

Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Minutes  
February 7, 2018 -7:00 pm  
Committee Room One  
Whitby Municipal Building

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**Present:** Dave Ashton  
Stephan Barg  
Lindsay Beyger, Vice-Chair  
Cylma Foxton  
Rebecca McHolm  
Cameron Richardson, Chair  
Jane Snyder

**Also Present:** Aimee Pugao, Planner II  
Meaghan Craven, Staff Liaison, Senior Planner - Sustainability  
Shrishma Dave, Legislative Coordinator (Recording Secretary)

**Regrets:** Nestor Chornobay  
Paul Davidson  
Costanzo D'Angelo  
Miranda Paulter  
Caitlin Rochon

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The meeting began at 7:05 p.m.

1. Disclosures of Interest
  - 1.1 There were no disclosures of interest.

2. Approval of Previous Minutes
  - 2.1 Minutes - January 10, 2018

Recommendation:

Moved By Jane Snyder

That the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee minutes of January 10, 2018 be approved.

**Carried**

3. Presentations/Deputations

3.1 There were no presentations or deputations.

4. General Business and Reports

4.1 2017 Annual Report

Recommendation:

Moved By Stephan Barg

That the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee's 2017 Annual Report be approved and submitted to the Town for inclusion on the next Planning and Development Committee agenda.

**Carried**

4.2 2018 Work Plan

Discussion ensued with respect to:

- Determining the two workshops that WSAC would be sponsoring, being Pollinators and Rain Garden workshops, their dates and timing;
- Working on the interpretative signage for the Town Hall garden by utilizing an external contact who had the content for the signs available;
- Determining the design of the interpretative signage;
- Confirming that the Town Hall Garden will be a part of the 2018 Garden Tour;
- The committee's involvement in the Downtown Cleanup and working with the Downtown Whitby Development Steering Committee on the project;
- Changing the location of the Downtown Cleanup from the Old Firehall Site to Whitby Central Library;
- The possibility of doing a Plant Sale in conjunction with the Brooklin Horticultural Society in order to support Bee City and Monarch Pledge activities;
- Developing engagement activities and encouraging community educators and students to plant milkweed or nectar plants;
- Creating a social media strategy to disseminate information about the Bee City and Monarch Pledge through the Town's social media channels; and
- Developing partnerships with the Whitby Youth Council and the

Whitby Community Beautification Committee to support monarch butterfly conservation.

**4.3** 2017/18 WSAC Budget Staff Update

Meaghan Craven advised that although no spending had taken place as of February, she did foresee costs for booking the Pollinators and Rain Garden workshops, which would amount to approximately \$175 each. Additionally, there would be costs related to printing any material related to pollinators for the WSAC booths.

Discussion ensued about using some of the budget funds to attend workshops or training on the impact of salt on the waterways, or other regional workshops related to sustainability matters.

**4.4** Youth Council Update

There was no Youth Council update.

**4.5** Whitby Library Update

There was no Whitby Library update.

**4.6** Whitby Community Beautification Committee Update

There was no Whitby Community Beautification Committee update.

**5.** Correspondence

**5.1** There was no correspondence.

**6.** Council Update

**6.1** Councillor Emm was not in attendance. Therefore, there was no Council update.

**7.** Other Business

**7.1** Aimee Pugao distributed the Taunton North Community Homeowners' Environmental Guide and advised that a similar document could be created for the future homeowners of Brooklin's new developments. She inquired about any assistance that the Committee could provide with the creation of the Brooklin Environmental Guide. Discussion ensued about deferring the Committee's involvement in this project until the new term of Council, and providing assistance in creating an outline for the guide

during the present term. The Committee also suggested that the Brooklin Guide be available in paper and electronic format, and be available at the Brooklin Library.

- 7.2** Meaghan Craven advised that she had received information about the Durham Environmental Advisory Committee's Annual Awards nominations and would forward the information to the Committee. Discussion ensued about the possibility of nominating someone for the awards.

**8. Next Meeting**

- 8.1** Wednesday March 7, 2018 - 7:00 p.m.  
Committee Room 1, Whitby Municipal Building

**9. Adjournment**

- 9.1** Motion to Adjourn

Recommendation:

Moved By Cylma Foxton

That the meeting adjourn.

**Carried**

The meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

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Shrishma Dave, Legislative Coordinator

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Cameron Richardson, Committee Chair