



Minutes of Sustainable Orangeville

September 7, 2021, 7:00 p.m.

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

Members Present: Councillor G. Peters
A. Seagram
M. Smith
M. Whitcombe
M. Rowley
J. Lemon
Miranda O'Connor

Members Absent: V. Nilsson
T. Woods
C. McCabe
Jessica Marchildon

Staff Present: A. Shaw
C. Cosgrove

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:06 p.m.

2. Disclosures of (Direct or Indirect) Pecuniary Interest

None stated.

3. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Recommendation: June 1 , 2021

Moved by M. Rowley

That the minutes of the following meeting are approved:

Carried

4. Presentations

4.1 Delegation - Maureen McCullough - Clean Up Event

The committee welcomed Ms. McCullough who spoke to her concern over the garbage and debris in the wetlands and is approaching the committee for ideas on how to clean up the area. The committee discussed the Spring Let's Make Orangeville Shine Rotary event in partnership with Sustainable Orangeville. Chair, G. Peters will contact public works on their ability to clean up this storm water pond.

5. Items for Discussion and Reports

5.1 Welcome Tracy Barry, New Committee Administrator

The Committee welcomed their new Administrator, Tracy Barry.

5.2 CVC Tree Planting Event Update

Sustainable Orangeville and CVC Fall tree planting event is scheduled for October 2, 2021, Harvey Curry Park, starting at 9 a.m. Registration is mandatory as capacity is restricted to 45 volunteers. 350 trees and shrubs will be planted.

<https://cvc.ca/event/orangeville-community-tree-planting/>

5.3 Baby Tree Forest Ceremony update

The Baby Tree Forest ceremony is scheduled for Oct. 16, 2021 at Orangeville Lions Sports Park for the babies born in 2019 & 2020.

There are a total of 9 babies registered.

5.4 Community Garden Shed Artwork Project update

At the June 1, 2021 meeting the Committee suggested the new grey community garden shed be covered with artwork and motioned for staff to seek input from the Arts & Culture division. Staff member A. Shaw updated the committee that the Arts & Culture division under Economic Development has a concept plan for adding murals to shed and will be submitting the request within their 2022 budget process.

5.5 Hutchinson Trail Project Update

Facilities and Parks Manager, Charles Cosgrove provided an update on the Hutchison Court Trail project. The naturalization plan has been approved by Parks division and Mr. Booth anticipates site preparation to commence September 10 with volunteers. There are 5 volunteers and they are seeking an additional 5 should committee members wish to assist. The substitute native plants will be planted in Spring.

5.6 Official Steering Plan Committee - member representative required

Moved by M. Whitcombe

That, the Sustainable Orangeville member representative for the Official Plan Review Steering Committee shall be Martina Rowley and Jeff Lemon as backup support.

Carried

5.7 Autumn Compost Giveaway

Dufferin County is no longer providing the compost giveaway at the Farmer's Market. Kevin in Parks is receiving quotes from suppliers for the delivery of compost to the Operations Centre. Parks will then distribute half to the Farmer's Market for the giveaway program and half to the Community Garden.

Moved by M. Whitcombe

That the Sustainable Orangeville Committee will allocate \$250 towards the compost give away at the Farmers Market.

Carried

5.8 Amendments to Fireworks By-law

Verbal discussion for input on fireworks.

5.9 Committee Finances & Workplan

The Committee's 2022 drafted workplan is to be presented at the October meeting for discussion and approval. Members are to begin brainstorming ideas or consider allocation adjustments for 2022.

5.10 Sub-Committee Updates

5.10.1 Waste Sub-Committee - Sticker Reimbursement

Moved by J. Lemon

That, Committee Chair, Councillor Grant Peters be reimbursed \$96.65 for the Waste Sub-committee, Orangeville Reduces Stickers program.

Carried

5.10.2 Communities in Bloom - Garden Showcase event update

CiB representative Matt Smith provided an update on the Communities in Bloom Garden Showcase and award winners ceremony.

5.10.3 Active Transportation - Bike Racks update

Member, Jeff Lemon provided an update on the bike rack donation program and has been reviewing the suggested bike rack locations from the public submissions and placing them accordingly with organizations permission. The majority of public submissions received requested racks at Grocery Stores. A final list of locations will be provided to the committee.

5.10.4 Urban Harvest update

Ms. Rowley provided a verbal update on the Urban Harvest program. Fifteen volunteers have signed up again to assist, 5 harvests have been attended to so far and a few more crops are sweetening up within the coming weeks.

5.10.5 Bat Boxes

The committee members have 3 bat boxes made for installation. Mr. Cosgrove suggests the storm water pond by the new Veterans Trail as there are communication poles already installed. Educational signage will be prepared for below the bat boxes.

5.10.6 Community Garden

Garden lead volunteer, Ms. Sylvia Bradley provided an update on the gardening season. Most plots were great this year. A list of required maintenance and repair requests were provided to Parks. Requesting better accessible trail to new raised beds, and pruning of the orchard. Compost will also be delivered to the garden within the coming weeks. Staff are preparing registration for 2022 garden season.

6. Correspondence

6.1 Active Transportation Grant Funding

Announcement from Infrastructure Canada on Active Transportation Fund. Applications are not yet opened and timelines have not yet been released. This grant is in direct alignment with committee initiatives.

7. New Business

None Stated.

8. Date of Next Meeting

8.1 2022 Committee Meeting Schedule

Moved by M. Rowley

That, the Sustainable Orangeville 2022 Committee meeting schedule be approved as presented.

Carried

9. Adjournment

The committee adjourned at 9:15 p.m.