

Present: Adel Abdollahzadeh
Beatrice Adesemowo (arrived at 7:15 p.m.)
Paige Bolahood
Margaret Christine Castle
Gayle Giesbrecht
Stacey Kerr
Stuart Livingstone
Miranda Pautler
Deborah McCord
Judy Rivers

Also Present: Regional Councillor Yamada, Mayor's Designate
Maria McDonnell, Manager, Sustainability, Heritage, Downtown and
Community Development
Jodi Janwin, Staff Liaison, Energy Conservation Officer
Heather Oerlemans, Council and Committee Coordinator
(Recording Secretary)

Regrets: Melanie Maloney

1. Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

- 1.1 The Committee was advised that the appointment for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee for the January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019 term would take place at this time.

Jodi Janwin called for nominations for the position of Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Deborah McCord nominated Miranda Pautler for the position of Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Miranda Pautler accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed.

Jodi Janwin called for nominations for the position of Vice-Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Gayle Giesbrecht nominated Adel Abdollahzadeh for the position of Vice-Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee.

Adel Abdollahzadeh accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed.

Recommendation:

Moved By Deborah McCord

That Miranda Pautler be appointed Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Committee for a term ending on December 31, 2019.

Carried

Recommendation:

Moved By Gayle Giesbrecht

That Adel Abdollahzadeh be appointed Vice-Chair of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee for a term ending December 31, 2019.

Carried

Miranda Pautler assumed the Chair.

2. Disclosures of Interest

2.1 There were no disclosures of interest.

3. Approval of Previous Minutes

3.1 Minutes - June 6, 2018

Recommendation:

Moved By Miranda Pautler

That the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee minutes of June 6,

2018 be approved.

Carried

4. Presentations

4.1 There were no presentations.

5. Delegations

5.1 There were no delegations.

6. General Business and Reports

6.1 Introduction to the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee and the Committee's Terms of Reference

Jodi Janwin advised that the composition of the Committee included voting, non-voting and contributing stakeholder members. She provided an overview of the three focus areas contained within the mandate including education, awareness and advice.

6.2 Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Representative Appointment

Whitby in Bloom

Jodi Janwin called for nominations for the appointment of the Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Representative for the Whitby in Bloom Committee.

Judy Rivers nominated Stacey Kerr for the position of Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Representative.

Stacey Kerr accepted the nomination.

There were no further nominations and the nominations were closed.

Recommendation:

Moved By Judy Rivers

That Stacey Kerr be appointed Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Representative for the Whitby in Bloom Committee for a term ending December 31, 2019.

Carried

6.3 Sustainability and Energy Management Progress Report 2017-2018

Jodi Janwin provided a detailed review of the Sustainability and Energy Management Progress Report 2017-2018. Highlights of the review included:

- Whitby's designation as a Bee City;
- the Mayor's Monarch Pledge commitments;
- the Serenity Garden at Whitby Town Hall;
- sustainable development standards; and,
- energy consumption reports for Town-owned buildings.

A brief discussion ensued regarding how the Committee could improve upon these initiatives and promote energy saving throughout the Community.

6.4 Whitby Sustainability Advisory Committee Work Plan

Maria McDonnell provided an overview of the 2015-2018 Whitby Sustainability Work Plan and requested that the Committee be prepared to discuss ideas for the current Work Plan at the April 3, 2019 meeting. She advised that the Work Plan should reflect the Committee's mandate and align with Council's Goals.

6.5 Whitby Sustainable Design Guidelines Update

Maria McDonnell provided an update regarding the Guidelines and advised that the consultant reviewed best practices and policy context to develop a set of guidelines that could include:

- implementation of financial incentives for compliance;
- community improvement plans for loans and grants;
- expedited approval processes for exemplary sustainability projects;
- increase in density and/or height of buildings;
- a reduction of parkland dedication requirements or alternative forms of open space for parkland; and,
- the creation of a recognition program such as sustainable design awards.

6.6 Downtown Whitby Spring Clean-Up - April 13, 2019

Jodi Janwin advised that the Downtown Whitby Spring Clean-Up event would take place at Celebration Square from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and that the Town would provide gloves, bags, and refreshments.

Jodi Janwin advised that the Whitby Public Library would be hosting the "How-to in 10" (learn a new skill in 10 minutes) event on the same day as the Whitby Spring Clean-Up event.

A brief discussion ensued regarding ways to quantify the amount of refuse collected during the Spring Clean-Up and methods for separating recyclables from regular waste.

7. Correspondence

7.1 Durham Integrated Growers (DIG) - Save the Date
["Resilient Communities, Regenerative Landscapes: An Urban Agriculture Symposium"](#)

Jodi Janwin provided information regarding the "Resilient Communities, Regenerative Landscapes: An Urban Agriculture Symposium" event hosted by Durham Integrated Growers. She advised that the tickets for the event were \$25, and that the event would take place on Saturday, March 30, 2019 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:15 p.m. at the W. Galen Weston Centre for Food in Whitby.

8. Council Update

- 8.1 Regional Councillor Yamada provided updates regarding:
- the Rebranding of the Town's logo;
 - Council's support for a year-round active transportation network;
 - concerns raised by the community regarding the height of the proposed development at Carnwith Street and Thickson Road and the direction to Staff to report back on a planning policy or approach to support matching of height between proposed and abutting existing residential uses; and,
 - Council approval of the Capital and Operating Budgets on February 19, 2019.

9. Other Business

9.1 Paper Copy Agendas

Deborah McCord requested that the Committee no longer receive paper copies of the agendas at meetings. The Committee agreed that paper copies were not in alignment with the Committee's mandate.

10. Next Meeting

10.1 Wednesday, April 3, 2019 - 7:00 p.m.

Committee Room One, Whitby Municipal Building
575 Rossland Road East

11. Adjournment

11.1 Motion to Adjourn

Recommendation:

Moved By Gayle Giesbrecht

That the meeting adjourn.

Carried

The meeting adjourned at 8:29 p.m.

H. Oerlemans, Council and Committee
Coordinator

M. Pautler, Committee Chair