

Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

January 9, 2024, 6:30 p.m. Committee Room

Present: A.J. Groen

Emily Posteraro Gregory Waclawek Councillor Lee Joseph Young Chris Biancaniello

Tim Speirs

Absent: Peter Kanellos

Emily Noel

Also Present: F. Bianchet, Council-Committee Coordinator

B. Morris, Planner A

P. Aguilera, Council Committee Coordinator

Call to Order

P. Aguilera, Council-Committee Coordinator called the meeting to order and stated that all members of the Committee were participating from the Committee Room except Peter Kanellos and Emily Noel who were absent and Chris Biancaniello was participating virtually.

Land Acknowledgment

The City of Oshawa is situated on lands within the traditional and treaty territory of the Michi Saagiig and Chippewa Anishinaabeg and the signatories of the Williams Treaties, which include the Mississaugas of Scugog Island, Curve Lake, Hiawatha and Alderville First Nations, and the Chippewas of Georgina Island, Rama and Beausoleil First Nations. We are grateful for the Anishinaabeg who have cared for the land and waters within this territory since time immemorial.

We recognize that Oshawa is steeped in rich Indigenous history and is now present day home to many First Nations, Inuit and Métis people. We express gratitude for this diverse group of Indigenous Peoples who continue to care for the land and shape and strengthen our community.

As a municipality, we are committed to understanding the truth of our shared history, acknowledging our role in addressing the negative impacts that colonization continues to have on Indigenous Peoples, developing reciprocal relationships, and taking meaningful action toward reconciliation.

We are all Treaty people.

Additional Agenda Items

None

Declarations of Pecuniary Interest

Presentations

Legislative Services - Advisory Committees of Council Policy and Procedure

Felicia Bianchet, Council-Committee Coordinator provided a presentation concerning the Advisory Committees of Council Policy and Procedure.

The Committee questioned the Council-Committee Coordinator.

Felicia Bianchet, Council-Committee Coordinator opened the floor for nominations for the role of Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term.

Moved by A.J. Groen

That Emily Posteraro be nominated as Chair for the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term.

Motion Carried

Moved by A.J. Groen

That nominations for the role of Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee be closed.

Motion Carried

The vote to appoint Emily Posteraro as Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term.

Motion Carried

Moved by Emily Posteraro

Election of Vice-Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee

Felicia Bianchet, Council-Committee Coordinator opened the floor to nominations for the role of Vice-Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term.

That AJ Groen be nominated as Vice-Chair Vice of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee for a one-year term.

AJ Groen accepted the nomination.

Motion Carried

Moved by Emily Posteraro

That nominations for the role of Vice-Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee be closed.

Motion Carried

Moved by Emily Posteraro

The vote to appoint AJ Groen as Vice-Chair of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

Delegations

None

Referrals from Council and Committees

None

Correspondence

None

Reports

OEAC-24-01- 2023 Work Plan and Year End Accomplishments

Moved by A.J. Groen

That Report OEAC-24-01 concerning the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee's 2023 yearend accomplishments be endorsed and included in the Council Information Package.

Motion Carried

OEAC-24-02 - 2024 OEAC Budget

Moved by Gregory Waclawek

That Report OEAC-24-02 dated January 9, 2024, concerning the 2024 O.E.A.C. Budget be received for information.

Motion Carried

Items Introduced by Members

OEAC-24-03 - Tree Giveaway Working Group

Moved by A.J. Groen

That based on Report OEAC-24-03 a Tree Giveaway Working Group be created in order to prepare and plan the Tree Giveaway Event in the Fall of 2024 and,

That AJ Groen, Joseph Young, Gregory Waclawek and Emily Posteraro be appointed to the Tree Giveaway Working Group; and,

That AJ Groen be appointed as Chair to the Tree Giveaway Working Group.

Motion Carried

OEAC-24-04 - Fall Film Night Working Group

Moved by Joseph Young

That based on Report OEAC-24-04 a Fall Film Night Working Group be created; and,

That Joseph Young, Gregory Waclawek, Emily Posteraro, AJ Groen, Tim Speirs be appointed to the Fall Film Night Working Group; and,

That Gregory Waclawek be appointed as Chair of the Fall Film Night Working Group.

Motion Carried

OEAC-24-05 - Road Salt Working Group

Moved by A.J. Groen

That based on Report OEAC-24-05 a Road Salt Working Group be created to promote and educate on road salt awareness.

That AJ Groen, Emily Posteraro, Joseph Young and Tim Speirs be appointed to the Working Group; and,

That AJ Groen be appointed as Chair of the Road Salt Working Group.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Lee

That AJ Groen be appointed to make a delegation to Durham Environmental Advisory Committee on behalf of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee with respect to the Road Salt Working Group.

Motion Carried

OEAC-24-06 - MTSA Working Group

Moved by Gregory Waclawek

That based on Report OEAC-24-06 - a Major Transit Area Study Working Group be created to review Phase 3 study materials and provide recommendations to staff; and,

That Gregory Waclawek, AJ Groen, Joseph Young, Chris Biancaniello and Tim Speirs be appointed to the Working Group; and,

That Greg Waclawek be appointed as Chair of the Major Transit Area Study Working Group.

Motion Carried

OEAC-24-07 - Event Booth Coordination Working Group

AJ Groen assumed the Chair.

Moved by Emily Posteraro

That based on Report OEAC-24-07 an Event Booth Coordination Working Group be created to oversee events of OEAC and provide members of the Committee with information regarding upcoming events; and,

That Emily Posteraro, AJ Groen and Joseph Young be appointed to the Event Booth Coordination Working Group; and,

That Emily Posteraro be appointed as Chair of the Event Booth Coordination Working Group.

Motion Carried

Emily Posteraro resumed the Chair.

OEAC - 24-08 - Request for Presentation from Corporate Communications

Moved by A.J. Groen

That based on Report OEAC-24-08 the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee request that the Corporate Communications Department be invited to make a presentation to the Committee regarding potential advertising.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Moved by Gregory Waclawek

That this meeting be adjourned at 7:19 PM

Motion Carried