

# City of Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING

Wednesday, October 5, 2022 at 7:00 pm Held via Zoom teleconference and hosted in the Blaney Room, Maple Ridge City Hall

#### **Meeting Access Information**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, we will be holding the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) meeting in a hybrid format. Members of the EAC and the public are asked to join the meeting inperson in the Blaney Room at Maple Ridge City Hall or remotely using the following access information:

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- 1. CALL TO ORDER
- 2. **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA** October 5, 2022
- 3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
  - 3.1 February 9, 2022
  - 3.2 March 16, 2022
  - 3.3 June 8, 2022
- 4. **DELEGATIONS**
- 5. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS** 
  - 5.1 Committee Membership Review
  - 5.2 2023 Work Plan
- 6. LIAISON UPDATES
  - 6.1 Staff Liaison
  - 6.2 Council Liaison
- 7. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASK FORCE UPDATES
  - 7.1 Green Infrastructure Subcommittee
  - 7.2 Ecological Network Task Force
- 8. **QUESTION PERIOD**
- 9. **ROUNDTABLE**
- 10. ADJOURNMENT

Next Regular Meeting: November 9, 2022 Agenda Items Submission Deadline: October 26, 2022

# QUESTION PERIOD

Question Period provides the public with the opportunity to ask questions or make comments on subjects that are of concern to them. Each person will be given 2 minutes to speak.

Up to ten minutes in total is allotted for Question Period.



# City of Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

February 9, 2022 - Regular Meeting

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) held via Zoom teleconference on Wednesday, February 9, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Judy Dueck Council Liaison
Mark Adams Member at Large

Brian Clark Environmental Professional

Kirk Grayson Member at Large
Bill Hardy, Chair Member at Large
Jessie Lees, Vice Chair Member at Large

Janice Jarvis Environmental Professional

# **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rodney Stott Staff Liaison/Environmental Planner Amelia Bowden Planner 2

Mike McLean Committee Clerk

# **ABSENT**

Note: Councillor Judy Dueck chaired the meeting until a Chair was appointed for 2022.

**1. CALL TO ORDER** – 7:02 pm

#### APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-EAC-001

It was moved and seconded

That the February 9, 2022 Environmental Advisory Committee Regular Meeting agenda be approved as amended.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

### 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2022-EAC-002

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee Regular Meeting agenda dated November 17, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Note: Brian Clark joined the meeting at 7:04 pm.

#### 4. DELEGATIONS

# 4.1 Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan

Amelia Bowden, Planner 2, presented an overview of the Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan and explained the decision-making process. Topics included the metrics for evaluating the ratio of green space to development, architectural guidelines to include sequestration of carbon and the integration of area plans with larger development strategies.

Note: A. Bowden left the meeting at 7:51 pm.

#### 5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### 5.1. Welcome/Member Introductions

Committee members introduced themselves and described their backgrounds.

#### 5.2. Committee Orientation

The Staff Liaison provided a background of the Environmental Advisory Committee and the Committee Clerk presented an overview of Committee proceedings.

#### 5.3. Chair and Vice Chair Selection

The Committee selected Bill Hardy as Chair and Jessie Lees as Vice Chair for 2022.

R/2022-EAC-003

It was moved and seconded

That Bill Hardy be appointed as Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

R/2022-EAC-004

It was moved and seconded

That Jessie Lees be appointed as Vice Chair of the Environmental Advisory Committee for 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Note: Councillor Dueck left the meeting at 8:11 pm.

### 5.4. 2022 Meeting Schedule

The Committee approved the meeting schedule for 2022.

R/2022-EAC-005

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee approve the 2022 meeting schedule as amended to include an additional meeting in March.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 5.5. 2022 Work Plan

The Committee established the Green Infrastructure Network Mapping and Management Strategy Task Force and the Environmental Communications and Outreach Task Force to accomplish action items in the 2022 Work Plan.

