



Burlington Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: February 28, 2018
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Room 247, Level 2, City Hall

1. Members Present:

Tim Park (chair), Jim Feilders (vice-chair), Carolyn Barnes, Katie Rauscher, Herb Lewington, Bob Burchett, Herb Sinnock, Farzaneh Farahani, Chris Maynard, Jillian Gorbald, Hashem Hosseini-Mousavi, Mathew McAuley & Glenn Portch

2. Others Present:

Lynn Robichaud (staff), Guy Sheppard (vol) & Gareth Williams (vol)

3. Regrets:

Councillor Sharman, Susan Mattine & Virginia Linaja

4. Declarations of Interest:

None.

5. Approval of Minutes:

5.1 Approve minutes from meeting held January 24, 2018 (Tim)

Approved.

6. Regular Items:

6.1 Updates from previous events

Plug'n Drive was at the Auto Show in Toronto and had 12,000 test drives over a four day period. They had 12 different models for people to test drive

6.2 Upcoming events/news (All)

a. Clean Air Hamilton Upwind Downwind Air Quality Conference – Hamilton Sheraton, Mar 5

- b. McMaster Centre for Climate Change Spring Lecture – McMaster Innovation Park, Mar 6
- c. Bay Area Climate Summit – RBG – Mar 7 (evening free event) & Mar 8 (daytime paid event)
- d. BurlingtonGreen Community Clean-up Event – Apr 21
- e. SDC Library event, Urban Agriculture – Central Library, May 3

6.3 Council updates (Councillor Sharman)

6.4 Staff Updates (Lynn)

- a. Future presentations to the SDC
 - David Miles, Mgr of Waste Management Planning & Collection, Waste Management & Road Operations, Halton Region – March
 - Barb Rabicki, Mgr of Urban Forestry, City of Burlington – tbd
 - Kristen O'Connor (RAP) and/or Chris McLaughlin (BARC) – tbd

There was discussion about the new process requested by the Clerk's department for all items to come to the SDC Committee of the Whole for final approval, such as comments on policy documents and development applications. This is the process followed by other advisory committees. A line will be added to documents once approved by the COW: "Approved by the SDC Committee of the Whole" and include the date.

6.5 Business arising from the minutes (All)

- a. Review of 2017 Year End Reports & 2018 Objectives
Approved with minor amendments.

6.6 Awareness sub-committee update (Katie/Farzaneh)

They are still working on the carbon savings App.

A display is planned for Central Library for a week starting Friday, April 27th.

Farzaneh provided an update on the spring event on May 3rd on urban agriculture where a panel of speakers will be speaking about growing food.

They will be deferring working with the Millennial Committee to plan an event until 2019 since it is an election year and this is a Mayor's committee.

- a. Cycling Plan Comments

Approved with a minor amendment.

6.7 Policy and Development subcommittee update (Herb/Jillian)

There was a discussion about the information received from Roz Minaji, Coordinator of Development, Planning at the last P&D meeting. Roz noted that the committee should focus their comments on specific sustainability features for the development. There was some disagreement with the approach while some recognized that a more scoped focused approach may help emphasize those items which may be most important to the committee, perhaps related to helping the city to become carbon neutral. The committee is planning to develop a pamphlet related to key items in the city's Sustainable Building and Development Guidelines and this may lead to the review of the committee's comment template.

484-490 Plains Road development – Chris presented the comments on this proposed development.

- a. Official Plan Review - Comments

Guy presented the comments on the OP review.

Approved with minor amendments.

Lynn to forward to council and staff on behalf of the SDC.

6.8 Reports from external groups and conferences

- a. Community Energy Plan (burlington.ca/CEP) (Herb/Lynn)

- b. BurlingtonGreen (burlingtongreen.org) (Jim)

Jim advised that the executive director has ordered a Chevy Bolt, 100% electric

- c. Halton Environmental Network (haltonenvironment.net)

7. Other Business:

7.1 Upcoming meeting dates

- a. Policy & Development Sub-Committee – Mar. 7th, Room 307
- b. Awareness Sub-Committee – Mar. 14th, Room 305
- c. Committee of the Whole – Mar. 21st, Room 247**

8. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:15 p.m.