



Town of Newmarket **MINUTES**

NEWMARKET ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Wednesday, September 7, 2016 at 6:30 PM
Cane A & B

The meeting of the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee was held on Wednesday, September 7, 2016 in Cane A & B, 395 Mulock Drive, Newmarket.

Members Present: John Birchall
Michelle Bourdeau
Cathie Ethier
Nicole Hamley
David Kempton
Jill King (6:46 to 8:40 p.m.)
Petra Vollmerhausen, Chair

Absent: Stephanie Sales

Staff Present: J. Slykhuis, Senior Environmental Coordinator
C. Finnerty, Council/Committee Coordinator

The meeting was called to order at 6:33 p.m.

P. Vollmerhausen in the Chair.

Additions & Corrections to the Agenda

None.

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

None.

Approval of Minutes

1. Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes of May 4, 2016.

Moved by: Cathie Ethier
Seconded by: Nicole Hamley

THAT the Newmarket Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes of May 4, 2016 be approved.

Carried

d) 2017 Waste and Recycling Calendar - Inclusion of NEAC Events

J. Birchall provided an overview of events typically submitted for the waste calendar.

The following dates were recommended for inclusion in the calendar:

Community Garage Sale – May 27, 2017

Holland River Cleanup – May 6/13 (Town established date)

E-Waste – Recycling Council of Ontario – potentially October 21

Discussion ensued regarding 2017 Farmer's Market dates and inclusion of NEAC events on the MyWaste app.

e) Discussion regarding future outreach opportunities.

M. Bourdeau provided a verbal overview of a proposal for a community based environmental initiative, being an environmental group that each year would focus on a particular theme or initiative, with outreach methods that would include a mailing list, newsletter or short blog posts. The intent of the group would be to have focused conversations and topics, direct and specific in order to encourage behavioural changes.

Moved by: Cathie Ethier

Seconded by: Nicole Hamley

THAT the concept presented by Michelle Bourdeau be approved in principle subject to staff investigating any potential constraints.

Carried

4. Verbal Report from the Senior Environmental Coordinator regarding an environmental projects update

The Senior Environmental Coordinator provided a verbal update on the Ray Twinney Low Impact Design stormwater retrofit and Lions Park drainage projects, including project purpose, timelines, construction plans and funding. She further advised that an Open House on the Ray Twinney LID project would be held on October 11, 2016 and to direct any questions or comments on either project to her attention.

5. Committee and Working Group Updates

- a) D. Kempton provided a verbal update on cycling related initiatives, including the current work being conducted by Cycle Newmarket.

Adjournment

Moved by: John Birchall
Seconded by: Michelle Bourdeau

THAT the meeting adjourn.

Carried

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m.

Date

Petra Vollmerhausen, Chair