The Town of Carleton Place Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Carleton Place Public Library Monday March 25th, 2024 - 6:30p.m.



Members Present: Laura Cupper, Colin MacDuff, Anne Raine, Jessey Rice, Bill Slade, Derek Trevorrow, Jeff Atkinson.

Guests:

Regrets: Barb Purdy, Jeremy Scott

1.Call to Order

6:30

2. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Bill, seconded by Anne. All in favour.

3. Declaration of Pecuniary/Conflict of Interest and General Nature Thereof

None

4. Approval of Minutes - CPEAC Minutes from March 4th, 2024 meeting.

Moved by Anne, seconded by Derek. All in favour.

Jessey Rice, new committee member introduced himself and was welcomed.

5. Naturalizing Sub-Committee Update

Laura reported that Joanne Henderson, Manager of Recreation and Culture, CP is in favour of a Naturalizing pilot project. She has spoken with Rowland Cave Brown Cave, Planning and Development Manager from Belleville. There have been 202 hectares naturalized in Belleville and Rowland is happy to share information with Joanne. Possible sites for naturalization could include: the rear portion of Carambeck, Junction Park, the Snow Dump.

Okelee Park, Sonnenburg Woods and G.E. Findlay Park are considered to be naturalized. Joanne suggested that more could be done there, for example: signage.

The Naturalizing subcommittee met on March 18, 2024 and is considering possible sites where there would be reasonable visibility. Sponsors to assist with funding will be sought. Planting would ideally include the community; particularly children.

<u>Action</u>: Laura to meet again with the Naturalization Committee, determine a site, discuss with Joanne Henderson and then Council will need to be approached with a proposal.

6. EarthFest & Art Contest Update

Colin is investigating a Shelter Tent. Barb will assess how many tents are needed as well as benches and then, approach Rental Village. CNL and Just Good Compost will handle recycling, compost. Sarah Coulber with the Canadian Wildlife Federation will provide a Pollinator Game for Children.

<u>Action</u>: Barb is completing an ad for Community Voice and seeing if tables are available from the Farmers' Market.

Enrichment grant is going before Council March 26, 2024. Colin has contacted Jessica Hansen, Community Programmer, CP re: equipment for Jill Heinerth's talk.

Action: Colin, Laura will distribute Earth Fest posters.

Art contest. Colin has contacted Principals and Grade 4 teachers for contest.

Action: Judging to be done by Colin and Anne

7. Lorraine Johnson workshop on May 2, 2024

There are 35 folks registered for this workshop after only limited promotion.

Action: Barb to place an ad in the Humm in April promoting this talk.

8. <u>Development Permit Review By-law Update</u>

It is only now going out for RFP so the committee has at least 6 months. Colin has parcelled it out to members.

<u>Action</u>: Colin will invite Nicki Dwyer, Director of Development Services, CP to May meeting re: DPRB. Identify key places where we can have impact. Colin to send UFRCC comments to the EAC committee.

10. CPEAC brochure and web page Update

Anne explained what she had prepared for the website; hoping to have it as complete as possible with occasional updates. 10 things to do for the planet to be added. Discussion re: enlisting and using volunteers for specific events.

Action: Committee members to send in suggestions, material by April 1, 2024 to Anne.

11. Climate Network Lanark Update

On May 18, 2024, CNL will present Electrify Lanark; a presentation about electrification. It will be held in Perth at the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 244.

Tickets available through Tickets Please via CNL.

12. <u>UFRCC Update and EAC Arnprior discussion</u> (Colin)

Colin will approach Janet McGinnis, Chair of UFRCC re: their approach to DPRB. Barb has volunteered to go to Arnprior for their Environmental Advisory Committee meeting in May 2024.

Action: Colin to approach Janet McGinnis.

Barb to attend the Arnprior EAC meeting.

13. Town Council Update

Jeff reported that the next COW meeting will mainly consist of mandatory reports. He recommended that the announcement re: Earth Fest be presented to Council on April 9, 2024.

Action: Anne will write an announcement for Jeff to present at the COW meeting.

14. Other items:

 Meeting Times - April 15th and/or May 6. Committee members to be polled re: need for April 15, 2024

Derek moved to adjourn, Bill seconded, all in favour of adjournment.

Next meeting: Date to be determined. Members to be polled re: availability.