



Burlington Agricultural & Rural Affairs Advisory Committee Meeting

Minutes

Date: March 19, 2025
Time: 7:00 pm
Location: Room 247, City Hall, second floor

1. Members Present:

Vincent Sowa (Chair), Maura Romanelli, Erin Fleming, Wilma Jacobs, Larry Campbell, Michiel Barnard and Peter Starcevic

2. Regrets:

Mariam Abu-El-Magd and Norm Richardson

3. Others Present:

Councillor Kelvin Galbraith, Kelly Cook (Planner) and Jo-Anne Rudy (Clerk)

4. Land Acknowledgement

The Chair read the land acknowledgement.

5. Declarations of Interest:

None

6. Approval of Minutes:

6.1 Approve minutes from meeting held February 19, 2025

On motion, the minutes from the meeting held February 19, 2025, were approved as presented.

7. Delegation(s):

None

8. Regular Items:

8.1 Update from Chair's delegation at March 18, 2025 Council meeting

- Vincent thanked members for their quick email responses to approve his delegation at the March 18th Council meeting and advised that he reiterated the information that was contained in the Committee's correspondence, and stressed the importance of prioritizing the Agricultural Action Plan.
- Councillor Galbraith indicated that he would be happy to set up a meeting with himself, Curt Benson (Commissioner of Development & Growth) and the Chair or Committee to discuss.
- **Action** - Jo-Anne to send out link to Vincent's delegation and discussion of item to members.

8.2 Agricultural Action Plan - Work Plan Development

- Kelly reviewed the draft Agricultural Action Plan that the committee previously worked on and took the committee through a high level scoping exercise of proposed actions. Kelly will put together an updated draft and send it to members to review, along with a proposed Work Plan (including an Engagement Plan) targeted for a report to Council in Q3 of 2025.

9. Other Business:

None

10. Adjournment:

Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:14 p.m.