



PUBLIC MINUTES

SASKATOON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

October 12, 2017, 11:30 a.m.

Committee Room A, Second Floor, City Hall

PRESENT: Ms. K. Aikens, Chair
Mr. B. Sawatzky, Vice-Chair
Ms. E. Akins
Ms. A. Bugg
Ms. K. Engele-Carter
Ms. A. Garg
Councillor S. Gersher
Mr. S. Homenick
Dr. D. McGrane
Ms. K. Palmer

ABSENT: Ms. S. Harrison

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives B. Wallace
Committee Assistant D. Sackmann

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: K. Engele-Carter

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

CARRIED

3. DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declaration of conflict of interest.

4. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: A. Bugg

That the minutes of meeting held September 14, 2017, be adopted.

CARRIED

5. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

6. REPORT OF THE CHAIR [CK. 175-9]

The Committee was updated on the following:

- Congratulations extended to Angie Bugg, SEAC member, who was selected as one of ten U of S Canada 150 citizens.
- The Rob Dumont Awards were hosted by the Energy Management Task Force on Oct. 4th. SEAC was shortlisted for the leadership award. Congratulations to Shannon Dyck, City of Saskatoon and Mike Nemeth, Bright Buildings, who won this award for their work with Radiance Choosing. Three SASF classrooms were nominated for the education award, with St. Volodymyr School selected as the winner. The SES was chosen as organization of the year. A short write up of winners is available on the EMTF website: http://www.emtfsask.ca/awards_winners_2017.html.
- Events:
 - First Nations Power Authority is hosting a renewable forum on Nov. 15th
 - Build Sask Green Conference (Regina), registration open until Oct. 29th
 - Climate Change and Cities Conference, hosted by the IPCC, is in Edmonton, March, 2018; deadline for submissions to present is Oct. 16th
 - The Saskatchewan Waste Reduction Council is hosting its annual Rubbish Fundraising Dinner on Oct. 17th
 - Wild About Saskatoon is hosting a get-together to discuss the 2018 Nature City Festival on Oct. 12th

Ms. Garg entered the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Moved By: B. Sawatzky

That the information be received.

CARRIED

7. COMMUNICATIONS

8. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

8.1 Environmental & Corporate Initiatives [CK. 7550-1]

Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Wallace noted that the Division presented a number of reports to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services earlier in the week. Also noted was that the Administration plans on attending the IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) Conference in Edmonton, March 2018. The Committee was advised that Price Water Cooper is currently performing an internal audit related to climate change (GHG).

Moved By: E. Akins

That the information be received.

CARRIED

8.2 Climate Change Mitigation Business Plan - Opportunities [CK. 375-5]

The Committee Assistant submitted for the Committee's information a report of the A/General Manager, Corporate Performance, dated September 11, 2017.

Nasha Spence, Environmental & Corporate Initiatives provided a PowerPoint on Climate Change Mitigation Business Plan Update focusing on engagement and communication in order to build awareness. Discussion followed. The Committee was asked for its input regarding receiving monthly updates over the next year pertaining to the matter. Also discussed were some of the rolls that the Committee could fulfill regarding engagement and communication efforts.

Mr. Sawatzky excused himself at 12:24 p.m.

The Administration advised that next month Solar Opportunities Report will be coming before the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services along with reports on ICI Waste Diversion Opportunities and Recovery Park.

Moved By: D. McGrane

That the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee present its support regarding the Solar Opportunities Report to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services, November 6, 2017 meeting.

CARRIED

Dr. McGrane excused himself from the meeting at 12:39 p.m.

9. GREENHOUSE GAS EMISSIONS SUBCOMMITTEE [CK. 375-4]

The Subcommittee provided an update on progress related to its social media campaign. Social media coordinators (Sara and Kathleen) have coordinated Facebook pages and Twitter postings. Thanks was extended to Sara for her work with Facebook. Committee members were reminded to follow Facebook at (Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee - SEAC) and Twitter (@SEAC_Saskatoon). In 2018 there will be an opportunity for the Committee to appoint new social media coordinator(s).

Erin Aikens, SEAC member presented a PowerPoint on "Comments on Draft Outcomes for a High Performance Building Policy". Ms. Aikens highlighted: context; environment; social & financial; integrated design process; general comments; and 3rd Party Standards. Discussion followed.

Ms. Garg excused herself from the meeting at 12:58 p.m.

Moved By: A. Bugg

1. That the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee forward the GHG Subcommittee's presentation on "Comments on Draft Outcomes for a High Performance Building Policy" to the Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Division for information.

CARRIED

10. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES [CK. 1704-5]

The Committee Assistant submitted the September 2017 Statement of Expenditures for the Committee's review.

The Committee at its September meeting approved \$300.00 to be used toward social media promotion during the months of September to December, 2017. The Committee discussed strengthening the existing social media campaign. Unite Digital will continue to provide support, but there is a need to contract someone regarding social media expertise content. The Committee has

preference for someone with knowledge of local issues. The timeframe for the proposal would be the second week of November to end of December, 2017.

Mr. Homenick excused himself from the meeting at 1:08 p.m.

Moved By: A. Bugg

1. That the GHG Subcommittee be approved to initiate a search for an individual or organization with (1) climate expertise, particularly as it pertains to local issues and (2) social media knowledge to fulfill a contract in the amount of \$2,500, including applicable taxes; and
2. That at least three SEAC members be responsible for review of applications and the final decision be made at SEAC's Nov. 9, 2017 meeting.

CARRIED

11. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:23 p.m.

Ms. K. Aikens, Chair

Ms. D. Sackmann, Committee Assistant