsey Reich

Alisha Oberle

Present

Present

Absent

Staff:

Gregory Furtney, Director of Operations
Present

Cally Mann, Municipal Executive Coordinator Present

1. Call to Order

Committee Chair Bruce Davidson called the meeting to order at 4:39 pm

2. Adoption of Agenda

Moved By: C. Reich Seconded By: S. Adams

That the agenda for the September 21st, 2020 meeting of the

Environmental Advisory Committee be adopted with the following added



Add 6.4 Binder Deconstruction

6.5 Community Gardens

Carried

3. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

Bruce Davidson declared a pecuniary interest in the Binder Deconstruction due to compensation.

4. Review and Adoption of March 3rd, 2020 Minutes

Moved By: R. Bye

Seconded By: C. Reich

That the minutes of the March 3rd, 2020 meeting be adopted.

Carried

5. Business Arising from the March 3rd, 2020 Minutes

Bruce Davidson provided an update on some of the projects that were discussed at the March 3rd meeting, as the meeting occurred prior to COVID19.

6. Project or Program Updates

6.1 OES Changes

Gregg provided the committee with Brockton Council Report Number PW2020-27 – OES to EPRA Electronic Recycling Agreement which explained that the current program was staying relatively the same, with the only changes being the name on the agreement and an increased number of acceptable items.

6.2 Green Cone Digester



Gregg provided the committee information regarding the 12 Green Cone Digesters that Brockton purchased, which arrived July 16th. Since then, three have been purchased.

6.3 Polystyrene Densifier Presentation

Gregg informed the committee of the demonstration being held at the MTO yard on September 24th. Bruce Davidson provided the committee with an overview of what the presentation will entail and information on Second Wind Recycling and Grey Bruce Sustainability Network, who are hosting the presentation. Brockton is only providing a location and material to the demonstration and is not endorsing it. Bruce also discussed that the densifier have densified approximately 16,000lbs of polystyrene since the program started.

6.4 Binder Deconstruction

Bruce provided an update as Bruce Power provided another load of 1,737 binders for deconstruction, 341 of which were donated.

6.5 Community Gardens

Bruce Davidson extended his thanks to Barb Nixon for rebuilding the wall in the garden. Bruce Davidson further provided updates on the Ecoraster paving solutions within Brockton.

7. Financial Update

The 2020 Environmental Advisory Committee budget has been frozen until the 2021 budget. There has been no further update related to the 2020



budget. The 2021 budget is being discussed within the municipality, however there is no update at this time.

7. Information Items

None at this time

8. Council Update

Councillor Steve Adams provided updates on the COVID processes that have been discussed at Council, including 2020 budgets for committees, the McGivern Street project and the 5 subdivision developments that are currently underway. Councillor Adams also confirmed that Brockton Council meetings will be remaining on Zoom at least for the remainder of 2020 and as a result of this change, there have been an increase in the number of attendees watching.

9. New Business

10.1 Accept Nominations for New Committee Member

Alishia Oberle has tendered her resignation from the Environmental Advisory Committee effective immediately. The committee will revisit posting the vacant position after the Terms of Reference have been confirmed by Brockton Council.

Moved By: C. Reich Seconded By: J. Briggs-McGowan
That the Environmental Advisory Committee accept Alishia Oberle's
resignation.

Carried

10.2 Accept Nominations for the Chair Position 2021



Bruce Davidson has decided to step down as Chair person effective

January 1st, 2021. The committee will revisit posting the vacant position

after the Terms of Reference have been confirmed by Brockton Council.

10.3 Communications

Jan brought forward a request to look at increasing the communication opportunities to communicate with the public on the positives that have come out of the programs run by the Environmental Advisory Committee. Committee members requested the municipality's communications staff be invited to the next committee meeting to discuss the possible opportunities.

10.Adjournment

Moved By: C. Reich

That the Environmental Advisory Committee adjourn at 5:48 pm to meet again on Tuesday November 3rd, 2020 at 4:30 pm Carried