



THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE ACTION ADVISORY

COMMITTEE MEETING VIA ZOOM

HELD WEDNESDAY, February 10, 2021

PRESENT: VOTING

Mary Stockdale (Co-Chair), Educators and Educational Institutions
Brian Guy (Co-Chair), Business & Commercial Services
Bill Darnell, Community Stewardship
Jeremy Fyke, Science and Technology
Dione Chambers, Community at Large
Jenn Comazzetto, School District #22
Quinn Soon, Youth
Ed Wilson, Community at Large
Stan Eaman, Health and Social Services
Colleen Marchand, OKIB
Councilor Brian Quiring, Councillor (Appointed Member)

NON-VOTING

Barry Dorval, Youth Supporting Member

ABSENT: Mayor Victor Cumming (Alternate Member)

STAFF: Laurie Cordell, Manager, Long Range Planning & Sustainability
Jing Niu, Environmental Planning Assistant

ORDER The meeting was called to order at 4:02 PM.

ADOPTION OF AGENDA Proposed amendment: include update on school curriculum project under item 3

Moved by Ed Wilson, seconded by Bill Darnell:

THAT the agenda of the Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting for Wednesday, February 10, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED.

ADOPTION OF MINUTES Moved by Mary Stockdale, seconded by Stan Eaman:

THAT the minutes for the Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting of January 20, 2021 be adopted.

CARRIED.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

**Community
Engagement Plan
Update and
Discussion**

Staff presented the engagement strategy:

- Developed and shared a Storymap for community engagement online, that can be continuously built upon;
- Aim to have materials live online in March, collect for two or three weeks, with ongoing ambassador presentation and outreach and networking, media release and corresponding actions, provide a place for public Q&A / forum;
- Possibility of recording one of the ambassador presentations to have available for reference; and
- Potential for radio interviews.
- Seeking:
 - Volunteers for engagement action group: Mary Stockdale, Ed Wilson, Jeremy Fyke, Barry Dorval, Quinn Soon, Brian Guy, Jenn Comazzetto;
 - Volunteers for recorded Q&A (to be provided); and
 - Example quote/picture/photo release from community members for example actions.
- Staff to followup with specifics of requests, including any additional training necessary for new ambassadors.

**Overview of
Presentations**

SENS presentations went well, upwards of ~45 participants, well attended, moderated Q&A worked well. Letters can be provided to Council to show support.

RGMAC presentation was provided by staff, RGMAC adopted resolution to have corresponding staff work together to put together list of items applicable to RDNO to consider for action.

**Update on the
Curriculum
Initiative**

Encourage teachers to provide feedback, intend to make a presentation to the SD 22 Board, encouraging progress and looking forward to the second phase, working to target ambassador presentation to schools. Recommend to have the requests to the School Board prepared to support the presentation, helps to include student feedback/engagement in support of the requests to the board.

**Climate Action
Now**

Students with the flag project at Seaton, SENS and CAN have been collaborating.

Students have been working on how to best encourage Council to support CAP.

NEW BUSINESS

Meeting Schedule 2021 Proposed upcoming 2021 meeting schedule, 4PM starts: March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23, Aug 25, Sept 29, Oct 27, Nov 24, Dec 29- was endorsed by the committee

INFORMATION ITEMS:


Climate Action Plan In Action Councillor Quiring: CAP has been an “unbelievably effective tool” in supporting related initiatives as Council evaluates proposed action items. There is strong appreciation for the work the committee members have dedicated to the project.

NEXT MEETING The next meeting for the Climate Action Advisory Committee is set for March 24, 2021 at 4:00 PM.


ADJOURNMENT Moved by Stan Eaman, seconded by Ed Wilson:

THAT the meeting of the Climate Action Advisory Committee adjourned at 5:12 PM.

CERTIFIED CORRECT:



Co-Chair



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