



**Oshawa Environmental Advisory  
Committee Minutes**

**March 4, 2025, 6:30 p.m.  
Committee Room**

**Present:** Gregory Waclawek  
Joseph Young  
A.J. Groen  
Chris Biancaniello  
Tim Spears  
Councillor Lee

**Also Present:** F. Bianchet, Council-Committee Coordinator  
B. Morris, Planner A  
C. Leherbauer, Senior Planner  
K. Christopher, Council Committee Coordinator

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**Public Meeting**

Gregory Waclawek, Chair called the meeting to order and advised that all members were participating from the Committee Meeting Room except Tim Spears who was participating electronically.

**Land Acknowledgement**

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**

None

**Presentations**

**Planning Services - Proposed City-Initiated Amendments to Implement Protected Major Transit Station Areas**

Connor Leherbauer, Senior Planner provided a presentation concerning proposed City-initiated amendments to implement protected major transit stations areas.

The Committee questioned the Senior Planner.

**Delegations**

None

**Referrals from Council and Committees**

None

**Correspondence**

**OEAC-25-06 - Oshawa Garden Club - Invitation to Annual Plant Sale Event**

Moved by Joseph Young

That the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee register to have an Information booth at the Plant Sale hosted by the Oshawa Garden Club on May 24, 2025 at the South Oshawa Community Centre; and,

That Joseph Young and A.J. Groen be appointed to attend on behalf of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee.

Carried

**Reports**

**OEAC-25-07 - 2025 Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee Work Plan**

Moved by Joseph Young

That Report OEAC-25-07 dated February 4, 2025 concerning the 2025 Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee work plan be received for information.

Carried

**OEAC-25-08 - Staff Report INFO-25-28: Province of Ontario's 2022 Air Quality Report**

Moved by Joseph Young

That Report OEAC-25-08 dated March 4, 2025 being a staff report regarding the Province of Ontario's 2022 Air Quality Report be received for information.

**OEAC-25-09 - Road Salt Working Group Report - March 2025**

Moved by Joseph Young

That Report OEAC-25-09 dated March 4, 2025 concerning the Road Salt Working Group activities for March 2025 be received for information.

Carried

**Items Introduced by Members**

**OEAC-25-10 - Request for Presentation from Claire Malcolmson, Ontario Salt Pollution Coalition**

Moved by A.J. Groen

That the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee request that Claire Malcolmson, Environmental Consultant, Ontario Salt Pollution Coalition be invited to provide a presentation concerning the harmful effects road salt has on our natural and built environments.

Carried

**OEAC-25-11 - Purchase of a Gazebo for O.E.A.C. Events**

Moved by A.J. Groen

That a gazebo be purchased with the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee name printed on it for use at O.E.A.C. events.

Moved by A.J. Groen

That the motion to purchase a gazebo with the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee name printed on it for use at O.E.A.C. events be withdrawn.

Carried

Moved by A.J. Groen

That a Gazebo Working Group be created to investigate the purchase and design of a gazebo for use at O.E.A.C. events; and,

That the Working Group consist of four members of the Oshawa Environmental Advisory Committee; and,

That A.J. Groen, Chis Biancaniello, Joseph Young and Gregory Waclawek be appointed to the Working Group; and,

That Gregory Waclawek be appointed as Chair of the Gazebo Working Group.

Carried

**Adjournment**

Moved by Chris Biancaniello

That the meeting adjourn at 7:45 p.m.

Carried