#### R/2022-EAC-006

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee establish the Green Infrastructure Network Mapping and Management Strategy Task Force to develop a scoping report on the strategy and present the results at a regular meeting in 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R/2022-EAC-007

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee appoint Janice Jarvis, Jessie Lees and Mark Adams to the Green Infrastructure Network Mapping and Management Strategy Task Force for 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R/2022-EAC-008

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee establish the Environmental Communications and Outreach Task Force to provide opportunities for education and public engagement through a presentation series with various experts speaking about environmental-related topics, updates to municipal environmental website materials, community walking tours, use of innovative technologies and social media to share awareness and celebrate successes with update reports during regular meetings.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

R/2022-EAC-009

It was moved and seconded

That the Committee appoint Kirk Grayson and Brian Clark to the Environmental Communications and Outreach Task Force for 2022.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

### 6. LIAISON UPDATES

# 6.1. Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the following:

- Aquifer mapping to be considered by Council
- 2022 work schedule for the Committee
- 6.2. Council Liaison NIL
- 7. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE
- 7.1 Green Infrastructure Subcommittee NIL
- 8. QUESTION PERIOD NIL

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Members provided updates and reports on related environmental activities.

# **10. ADJOURNMENT** – 9:29 pm

The next regular meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday April 13, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Councillor Judy Dueck, Acting-Ch	nair
Bill Hardy, Chair	

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# City of Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

March 16, 2022 Special Meeting

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) held via Zoom teleconference on March 16, 2022 at 7:04 pm.

### **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Judy Dueck Council Liaison

Brian Clark Environmental Professional

Kirk Grayson Member at Large
Bill Hardy, Chair Member at Large
Jessie Lees, Vice Chair Member at Large

Janice Jarvis Environmental Professional

**STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT** 

Rodney Stott Staff Liaison/Environmental Planner

Mike McLean Committee Clerk

**ABSENT** 

Mark Adams Member at Large

1. CALL TO ORDER

### 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-EAC-010

It was moved and seconded

That the March 16, 2022 Environmental Advisory Committee Special Meeting agenda be approved as amended.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

Note: Dan Mikolay joined the meeting at 7:11 pm.

#### 3. DELEGATIONS

# 3.1 Dan Mikolay, WildsafeBC Coordinator

Dan Mikolay, WildsafeBC Coordinator provided an overview of ongoing efforts to reduce human/bear conflicts and minimizing the number of bears that are destroyed.

Note: Dan Mikolay left the meeting at 7:41 pm.

#### 4. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

#### 4.1. Ecological and Green Infrastructure Network Background Info & Next Steps Task Force

Rodney Stott, Environmental Planner 2 presented an overview of the Committee's highpriority items, which includes a scoping report and update to Council about the green infrastructure ecological network management strategy. The Staff Liaison discussed the role of the Green Infrastructure Subcommittee, the Green Infrastructure Network Mapping and Management Strategy Task Force and the Environmental Communications and Outreach Task Force.

### 4.2. Environmental Communications and Outreach Update & Next Steps Task Force

This item was dealt with in Item 4.1.

### 4.3. Green Infrastructure Task Force: Guest Speaker Series.

This item was dealt with in Item 4.1.

#### 4.4. Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan

The Staff Liaison summarized the results of recent initiatives to obtain feedback from Committee members about the Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan.

# 5. LIAISON UPDATES

#### 5.1. Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison described the current demands for planning and development services.

#### 5.2. Council Liaison

The Council Liaison provided an update on the following:

- Updates to COVID-19 policies and safety plans
- The arrival of the new General Manager, Parks, Recreation and Culture

#### 6. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

### 6.1 Green Infrastructure Subcommittee

This item was dealt with in Item 4.1.

# 7. QUESTION PERIOD - NIL

#### 8. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided updates and reports on related environmental activities.

