



**Meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee
City Hall Library
April 23, 2008, at 6:30 p.m.**

The following were in attendance:

Council: David Barrick (Chair)
Bea Kenny

Staff: Chris Lee
Janice Peyton

Members: Paul Ruzycki
Lorne White
Beth Palma

Regrets: Councillor Barbara Butters
Gregg Furtney
Domenic D'Amico
Jack Hellinga (Vice Chair)

Guests: Julia Forsythe – New Ward 3 resident
Welland Conservation Committee member

1. Call to Order

Chair David Barrick provided opening remarks.

2. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were reviewed.

Moved by Bea Kenny
Seconded by Paul Ruzycki

That the April 2nd, 2008 minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee be accepted as written.

CARRIED.

3. Logos & Slogans - Beth Palma

Beth Palma provided logos and slogans that had been submitted by elementary school students. It was decided that the design of the logos and slogans be open to the public with an ad in the local newspaper and on the City website.

4. Long/short term objectives

Committee members identified the following objectives:

Short-term objectives:

- Rain barrel distribution
- Public education campaign
- High school representatives
- Home energy audits
- Low-flow toilets
- Incentives for front load washers
- Lawn audits

Long-term objectives:

- Increase diversion/recycling rate
- Wind turbines (offshore)
- Establish a City green (environmental) fund
- Solar panels on City buildings

5. Rain barrels

The committee decided that approximately 350 rain barrels would be ordered for a distribution date of the beginning of June at a cost to residents of \$25 ea.

6. New items

Chris Lee is to report back as to when the Elm St. Landfill will be closing.

7. Next Meeting Date

Wednesday, May 28th at 6:30 p.m.

8. Adjourn

With no further business to discuss the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.