

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING OF THE
ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY
BOWEN COMPLEX CONFERENCE ROOM
500 BOWEN ROAD
WEDNESDAY, 2015-JUN-10, AT 4:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Gail Adrienne, Chair

Members: Daniel Appell
Councillor Diane Brennan (*arrived at 4:46 p.m.*)
Colin Brown
Richard Finnegan
Glenda Hunter
Calvin Tant (*arrived at 5:02 p.m.*)
Wally Wells

Staff: Richard Harding, Director, Parks, Recreation and Environment
Rob Lawrance, Environmental Planner
Kevin Brydges, Environmental Bylaw Enforcement Officer
Robin Tweed, Recording Secretary

REGRETS: Emil Bock

1. **CALL THE OPEN MEETING TO ORDER:**

The regular meeting was called to order at 4:33 p.m.

2. **INTRODUCTION OF LATE ITEMS:**

- Staff requested that a portion of Item 8.(c) "Plant Awareness Month" be deferred to the 2015-JUL-08 meeting.

3. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA:**

It was moved and seconded that the Agenda as amended be adopted. The motion carried unanimously.

4. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES:**

It was moved and seconded that the Minutes of the Regular Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability meeting held Wednesday, 2015-MAY-13 at 4:39 p.m. in the Bowen Complex Conference Room be adopted as circulated. The motion carried unanimously.

5. **PRESENTATIONS:**

- (a) Phil Stewart, Manager Engineering Projects – regarding an update of the Manual of Engineering Standards and Specifications Section 7 (Stormwater Management).

It was moved and seconded that the presentation be received. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Iona Kearns, Environmental Impact Assessment Student Biologist, Ministry of Environment, and, Kevin Brydges, Environmental Bylaw Enforcement Officer – regarding the Green Lake Water Quality Assessment Report.

It was moved and seconded that the presentation be received. The motion carried unanimously.

6. **CHAIR'S REPORT:**

- (a) Setting meeting time limits.

Discussion was held regarding setting a maximum time limit for ACES meetings. It was felt that there was no need to formalize this; however, members were requested to be mindful of the clock in order to ensure that all agenda items are addressed in a timely fashion.

A motion to the effect of setting a meeting time limit failed as it was not seconded.

7. **STAFF REPORTS:**

- (a) **The Blue Dot Project & The Declaration on the Right to a Healthy Environment - Rob Lawrance, Environmental Planner**

It was moved and seconded that the Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability recommend that Council endorse the declaration of "The Right To A Healthy Environment", as amended by Appendix A. The motion carried unanimously.

8. **STAFF REPORTS (Information Only):**

- (a) The 2015 Green Nanaimo Awards. Review of draft timeline, application, and confirmation of the awards ceremony date.
- (b) Announcement: Vancouver Island Sustainable Technology Expo. 2015-JUN-24, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Coast Bastion Inn, Nanaimo, B.C. Details at the following link:
<http://pics.uvic.ca/events/vancouver-island-sustainable-technology-expo>

- (c) Bike to Work Week.
- (d) Environmental Services Monthly Report – May 2015.

It was moved and seconded that the Information Only reports be received. The motion carried unanimously.

9. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

- (a) E-mail dated 2015-MAY-22 from the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives (ICLEI) Canada advising of the launch of the biodiversity handbook, "*BiodiverCITIES: A Handbook for Municipal Biodiversity Planning and Management*".

It was moved and seconded that the correspondence be received. The motion carried unanimously.

10. **NOTICE OF MOTION:**

11. **OTHER BUSINESS:**

- (a) Discussion on ACER (Awareness of Climate Change through Education and Research) delegation on the "Our Horizon" initiative (*background material attached*).

It was moved and seconded that Item 11.(a), the discussion on the 2015-MAY-13 ACER presentation, be deferred to the 2015-JUL-08 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

- (b) Keighly Creek Retaining Wall – Chair Adrienne.

It was moved and seconded that Item 11.(b), the matter regarding the Keighly Creek Retaining Wall, be deferred to the 2015-JUL-08 meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

12. **DELEGATIONS NOT RELATED TO A REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE:** (None.)

13. **QUESTION PERIOD:** (*No questions.*)

14. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM PRESENTATIONS AND DELEGATIONS:** (None.)

15. **ADJOURNMENT:**

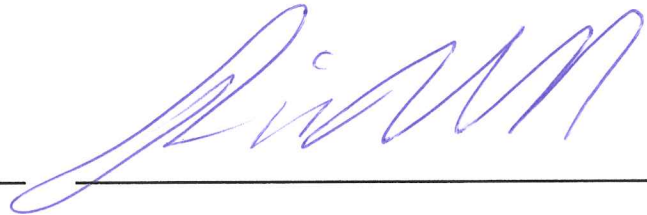
It was moved and seconded at 6:52 p.m. that the meeting adjourn. The motion carried unanimously.

APPROVED AS READ:

APPROVED FOR DISTRIBUTION:



Gail Adrienne, Chair
Advisory Committee on Environmental Sustainability



Richard Harding, Director
Parks, Recreation and Environment

CERTIFIED BY:

Corporate Officer
City of Nanaimo