



**Meeting of the  
Environmental Advisory Committee  
May 12<sup>th</sup> 2010, at 6:30 p.m.**

**The following were in attendance:**

Council: David Barrick

Staff: Chris Lee

Public Members: Gregg Furtney  
Norbert Gieger  
Jack Hellinga  
Beth Palma  
Lorne White

Regrets: Barbara Butters  
Bea Kenny

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**1. Call to Order**

Chair Beth Palma called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**2. Approval / Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**

Moved by Jack Hellinga  
Seconded by David Barrick

That the April 14<sup>th</sup> minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee be accepted as written.

CARRIED.

**3. Earth Day Clean-Up – David Barrick**

David Barrick provided a brief report on the Earth Day Clean-Up event and thanked everyone involved.

**4. Tree Planting Rebate Program Update**

Schools will be notified that they may make application to the committee for trees, stating type and quantity, by June 4/ 2010 for fall planting. The applications received will be discussed at the next meeting. Some community groups have already approached the City and will also be submitting applications.

**5. Toilet Rebate Program Update**

96 2009 toilet rebate applications have been received so far.

**6. Renting Roof Space for Solar Panels**

City staff are currently considering locations suitable for roof solar panels. The committee discussed roof panel installs. The Ontario Power Authority website was referred as the next step.

Moved by Beth Palma  
Seconded by Norbert Gieger

That the Council of the City of Port Colborne be requested to explore renewable photo-voltaic energy installs on all available facilities and properties.  
CARRIED.

**7. New Business**

**Tree Cutting Bylaw**

Jack Hellinga inquired about the City tree cutting Bylaw. Chris Lee advised that current policy states that for every tree removed from City lands, two will be planted as a replacement. The committee decided to gather additional information and discuss possible revisions/suggestions at a future meeting.

**Humberstone Shoe Park Commemorative Garden**

Katimavik submitted a proposal for a Commemorative Garden at Humberstone Shoe Park.

Moved by Norbert Gieger  
Seconded by Lorne White

That \$150.00 from the Environmental Initiatives Budget be donated to Katimavik for the Humberstone Shoe Park Commemorative Garden.  
CARRIED.

The committee requests that City Council petition Katimavik to return to Port Colborne in the future.

**Rain Barrels**

A request was made for a link on the City website to Rainbarrel.ca. Staff will investigate this website and options will be discussed further at a future meeting.

**8. Next Meeting Date, Adjourn**

The next committee meeting will be on June 9, 2010.

Moved by David Barrick  
Seconded by Jack Hellinga

That with no further business to discuss the meeting be adjourned.  
CARRIED.