Environment Advisory Committee Meeting

September 24, 2015

Present: Shelley Innes, Carol Williams, Gary Brown, Sylvia Blanchard, Councillor Chuck MacInni

Councillor Stephen Ireland

Absent: Anne deGobeo

Call To Order by Gary: 17:31

No pecuniary interests declared.

Motion to Pass Minutes from August 27, 2015. Motioned by Sylvia, Seconded by Carol.

Additions to agenda

1. Steve Ireland will speak to the Landfill Report.

M/S, Shelley/Sylvia to pass the agenda, Carried

Old Business

- 1. Web page: Anne has sent out a draft of an updated web page. We all are in favour of what she has created. Anne had brought up using the facebook page as another way of reaching out. There is also a twitter account that we could use. Chuck updates us on the policy. We submit a posting to Jill for Facebook and Twitter. There was some discussion on how to best use these platforms. Action Chuck will ask Jill to do a posting on the upcoming Hazardous Waste event in Spencerville. We will email the committee of any ideas of things to post then pass on to Jill. Motion that person in charge of webpage also passes on the social media posts, by Martin, seconded by Shelley.
- 2. Landfill site: Chuck updated us on the Environmental Services Landfill Study Group. It appears as this group is just for budgeting and only meets while the budget is being created. Our committee can still make recommendations except for pertaining to budget related items. There was discussion on potential for rural pickup. We will spend more time going through the recommendations, possibly see if we can get the memo updated (it's at the 5 year update recommendation). Because the landfill is such a big part of our environmental impact in our municipality we should focus a significant portion of our energy on recommendations. Action: Carol will talk to Anne about the Perth report and talk to Perth again if we have any clarifications.
- 3. Composters: There is no program to provide composters at cost. We will see if we can add some program to the eco-fair.
- 4. Recycling bin locations/plans: Chuck and Steve will still follow up to council/Dave Powers.
- 5. Water filling station: Anney to develop a report on discussion with city of Cornwall put forward to October meeting
- 6. LED Street Lights: No update on the timeline as of yet. This would make a good social media post. Action: Martin will try to get a picture of an LED street light for the post.

- 7. Solar composters: Chuck found out the solar composters are provincially owned in Halifax. He has left a voice mail with the group in charge of it. He will follow up.
- 8. Blue Dot Movement: Carol and Gary to present to Council on Sept. 28. Action: Gary will have the presentation done tomorrow and send it to us and Frederick.
- 9. Wind Turbines: Chuck has a copy of the resolution and read it to us. We are in favour of Council passing such things on to our committee if any groups are asking Council to make such resolutions (relating to environmental matters)
- 10. Vision 2020: Shelley presented results of their meeting. They will have another meeting October 26th at 5pm at the Goose and Gridiron and keep us informed.
- 11. Committee Training: Training will occur at the next meeting, October 22. Action, can we ask it be moved to 17:15, Gary motions to move it, Martin Seconds.

New Business

1. Landfill Report. We will all read through it and discuss next meeting.

Adjournment

Shelley motions to adjourn, Sylvia Seconded, 18:36 Next meeting October 22nd, 2015 17:30, training at 17:00 (unless moved to 17:15)