



**CLIMATE ACTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE –  
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2021  
VIA ZOOM– 4:00 p.m.**

**AGENDA**

1. **ADOPTION OF AGENDA**
2. **ADOPTION OF MINUTES**  
  
January 20, 2021 (attached)
3. **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**
  - a) Community Engagement Plan Update and Discussion
4. **NEW BUSINESS:**
  - a) Meeting schedule 2021
5. **INFORMATION ITEMS:**
6. **NEXT MEETING:**  
  
To be announced.
7. **ADJOURNMENT**



## THE CORPORATION OF THE CITY OF VERNON

### MINUTES OF THE CLIMATE ACTION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING VIA ZOOM HELD WEDNESDAY, January 20, 2021

**PRESENT:** VOTING

Brian Guy (Co-Chair), Business & Commercial Services  
Bill Darnell, Community Stewardship  
Jeremy Fyke, Science, Technology and Environmental Institutions  
Dione Chambers, Community at Large  
Mary Stockdale (Co-Chair), Educators and Educational Institutions  
Ed Wilson, Community at Large Rep  
Stan Eaman, Health and Social Services Sector  
Councilor Brian Quiring, (Appointed Member) left at 3:58  
Mayor Victor Cumming (Alternate Member), left at 3:58 PM

NON-VOTING

Colleen Marchand, OKIB  
Quinn Soon, Youth  
Barry Dorval, Teacher Support  
Kevin McCarty, Previous Business & Commercial Services  
(Observational participant)  
Alan Gee, Teacher Support

**ABSENT:** Jenn Comazzetto, School District No. 22 Representative

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

**ORDER** The meeting was called to order at 3:35 PM.

**Introductions** Each member and attendee introduced themselves and provided a brief background.

**ADOPTION OF AGENDA** Moved by Stan Eaman, seconded by Ed Wilson:

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

**CARRIED.**

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- Discussion** Mary Stockdale introduced the concept of a land acknowledgement and provided a personal acknowledgement of our work and meeting on the traditional and unceded territory of the Syilx Okanagan people.
- Election of Chair and Vice Chair (or Co-Chair)** Committee generally agreed upon Co-Chair approach.  
1<sup>st</sup> nomination:  
  - Mary Stockdale, nominated by Bill Darnell, seconded by Stan Eaman;
  - Brian Guy, nominated by Stan Eaman, seconded by Bill Darnell.2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> nominations called.  
Mary Stockdale accepts, Brian Guy accepts.  
Declaration of Co-Chairs by acclamation
- ADOPTION OF MINUTES** Moved by Stan Eaman, seconded by Jeremy Fyke:  
  
THAT the minutes for the Climate Action Advisory Committee meeting of December 2, 2020 be adopted.  
  
**CARRIED.**
- Celebrating Success** Bill provided summary of successes in the past two years:  
  - Established a Task Force and transition to Committee,
  - Advocated and acquired significant commitment and resources from Council towards climate action,
  - Directed the development of the Climate Action Plan,
  - Contributed significantly to on-going conversation and communications towards climate action in the community, and
  - Looking forward to the implementation of the CAP; andRetrospective of milestones and round table reflection from original members.
- Big Goals for 2021-2022, Brainstorming** Roundtable discussion/brainstorm on what's next after the CAP:  
  - Ensure measurables/metrics are tracked to monitor continual progress against targets;
  - Hold the City accountable towards taking action to meet CAP goals;
  - Ensure that there's opportunity provided to empower "quiet voices" especially those of youths, to take action, to uplift/address the feeling of powerlessness and pessimism against climate action;
  - Continual community engagement, especially build a broad mandate for low engagement parts of our community, and embed the plan within every element of the community;

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- Importance of indigenous voice, participation, and the continuation of progress to enhance this perspective;
- Help the public visualize their progress in multiple forms;
- Consider “secondary” (consumption based) emissions in CAP implementation; and
- Distributing the CAP beyond the City, e.g. RDNO.

### **Committee, Council, Staff Roles / Relationship**

Laurie Cordell provided high level review of committee, Council, and staff roles and relationship. The role of Committee specified within its ToR, and is generally to provide advice to Council on recommendation related to climate action, Council review and provide direction to administration/staff, Staff take action to implement Council direction.

### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

### **Community Engagement Plan Review**

Laurie Cordell summarized elements of the CAP engagement plan: Purpose of the engagement is to inform the community about the plan and seek feedback. Scaled back due to COVID; Opportunities include online presentations, virtual live events, Zoom presentations to stakeholders (e.g. SENS Jan. 21), reaching out to workshop participants, checking back in with City Staff, Facebook live, Storymap, presentation specific for students, traditional and social media, targeting March as an updated timeline.

CAAC and Ambassadors need to help by reaching out to their networks using the updated Ambassador presentation.

### **Step Code Bylaw Update**

The Bylaw update is still in-progress. The City has secured funding for mid-construction blower door testing.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

### **Meeting Times/Frequency**

Meet monthly in the short term, to be reevaluated after the next meeting when engagement is underway.

### **Working Group Concept**

Continue with this idea during Term 2, alternatively develop ad-hoc groups as necessary..

### **INFORMATION ITEMS:**

Reminder to members to review of Terms of Reference and Bullying and Harassment Policy, and to return completed confirmation to the City.

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**NEXT MEETING**      The next meeting for the Climate Action Advisory Committee is set for February 10, 2021 at 4:00 PM.

**ADJOURNMENT**      Moved by Mary Stockdale, second by Stan Eaman:

                                 THAT the meeting of the Climate Action Advisory Committee adjourned at 5:43 PM.

**CERTIFIED CORRECT:**

\_\_\_\_\_ Co-Chair

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