

CPEAC Meeting | MINUTES

October 5, 2020 | 6:30pm | Meeting location via Zoom

Meeting called by Dena Comely (Chair)

Type of meeting Committee Meeting

Facilitator

Secretary Tracy Kwissa

Present: Dena Comely, Tracy Kwissa, Bill Slade, Jeff Atkinson, Jack Havel, Randy Martin, Colin MacDuff, Jamie DeBaie,

Regrets: Natalika Culhane, Kyle McCulloch

Meeting called to Order at 6:31 pm

Bill introduced Myrna from Drummond/North Elmsley. She is interested in forming an EAC and would like to observe our meetings for her own information. Myrna is part of the Green energy and Climate Change Action Committee which has been formed to support Lanark County with their Climate Action Plan. Myrna lives on Otty Lake and she has witnessed the lake deteriorating over the years and she wants to do something to stop it. She is also against roadside spraying of Wild Parsley.

Approval of Minutes from September 14, 2020 meeting, including Motion to Council. Motion to Approve by Bill, Seconded by Jack.

*The motion to Council is regarding the proposed Green Document be included in the Development Package that the Planning Department gives to prospective developers.

AGENDA TOPICS

Time allotted 15 minutes | 6:40 pm | **Agenda topic** Updates from Group | **Presenter** Colin MacDuff

Colin had a radio interview with Lake 88.1 regarding the new Anti-Idling Bylaw. There will be a Press release with pictures of the new signs being put up by the Town. The proposed Colouring Contest has been cancelled as there was only one school interested so there is not enough interest to move forward with this. Data collection regarding anti-idling is also not possible currently as there are no student volunteers available due to COVID-19. Colin spoke with Amanda at the Town and she is helping with the poster design. Both the Chamber of Commerce and the BIA have agreed to put up these information posters around town. So far, there have been four Anti-Idling signs put up at CPHS. More signs will be going up at the CP Pool, the Arena and other public Town properties. Schools in CP all have their signs, and they will be put up as soon as possible.

Action items**Person responsible** **Deadline**

None

Time allotted 15 minutes | 6:55 pm | **Agenda topic** OP Review | **Presenter** Kyle McCulloch

Kyle was not present; however, he will upload his notes to the Google Drive in a document for the Committee to review.

Action items**Person responsible** **Deadline**

Upload Notes

Kyle M

Time allotted 15 minutes | 7:00 pm | **Agenda topic** Climate Change Action Plan | **Presenter** Bill Slade

This Plan does not look at Urban and Rural challenges and does not look at issues that will directly affect Towns. Gordon Harrison (Climate Action Network) has proposed a plan that has been sent to County Council and is seeking funding to hire staff (actual scientists, not just University interns) It has been suggested that a Committee be formed that reports directly to County Council and holds them accountable.

Action items**Person responsible** **Deadline**

None

Time allotted 15 minutes | 7:15 | **Agenda topic** Composting Videos | **Presenter** Dena Comely

There has been a request from the Town for composting videos. CPEAC would like to support this initiative. CPEAC will make the video and the Town will promote it. October is not the best time to encourage people to start composting. Spring is a much better and more suitable time of year for beginners. The videos will include: Instructions, Dos and Don'ts, how to get started, what kind of composter is best, what goes in a composter.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Make video	TBD	Spring 2021

Time allotted 15 minutes | 7:30 | Agenda topic Green Bins | Presenter Jeff Atkinson

The waste management contract does have the option to begin composting collection. To find out how much interest there is in this service, a survey about Green Bins could be conducted. We need to know who is willing to have compost curbside pickup, how much would people be willing to pay for this service, would they support an increase in their property taxes to support this program.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
Develop survey questions to go out to residents via Social Media	Tracy	TBD

Time allotted 15 minutes | 7:45 | Agenda topic Council Update | Presenter Jeff Atkinson

There will be a public meeting in October regarding the permit amendments for 150 Mill Street. The Town would like input from residents.

There has been a lot of concern vocalized about tree removal on Colman near Bodnar Park. Trees that are not healthy or are not “valuable” trees are being removed, however they will be replaced with healthy trees. This practice was approved long ago by previous Councils and there is nothing that can be done to stop the removal of the trees, but residents can rest assured that the trees will be replaced. All new developments will be landscaped and have healthy trees planted.

Action items	Person responsible	Deadline
None		

Motion to adjourn meeting by Jack Havel. Seconded by Colin MacDuff.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 pm