

City of Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee (EAC) held via Zoom teleconference on May 26, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Judy Dueck

Bill Hardy, Chair

Jessie Lees, Vice Chair

Ross Davies

Dennis Kinsey

Simon Matthews

Council Liaison

Member at Large

Member at Large

Member at Large

Member at Large

Janice Jarvis Environmental Professional

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Rodney Stott Staff Liaison/Environmental Planner

Sabina Chand Committee Clerk, Legal and Legislative Services

GUEST

Anne Marie Whittaker Eco Plan International

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2021-005

It was moved and seconded

That the May 26, 2021 Environmental Advisory Committee agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2021-006

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee meeting dated April 14, 2021 be adopted as circulated.

CARRIED

4. DELEGATIONS

4.1 Green Infrastructure Strategy Overview - Anne Marie Whittaker, Eco Plan International

Anne Marie recapped the presentation from the December 9, 2020 EAC meeting and provided further details on the Green Infrastructure Strategy Plan. Highlights of the presentation included: creation of the roadmap to green infrastructure, project process/timeline, currently in Phase 3: EAC review/department review and details on next steps for Council review and adoption.

Following the presentation, the Committee asked the Staff Liaison to forward the draft Green Infrastructure background reports to members that will be reviewed by Council at the July 13, 2021 Workshop.

Note: Jessie Lees joined at 7:28 pm and left at 7:43 pm

5. NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5.1. 2022 Business Plan

The Staff Liaison advised the Committee of the annual business planning timeline and that the 2022 draft EAC Work Plan will be reviewed and endorsed by Council in the fall.

5.2. Environmental Professional Vacancy

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the Environmental Professional vacancy for the EAC membership and advised members to refer candidates for 2022 membership recruitment this fall.

6. LIAISON UPDATES

6.1. Staff Liaison

The Staff Liaison provided an update on the upcoming Green Infrastructure Subcommittee speaker series presentations and noted that the recorded sessions will be forwarded to the Committee.

6.2. Council Liaison

Councillor Dueck provided update on the following:

- Strategic Transportation Plan public engagement survey was sent to EAC via email
- Building Service Review currently in progress and working with a consultant
- COVID-19 City safety protocols

Note: Anne Marie left at 7:57 pm

7. SUBCOMMITTEE UPDATE

7.1 Green Infrastructure Subcommittee

The Chair noted that the ongoing presentations for the Green Infrastructure speaker series will continue and the meeting information will be shared with the Committee shortly.

8. QUESTION PERIOD

Kirk Grayson, Member of the Public, inquired to the creation of the design charette referenced in the Green Infrastructure Strategy presentation to which the Staff Liaison replied that various stakeholders and experts are brought together to compile the design and final feedback is provided by Council.

9. ROUNDTABLE

Members provided updates and reports on related environmental activities and events.

10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:08 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee will be held on Wednesday September 8, 2021 at 7:00 pm.

Bill Hardy, Chair