

The Corporation of the City of Kawartha Lakes

Minutes

Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting

CKLEAC2022-001

Thursday, January 27, 2022

2:30 P.M.

Lindsay Service Centre - 2nd Floor

180 Kent Street West

Lindsay, ON K9V 2Y6

Members:

Deputy Mayor Tracy Richardson

Virginia Colling

Josh Feltham

Douglas Lowles

Erin McGregor

Ryan Megraw

Jamie Morris

Deborah Pearson

Karen Quinn

D. Ryrie

Barry Snider

Pat Warren

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1. Call to Order

P. Warren called the meeting to order at 2:33 p.m. D. Pearson, E. McGregor, V. Colling, J. Morris, D. Lowles, D. Ryrie, B. Snider and J. Feltham were in attendance.

Staff present were Director of Development Services, R. Holy and Recording Secretary E. Hallett

Absent: Deputy Mayor T. Richardson, R. Megraw and K. Quinn

1.1 Election of Chair

R. Holy conducted the appointment of Chair and asked for nominations.

Moved by D. Pearson

Seconded by J. Morris

That P. Warren be nominated as the Chair for the City of Kawartha Lakes Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

Carried

R. Holy asked for nominations a second and third time. There were no other nominations put forward.

P. Warren was declared Chair of the City of Kawartha Lakes Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

P. Warren assumed the role of Chair.

1.2 Election of Vice Chair

R. Holy conducted the appointment of Vice-Chair and asked for nominations.

Moved by P. Warren

Seconded by V. Collings

That D. Pearson be nominated for Vice-Chair for the City of Kawartha Lakes Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

Carried

R. Holy asked for nominations a second and third time. There were no other nominations put forward. Ginny Colling was nominated for the position of Vice-Chair but withdrew her nomination.

D. Pearson was declared Vice-Chair for the City of Kawartha Lakes Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

2. Administrative Business

2.1 Adoption of Agenda

J. Morris requested item 6.2 be amended to Transportation Sub-Committee Proposal

V. Collings requested the addition of item 6.6 – Southern Ontario Growth Conference

P. Warren requested the addition of item 6.7 – GLOBE Forum 2022 - FCM Conference

D. Lowles requested the addition of item 6.8 – Moratorium on New Gravel Mining Approvals

P. Warren requested addition of item 6.9 – Rural Zoning By-law Review

V. Collings requested removal of item 3.2 – Julie Petit and Robin Turri

Moved By D. Lowles

Seconded By V. Colling

That the agenda be adopted as amended.

Carried

2.2 Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest disclosed.

2.3 Adoption of Minutes

December 9, 2021

Moved By V. Colling

Seconded By D. Lowles

That the Minutes of the December 9th, 2021 CKLEAC meeting, be received.

Carried

3. Deputations/Presentations

3.1 James Mulhern

Land for Wilderness Park

James Mulhern brought forth a proposal for the creation of a Wilderness Park and Environmental Learning Center on a parcel of land that formerly housed the Bonair Plastic factory (in the area of Logie Street / Riverview Road and the Rainbow Bridge). J. Mulhern explained the potential for various types of developments, the collaboration of multiple groups and the benefits of providing a unique park for residents to learn and enjoy.

Committee members discussed and posed questions pertaining to ownership, history of the site, shoreline naturalization, and possible environmental concerns.

J. Mulhern will continue to research and report his findings back to the Committee.

3.2 Julie Petit and Robin Turri

Research Project - Community Driven Sustainability

Removed from Agenda.

4. **Correspondence**

5. **Action Item Updates**

5.1 CKLEAC Work Plan Updates by Project Team Leaders

Pollinator Action Sub-Committee

P. Warren reported the sub-committee met last night and discussed plans for 2022 including

- the 3rd annual Bee a Hero Contest
- the 2nd annual Biking for Pollinators event
- the Broad Street pollinator demonstration patch
- the potential for a Garden Tour of front lawns that have been converted to pollinator gardens in Lindsay

P. Warren suggested members tune into a Bee City webinar next Tuesday pertaining to a project in Calgary, and will forward the link to members.

P. Warren confirmed that the Bee a Hero awards are scheduled to be presented at Committee of the Whole on February 8, 2022.

Environmental Hero

P. Warren reported that R. Cowieson in the Communications Division has promoted and advertised the Environmental Hero Awards through social media and other channels through the City. Additionally, P. Warren has been promoting the Awards through other methods such as Facebook.

Committee members discussed the potential for expanding in 2022 such as the inclusion of an Agricultural / Farm Category.

