



**Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee  
City Hall Library  
February 10<sup>th</sup> 2010, at 6:30 p.m.**

**The following were in attendance:**

Council: David Barrick  
Barbara Butters  
Bea Kenny

Staff: Janice Peyton  
John White

Public Members: Norbert Geiger  
Jack Hellinga  
Beth Palma  
Paul Ruzycki  
Lorne White

Also in attendance were interested members of Katimavik.

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**1. Call to Order**

Chair Kenny called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m.

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

Moved by Beth Palma  
Seconded by Jack Hellinga

That the January 13<sup>th</sup> minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee be accepted as written.

CARRIED.

**3. Toilet Rebate Program Update**

John White advised that 68 rebate applications have been processed so far.

**4. Tree Planting Program Update**

Draft details of the Tree Planting Rebate Program were provided. "First come first served" will be added to the bullets on page 2. John White advised that the application for the tree planting rebate will be similar to the application for the toilet rebate.

## **5. Budget**

2010 funds have been allocated for no-idling signs, provided the budget is approved. Chris Lee will decide how many signs are necessary. 8 signs @ \$125.00 each (\$1000) has been estimated by committee members.

## **6. ECO Weekend**

Chair Kenny advised that 2010 budget funds could not be allocated to the ECO Weekend as the 2010 budget has not yet been approved, however, the committee can consider allocating the \$700. balance of the 2009 budget to this event. Committee members advised that the “ECO Buzz” event would be beneficial to the citizens of Port Colborne as it would promote awareness of the environment and provide information of ECO Programs that are available. Katimavik members provided information regarding the activities planned for the event which will be held on March 20<sup>th</sup> at the Guild Hall/Hub. Some of the activities planned are:

- ▶ Free cycling of clothing or other useful items
- ▶ Volunteer speakers
- ▶ Workshops
- ▶ Booths for local businesses
- ▶ The Hub – free
- ▶ Crafts for kids
- ▶ Recycling Monster for kids

The committee suggested offering a computer exchange and possibly contacting International Marine Salvage, as they recycle batteries, cell phones etc.

Barbara Butters and Lorne White will be the committee contacts for this event.

Members of the committee thanked Katimavik for their efforts in organizing this event.

Moved by Jack Hellinga  
Seconded by David Barrick

That up to \$700 of the 2009 EAC budget be allocated to the Katimavik Eco Buzz event.  
CARRIED.

Janice Peyton will issue a cheque request payable to Rasheeda Ali, Katimavik Project Leader. Bea Kenny asked that Katimavik keep record of all expenses related to the \$700.

Lorne White advised that himself and some members of Katimavik will be attending the ECO Conference in Hamilton on February 21, 2010.

**7. New Business**

Bea was asked to mention that the tree planting rebate program will be coming soon at the next Council meeting.

The toilet rebate program will be advertised in the next City Hall Newsletter.

**8. Next Meeting Date, Adjourn**

The next committee meeting will be on March 10, 2010.

Moved by David Barrick  
Seconded by Norbert Geiger

That with no further business to discuss the meeting be adjourned at 7:25 p.m.