



The meeting of the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, November 22, 2017 in the Council Chambers, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: John Birchall
 Catherine Ethier
 Jill King
 Ben Longstaff
 Steven Kovecevic
 Dena Farsad

Absent: Councillor Vegh

Staff Present K. Saini, Deputy Clerk
 M. White, Planner
 A. Walkom, Council/Committee Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 PM.

Ben Longstaff in the Chair.

Additions and Corrections to the Agenda

- (1) Item 1: Five Year Conservation Demand and Management Plan (CDM) was moved from Presentations to Items.

Declarations & Pecuniary Interest

None.

Presentation

None.

Approval of Minutes

Moved by: John Birchall
Seconded by: Dena Farsad

1. Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2017

1. That the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of September 13, 2017 be approved.

Carried

Correspondence

None.

Items

2. Town of Newmarket Tree Policy update

The Planner provided a brief overview of the revised Town of Newmarket Tree Policy, including a list of changes and a timeline update for the policy.

Moved by: John Birchall
Seconded by: Steven Kovecevic

1. That the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee thank the Town Planning Department for the presentation on the Tree Policy.

Carried

3. Update from Regional Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting

Dena Farsad, Catherine Ethier and John Birchall provided an update on the Regional EAC meeting including an overview of the projects which have been completed by other York Region municipalities, pollinator projects, greenhouse gas challenges and textile recycling programs.

4. Public events – pre-planning for 2018

The Committee discussed possible events to be held in 2018. The Committee reviewed the events which have been conducted annually in the past and discussed which should be continued in the future. There was discussion on whether multiple events could be combined into one day, such as in conjunction with Environment Day in the spring. The Committee agreed to focus efforts on a single outreach event in 2018 that could combine e-recycling, community repair event and garage sale.

5. Recycling Bin Discussion

This item was deferred to the next meeting.

6. Resignation of Petra Vollmerhausen

Moved by: John Birchall
Seconded by: Dena Farsad

1. That the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee accept the resignation of Petra Vollmerhausen and thank her for her years of service; and,
2. That the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee recommend the vacancy be filled.

Carried

7. Five Year Conservation Demand and Management Plan (CDM)

The Planner provided an update on the Municipal Greenhouse Gas Challenge Fund and the applications which have been submitted by the Town. Discussion ensued on the projects which can be completed by residents to achieve energy savings. The Planner provided a timeline for when the Town can expect to hear back on the results of the applications.

8. Appointment of Chair and Vice Chair

Moved by: Ben Longstaff
Seconded by: John Birchall

1. That Dena Farsad be appointed as Chair; and,
2. That Steven Kovecevic be appointed as Vice-Chair.

Carried

New Business

Adjournment

The Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee adjourned at 8:15 PM.

Date

Ben Longstaff, Chair