Active Transportation

J. Morris summarized the work completed over 2021 including:

- commenting on the draft terms of reference for the Active Transportation Master Plan
- consulting on the installation of cycling infrastructure at Old Mill Park
- assisting with the CHEST grant applications for cycling infrastructure for Queen's Square
- recommended bicycle lock up units at Logie and Memorial Parks in Lindsay, which were installed
- registered CKLEAC with CIMA as official stakeholder in Trails Master Plan development
- expressed interest in working on the Active Transportation Master Plan as it moves forward

6. New or Other Business

6.1 Active Transportation Master Plan Update - Jamie Morris

J. Morris noted that the Active Transportation Jump In page had been launched on the City website and that it included a survey, key dates, and time lines.

R.Holy clarified that the upcoming Technical Advisory Committee meeting was geared toward agencies, while the upcoming Stakeholder Workshop would be

open to the public, and that the survey would be open until March / April of this year.

R. Holy advised that a report would be going to Committee of the Whole on February 8th, 2022 to establish an ATMP taskforce.

6.2 Active Transportation Sub-Committee Proposal - Jamie Morris

J. Morris addressed the need for a Transportation Sub-committee to focus on the entire Transportation section of the Healthy Environment Plan (pages 58-63). The primary aim of the HEP is to reduce local GHG emissions. The sub-committee will be focussed on not just Active Transportation, but all matters related to Transportation. The sub-committee will look into recommendations to Council on issues related to transportation and on strategy, policies, by-laws and procedures to reduce GHG. They will develop public education programs and review various governmental reports / programs and their impacts. The committee will be comprised of CKLEAC members, and at each CKLEAC meeting, there will be a reporting from the sub-committee. Approval from CKLEAC will be required for the sub-committee initiatives and recommendations to Council.

J. Morris, P. Warren, D. Pearson, D. Ryrie and V. Collings will form the Transportation sub-committee.

6.3 Review of Terms of CKLEAC Terms of Reference - Jamie Morris

Committee reviewed the Terms of Reference for CKLEAC.

Members commented that the focus needs to remain on GHG targets and meeting the targets. Discussion ensued regarding the collection of data. CKLEAC looks forward to the addition of the Environmental Co-ordinator to Development Services staff.

6.4 Mishkodeh Center for Indigenous Knowledge - Pat Warren

P. Warren provided members with a presentation from Mishkodeh Center for Indigenous Knowledge – a proposal by the Truth and Reconciliation Community of Bobcaygeon.

P. Warren and D. Pearson concluded that “The Mishkodeh Center for Indigenous Knowledge is a great opportunity to connect learning and healing with the environment. It is a wonderful initiative for all to enjoy.”

Moved By V. Colling

Seconded By J. Feltham

That CKLEAC provides a letter of support that The Mishkodeh Center for Indigenous Knowledge is a great opportunity to connect learning and healing with the environment. It is a wonderful initiative for all to enjoy.

Carried

6.5 Work Plans - Richard Holy

R. Holy requested that members please submit 2022 Work Plans and 2021 accomplishments for the following:

- Pollinator Action Committee
- Active Transportation
- Plastics Reduction Sub-Committee

And submit 2022 Work Plans for:

- Transportation Sub-Committee
- Rural Zoning By-law Sub-Committee

6.6. Southern Ontario Growth Conference

V. Colling suggested members may be interested in attending a free Southern Ontario Growth Conference focussing on municipal plan updates and reducing emission. V. Colling will provide the link to members.

6.7. GLOBE Forum 2022 – FCM

P. Warren suggested members may be interested in attending the GLOBE Forum 2022 through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities. P. Warren provided a link to members to register, and suggested CKLEAC could possibly fund 3 or 4 members to attend. P. Warren, V. Colling, D. Pearson, J. Morris, and D. Ryrie expressed an interest. It was suggested that Deputy Mayor T. Richardson may also be interested, and should be offered the opportunity.

6.8. Moratorium on New Gravel Mining Approvals

D. Lowles offered information on an online rally to launch the Reform Gravel Mining Coalition. Political leaders from Ontario NDP and Green parties endorsed the demand of the Coalition for a moratorium on new gravel mining approvals in Ontario. CKLEAC members are welcome to view the materials and support the initiative.

6.9. Rural Zoning By-law Review

P. Warren noted that the Draft Rural Zoning By-law would become available soon. Members agreed to divide into 3 working groups to review and provide comment:

Shoreline Working Group – D. Lowles, V. Collings, E. McGregor, P. Warren

Agricultural Working Group – B. Snider, P. Warren, D. Pearson, J. Feltham

Design and Development Standards Working Group P. Warren, D. Ryrrie, D. Pearson

7. **Next Meeting**

The next CKLEAC meeting will be held on Thursday, March 24, 2022 at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom

8. **Adjournment**

Moved By V. Colling

Seconded By D. Lowles

That the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting adjourn at 4:18 p.m.

Carried