# 9. ADJOURNMENT – 8:59 pm

Bill Hardy, Chair	



# City of Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

Wednesday, June 8, 2022 - Regular Meeting

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) held via Zoom teleconference and in the Blaney Room, Maple Ridge City Hall on June 8, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

# **COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT**

Councillor Judy Dueck Council Liaison
Mark Adams Member at Large

Brian Clark Environmental Professional

Kirk Grayson Member at Large
Bill Hardy, Chair Member at Large
Jessie Lees, Vice Chair Member at Large

Janice Jarvis Environmental Professional

# **STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT**

Rodney Stott Staff Liaison/Environmental Planner

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Russ Brummer Manager of Business Operations, Recreation &

**Community Engagement** 

Arsh Dhillon Committee Clerk

#### **ABSENT**

- **1. CALL TO ORDER** 7:02 pm
- 2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2022-EAC-011

It was moved and seconded

That the June 8, 2022 Environmental Advisory Committee Regular Meeting agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- 3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES NIL
- 4. DELEGATIONS
  - 4.1. Parks Master Plan Review Russ Brummer

R. Brummer, Manager of Business Operations, Recreation & Community Engagement, presented an overview of the Parks Master Plan and explained available tools and resources. Topics included an online crowd-sourcing map, local and provincial stakeholders, and holistic approaches to healthy connections with nature and the environment.

Note: C. Howes joined the meeting at 7:05 pm. Note: M. Adams joined the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Note: R. Brummer left the meeting at 7:12 pm.

#### 5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

# 5.1. EAC High Priority Short Term Action Items: Resolution on Next Steps

Note: R. Stott, Staff Liaison, discussed Items 5.1, 5.1.1, 5.1.2, 5.1.3, 5.1.4, 5.2 as a part of the presentation.

- 5.1.1. Ecological GI and Wildlife Connections Network Plan
- 5.1.2. Environmental Communications and Outreach
- 5.1.3. Natural Assets and GI Bio-Engineering Inventory
- 5.1.4. Education and Training for GI Urban Design

R. Stott, Staff Liaison, presented on the Green Infrastructure Implementation Strategy. Topics included an overview of the previous green infrastructure management strategy and process, proposed municipal green infrastructure implementation strategy, and the Environmental Advisory Committee short term high priority actions. The Environmental Advisory Committee discussed learning from the strengths, tools, and gaps of green infrastructure from other municipalities, institutions, and global organizations.

Note: Councillor J. Dueck joined the meeting at 7:53 pm.

Note: M. Adams left the meeting at 8:08 pm.

### 5.2. Municipal/Corporate Green Infrastructure Update and Next Steps

# 5.3. Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan

R. Stott, Staff Liaison, presented a brief overview of the Lougheed Transit Corridor Area Plan. The Environmental Advisory Committee discussed shared green infrastructure spaces. Topics included green infrastructure in dense population areas, changes in development permit guidelines to incorporate green infrastructure recommendations, and consideration of green infrastructure plans from other jurisdictions.

### 5.4. Port Haney Area Plan - Survey & Walkabout Tour EAC Feedback

R. Stott, Staff Liaison, provided information about the Survey. The Environmental Advisory Committee discussed participating in a future Walkabout.

### 6. LIAISON UPDATES

#### 6.1. Staff Liaison - NIL

#### 6.2. Council Liaison

Councillor Dueck provided an update on the following:

• Albion Community Centre's green infrastructure

### 7. SUBCOMMITTEE AND TASKFORCE UPDATES

### 7.1. Green Infrastructure Subcommittee - NIL

# 7.2. Ecological Network Taskforce

The Staff Liaison and J. Jarvis, Environmental Professional, provided an update on the work of the Ecological Network Subcommittee.

# 8. QUESTION PERIOD - NIL

# 9. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided updates on related environmental activities and statistics.

# **10. ADJOURNMENT** – 8:45 pm

The next regular meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday September 14, 2022 at 7:00 pm.

Bill Hardy, Chair	
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