

City of Maple Ridge
ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE
MEETING MINUTES

The Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee, held in the
Blaney Room at Maple Ridge City Hall, 11995 Haney Place, Maple Ridge, British Columbia,
on September 11, 2019 at 7:07 pm

COMMITTEE MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Judy Dueck	Council Liaison
Leanne Koehn, Chair	Ridge Meadows Recycling Society
Jessie Lees, Vice Chair	Member at Large – Youth Representative
David Neufeld	Environmental Professional
Dennis Kinsey	Member at Large
Gerry Pinel	Community Education on Environment and Development Centre (CEED)
Janice Jarvis	Environmental Professional
Ross Davies	Kanaka Education and Environmental Partnership Society (KEEPS)

GUESTS

Councillor Ryan Svendsen	Council Liaison - Alternate
Martin Dmitrieff	CEED - Alternate

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT

Rodney Stott	Staff Liaison / Environmental Planner
Erin Mark	Acting Committee Clerk

ABSENT

Betty Von Hardenberg	Thornhill Aquifer Protection Study group (TAPS)
Cheryl Ashlie	Alouette River Management Society
Sara Barron	Member at Large

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

R/2019-010

It was moved and seconded

That the September 11, 2019 Environmental Advisory Committee agenda be approved as circulated.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF THE MINUTES

R/2019-011

It was moved and seconded

That the minutes of the Maple Ridge Environmental Advisory Committee meeting dated June 12, 2019 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. **DELEGATIONS** - Nil

5. **NEW AND UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

5.1. **Municipal Advisory Committee Policy and Bylaw Update & Next Steps**

Councillor Dueck provided an update on the Advisory Committee Review currently underway. The Committee discussed the upcoming changes to the membership structure of the EAC. Councillor Dueck confirmed that the EAC's overarching mandate of implementing the Environmental Management Strategy will remain a priority.

5.2. **Green Infrastructure Scoping Report**

The staff liaison provided a draft copy of the 2019 Green Infrastructure Scoping Report to attendees and delivered a related Green Infrastructure presentation. The Committee provided feedback on the Scoping Report and presentation.

Note: Councillor Svendsen left the meeting at 8:00pm.

6. **STAFF LIAISON UPDATES**

6.1. **An Overview: Environmental Advisory Committee – Action Items 2017-2019**

The staff liaison provided an overview of the ongoing work of the EAC and its subcommittees and the related timelines:

- Municipal Advisory Committee Business Plans and Incremental Packages – Fall of 2019
- Tentative Council Matrix Dates:
 - October 8, 2019 – Tree Bylaw review and questionnaire for Permit Stakeholders
 - November 12, 2019 – Green Infrastructure Scoping Report
 - November 26, 2019 – Aquifer Mapping Update and OCP Amendment
 - First Quarter of 2020 – Communications Strategy Scoping Report
 - Second Quarter of 2020 – Ecological Network Management Strategy Scoping Report

6.2. **A Regional Perspective: Metro Vancouver RPEAC Environment Policy & Strategic Plans**

This item will be moved to a future agenda.

7. **CORRESPONDENCE**

7.1 **Upcoming Events**

September 21, 2019 10:00 am – 2:00 pm	GETI Fest & Maple Ridge Repair Café Memorial Peace Park, Maple Ridge Info: gearsti.org
September 22, 2019 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	World Rivers Day Kanaka Creek Regional Park - Riverfront, Maple Ridge Info: keeps.org
September 22, 2019 11:00 am – 3:00 pm	World Rivers Day Allco Park Info: alouetteriver.org
October 1, 2019 7:00 pm – 9:00 pm	Federal Election – All Candidates Meeting: Environment Issues Ridge Meadows Seniors Society Looking for volunteers, please speak to Leanne Koehn.
October 7 - 11, 2019	Eco-City World Summit Vancouver Convention Centre West Info: ecocity2019.com
October 10, 2019 1:00 pm	Earth Day 2020 Planning Meeting Maple Ridge Library (Alouette Room)
October 21 - 27, 2019	Waste Reduction Week
October 26, 2019 11:00 am – 2:00 pm	Maple Ridge Repair Café Maple Ridge Library, 22470 Dewdney Trunk Rd Info: mrrepaircafe.ca
October 30 - 31, 2019	Metro Vancouver Zero Waste Conference Vancouver Convention Centre East Organizer: Metro Vancouver

8. **ROUNDTABLE**

Members provided updates and reports on environmental activities.

9. **ADJOURNMENT** – 8:45pm

~Original signed by L. Koehn~
L. Koehn, Chair

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