

#### **Minutes**

#### **Green Committee**

January 26, 2022 5:30 pm Video Conference Click the following link:

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Members Present David Vermeire, Chair

Lynette Geddes

Councillor Pridham

Fred Stam

John Stevens

Members Absent Katherine Moffat

Staff Present Jed Kelly, Director of Public Works

Dave Blake, Environmental Services Manager

Morgan Dykstra, Committee Secretary

#### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Morgan Dykstra called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m..

## 2. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None declared.

### 3. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Morgan Dykstra asked the Committee for nominations for the role of Chair.

Councillor Pridham nominated David Vermeire to assume the role of Chair, David Vermeire accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations.

**Resolution: GC-2022-01-01** 

**Moved By** Councillor Pridham **Seconded By** John Stevens

**THAT** David Vermeire be appointed as the Chair of the Green Committee effective immediately to November 14, 2022.

Carried

Morgan Dykstra asked the Committee for nominations for the role of Vice-Chair.

Lynette Geddes nominated Councillor Pridham to assume the role of Chair, Councillor Pridham accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations.

Resolution: GC-2022-01-02 Moved By Lynette Geddes Seconded By John Stevens

**THAT** Councillor Pridham be appointed as the Vice-Chair of the Green Committee effective immediately to November 14, 2022.

Carried

David Vermeire assumed the role of Chair.

### 4. AMENDMENTS AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Fred Stam joined the meeting at 5:35 p.m.

Resolution: GC-2022-01-03
Moved By John Stevens
Seconded By Lynette Geddes

**THAT** the January 26, 2021 Green Committee Agenda be accepted as presented.

Carried

## 5. DELEGATIONS

None.

#### 6. CORRESPONDENCE

6.1 Jordan Partridge, St. Marys Youth Council re: Spring Environmental Programs

The Committee discussed the correspondence from the St. Marys Youth Council.

The Committee noted that the St. Marys Youth Council should consider alternative social media platforms to promote their activities as opposed to just Instagram. The commented that the Town can promote their initiatives on its website and social media platforms. The Committee also discussed inviting the St. Marys Youth Council to future environmental initiatives of the Green Committee such as pulling garlic mustard and tree planting.

The Committee discussed forwarding a letter to the St. Marys Youth Council summarizing the Committee's discussion, while also providing comments related to communications best practices.

Resolution: GC-2022-01-04 Moved By Councillor Pridham Seconded By Fred Stam

**THAT** the correspondence from Jordan Partridge, Chair of the St. Marys Youth Council requesting the Green Committee's assistance for the Youth Council's proposed environmental programs be received; and

**THAT** a letter be provided to the St. Marys Youth Council detailing the Committee's discussion.

Carried

#### 7. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

Resolution: GC-2022-01-05
Moved By Lynette Geddes
Seconded By Fred Stam

**THAT** The November 24, 2021 Green Committee minutes be approved and signed by the Chair and the Committee Secretary.

Carried

## 8. STRATEGIC ITEMS - PROGRESS UPDATE

At the request of the Committee, Jed Kelly provided an update regarding the Waste Reduction and Diversion initiatives. Jed Kelly advised that due to site constraints the projects cannot proceed until the Town is in the design phase of

the St. Marys Landfill Site Environmental Compliance Approval (ECA), this step occurs once the Province of Ontario approves the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the site.

Resolution: GC-2022-01-06
Moved By Lynette Geddes
Seconded By John Stevens

**THAT** the January Green Committee Strategic Priorities Table be received for information.

Carried

#### 9. REPORTS

## 9.1 PW 04-2022 CURBSIDE WASTE COLLECTION SERVICE DELIVERY

Dave Blake spoke to the report and responded to questions from the Committee.

The Committee discussed the transition to producer responsibility recycling programs. Dave Blake informed the Committee that the Town expects the transition to occur between 2023 and 2025, and that the Province of Ontario is currently accepting service provider proposals for collection.

The Committee noted that St. Marys Cement (SMC) is pursuing an Alternative Low Carbon Fuels project and if the project is successful there may be a waste depot and transfer station at their location.

Resolution: GC-2022-01-07
Moved By Fred Stam

Seconded By John Stevens

**THAT** report PW 04-2022 Curbside Waste Collection Service Delivery Investigation be received for information.

Carried

#### 10. OTHER BUSINESS

None.

#### 11. UPCOMING MEETINGS

February 23, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

March 23, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. via Zoom

# 12. ADJOURNMENT

Resolution: GC-2022-01-08
Moved By John Stevens
Seconded By Lynette Geddes

THAT this meeting of the Green Committee adjourn at 6:05 p.m.

Carried

David Vermeire, Chair	

Morgan Dykstra, Committee Secretary