



**Meeting of the
Environmental Advisory Committee
May 4th 2011, 6:00 p.m.**

The following were in attendance:

Council: Barbara Butters
Bea Kenny

Staff: Janice Peyton

Public Members: Beth Palma
Curt Benson
Jack Hellinga
Vanessa Sijm
Chris Ventura

Regrets: Yvon Doucet (illness)
Paul Ruzycki (away)
Chris Lee (vacation)

1. Call to Order

Chair Bea Kenny called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Introduction of New Committee Member

New committee member Vanessa Sijm was introduced and welcomed to the committee.

3. Approval / Review of Previous Meeting Minutes

Moved by Beth Palma
Seconded by Barbara Butters

That the minutes of March 2nd, 2011 be accepted as written.
CARRIED.

Barb asked that the design of an Earth Day flag be on the agenda for September and that funds be set aside for this initiative.

4. Scoring Community Environment Fund Applications

Bea advised of the scoring process for the Community Environment Fund Applications. The final scores have been emailed to the Program Manager for the EDC Community Environment Fund and Bea will advise of the final outcome.

5. Rebate Program Update

\$450.00 (9 rebates) is remaining in the low flow toilet rebate program.

\$3752.61 is remaining in the tree planting rebate program. \$247.39 in tree rebates (8 rebates) has been processed to date.

Bea will mention the tree planting rebate program at the next Council meeting. Venessa offered to make a flyer that could be posted at the local greenhouses. Janice will email the flyer to all committee members for approval before distribution.

6. New / Other Business

A spring clean-up was discussed, possibly on June 4th. Details will be discussed with Chris Lee at the next meeting.

Community Garden

Moved by B. Butters

Seconded by J. Hellinga

That a community garden be an initiative of the EAC for 2011.

CARRIED.

Curtis and Barb will look into this further and report back at the next meeting. Barb will contact Community Living to see if it would be possible to have a community garden on the property at the corner of Fielden Avenue and Main Street.

Marina Feasibility Study for Wind, Solar and Gray Water

Moved by C. Ventura

Seconded by C. Benson

That Council be asked to approve a feasibility study on wind, solar and grey water at the Marina.

CARRIED.

Prior to approaching Council regarding a feasibility study, Chris Ventura will approach the Marina Manager regarding alternative power.

Litter Free City Signs

Moved by B. Palma

Seconded by B. Butters

That \$1,000.00 of the 2011 Environmental Initiatives budget be used for signs regarding littering (Litter Free City, No Littering etc.).

CARRIED.

Members were asked to review the EAC Terms of Reference for discussion at the next meeting.

Status of the “No Idling” signs and LED lighting for the City Hall cupola will be discussed at the next meeting.

7. Next Meeting Date, Adjourn

The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 1st.

A meeting start time of 4:30 p.m. was proposed, however this was not workable for all members. The meetings will continue to start at 6:00 p.m.

Moved by Beth Palma
Seconded by Jack Hellinga

That with no further business to discuss the meeting be adjourned at 7:20 p.m.
CARRIED.