



Minutes of Sustainable Orangeville

January 5, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

Chair and Secretary Participating Remotely
The Corporation of the Town of Orangeville

Members Present: Chair, Councillor G. Peters
V. Nilsson
M. Smith
T. Woods
C. McCabe
M. Whitcombe
M. Rowley
J. Lemon
J. Keats-Marchildon

Members Absent: A. Seagram
J. Quirt

Staff Present: C. Cosgrove
A. Shaw
A. Myles

Guests: J.M. Palermino

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None stated.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

That the minutes of November 24, 2020 meeting are hereby approved.

Resolution:

Moved by M. Rowley

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

Carried.

4. Presentations

4.1 Presentation - Bat Boxes - Jeanne-Marie Palermino

Ms. Jeanne-Marie Palermino provided information and the benefits of bats within our environments. Bats are on a decline due to a reduction in their natural habitat and from the consumption of contaminated insects. Ms.

Palermino introduced an initiative to the committee on the creation of bat boxes by ODSS woodworking students. She is requesting assistance from the committee for placement, public education and funding for this initiative. The committee members are supportive and have requested Mr. Palermino to return with a formal costing and capacity plan for committee review.

4.2 Presentation - Climate Change - Allison Myles

Ms. Allison Myles, Climate Change Co-ordinator for the Town of Orangeville presented the status and current findings of the Climate Change Adaptation plan. The first draft of the plan is completed and receiving management review. Next steps are stakeholder input, such as the Sustainable Orangeville committee members. Ms. Myles will be returning to the committee soon for Green House Gas target setting recommendations.

5. Items for Discussion and Reports

5.1 Bee City materials

Bee City has sent the official designation certificate, information pamphlets and a large framed poster with pictures of the many bee species. The committee would like to use the framed poster for the farmer's market education tables and for Earth Week events.

5.2 2021 Workplan

The committee reviewed the 2021 committee workplan.

Resolution:

Moved by J. Lemon

That the 2021 Sustainable Orangeville committee workplan be approved as presented.

And that \$12,500 of the 2020 committee budget funds be carried-over for the specified projects that have been started and are scheduled for completion in 2021.

And that all other 2020 remaining budget funds be transferred to the committee's Environment Reserve fund for sustainability projects.

Carried.

5.3 2020 Committee Annual Report

The 2020 Sustainable Orangeville committee report is schedule to be presented to Council on January 25. Committee members are requested to submit any stats or comments prior to the January 11 deadline date.

5.4 Tree Canada Grant Submission

Notification to the committee on the submission of the Tree Canada - Edible Trees grant for a 2021 community planting.

5.5 Environment Reserve Fund Outline Review

The committee reviewed the proposal from J. Lemon on an application process for the Environmental Reserve funds.

The members are requested to provide any comments to Mr. Lemon to assist in formalizing an application process on behalf of the committee.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Bee City merger

7. New Business

7.1 Committee Member Resignation

That the Sustainable Orangeville Committee accepts the resignation of J. Quirt with regret.

And that the committee recommends advertising for the new public member position.

Resolution:

Moved by C. McCabe

Carried.

7.2 Committee Member Addition

Council has appointed V. Nilsson as the new public member on the Sustainable Orangeville committee.

8. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for March 2, 2021 at 7 p.m.

9. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.