



Burlington Sustainable Development Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 17, 2021
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Virtual

1. Members Present:

Tim Park (Chair), Susan Mattine, Mathew McAuley, Dave Rokosh, Dave Bourns, Rafiq Dhanji, Anne Hammill, Fahim Hoque, Chris Ariens, Paul Fletcher, Jim Adams, Nikki Walton, Tom Krumins, Jose Henao

2. Others Present:

Councillor Paul Sharman, Lynn Robichaud (Manager - Environmental Sustainability), Laura Ross (Planner II, Policy), Suzanne Gillies (Clerk)

3. Member Regrets:

Guy Sheppard, Adria Cehovin, Laura DiPaolo

4. Welcome (Tim)

Tim welcomed the newly appointed members to the meeting and the committee. We went around the virtual table for introductions.

5. Declarations of Interest:

None.

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approve the minutes from the meeting held January 22, 2020

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held January 22, 2020 were approved as presented.

6.2 Approve the minutes from the meeting held January 20, 2021

Minutes were not available to be approved due to technical issues. Approval referred to the March 17 2021 meeting.

7. Consent Agenda (Items for approval)

None.

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Upcoming events

- a. March 9 - Annual Climate Change Forum hosted by Bay Area Climate Change Council

Registration is open. Suzanne will send out a link to the website for information and how to register.

8.2 Council and Staff updates

- a. Councillor Sharman

Councillor Sharman provided the following updates:

- spoke to his role on the committee which he has been on since 2010, tries to address critical matters going on in the City
- Regional official plan is being worked on, spoke of the Official Plan process
- the scoped Official Plan for the City was approved at the Region today, the big issue is redefining Urban Growth Centres (UGC), trying to push growth towards the go stations with less development downtown
- gave an update on Oval Court (beside the Appleby Go Station) however the project is in the very early stages - still need an area specific plan, there will be plenty of opportunities for the committee to comment

- b. Lynn Robichaud - Sustainability

Lynn provided the following updates:

- Tom Pedlar presented on EV charging stations at the Environment, Infrastructure and Community Services Committee (EICS) earlier this month, need a policy moving forward. Suzanne to send a link to the committee members.
- the national organization Quest is conducting a feasibility study with six municipalities across Canada, she is preparing a letter of support

- the community gardens initiative has been moved under the Recreation, Community and Culture department within the City, the program will continue and will receive more support from the recreation department
- suggested that new members become engaged through 'get involved Burlington' website and the take action blog (links to be provided by the Clerk)

c. Laura Ross - Community Planning

Laura provided the following updates:

- as requested at the last meeting an update on the Eagle Heights development application - the application is still in the LPAT appeal process, this committees comments are still a part of the report
- the Housing Strategy draft engagement plan report will be going to the Community Planning, Regulation and Mobility Committee (CPRM) meeting in April
- Sustainable Building and Development Guidelines report will be going to CPRM in May
- staff are looking into the feasibility of a green roof by-law, Suzanne to send a link to the Green Roof Strategy
- there will be lots of opportunities for the committee to provide comments on the scoped Halton Region's Scoped ROPR (Regional Official Plan Review) , Suzanne to send out link to ROPR document from Halton Region

8.3 Business arising from the minutes

a. Committee recruitment

No update - new members have been appointed and many are in attendance.

New member orientation session will be on March 31, all members are welcome but geared towards new members.

b. Year end report 2020 and 2021 objectives

Suzanne to send a link to the 2020 year end report to the committee members

8.4 Policy and Development subcommittee update

No update as the subcommittee has not met since November 2020

8.5 Reports from external groups and conferences

a. Climate Action & Adaptation plans (Lynn)

- Staff will be bringing a report regarding the Climate Adaptation Plan to the EICS committee in March, Suzanne to send out the link

b. Bay Area Climate Change Council (Dave B)

Dave B provided the following update:

- BACCC had a meeting yesterday (Feb. 16) where they discussed the launch of the new website and the upcoming forum
- BACCC is doing advocacy work by speaking with elected officials including City Councils, Mayors, MP's, Cabinet Ministers and City Managers
- BACCC has two implementation teams; buildings and transportation. The buildings team is looking at retrofit best practices around the world and developing a business case on costs/benefits.
- BACCC is advocating for the Federal budget to include increased funding for zero carbon initiatives

c. Halton Climate Collective (Lynn)

no update

d. ITAC (Tim)

no update, the next ITAC meeting is on Monday March 22

9. Other Business:

9.1 Future presentations for the Committee to consider at COW meetings

- Please bring suggestions to the next meeting on who we can invite to present at our meetings, one suggestion is Bianca Caramento from BACCC

- Lynn mentioned that the Cycling Master Plan will be going to committee in March, SDC should provide comments. Chris gave a summary of the highlights of the plan.

9.2 Upcoming meeting dates

- a. Committee of the Whole - March 17 at 7:00 p.m. - zoom
- b. Resumption of Subcommittee meetings?

If subcommittees are to resume, P&D meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month and Awareness meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month

10. **Adjournment:**

Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.