



DISTRICT OF SUMMERLAND
Minutes of the Climate Action Committee
Held at District of Summerland
Council Chambers
13211 Henry Avenue, Summerland, BC
On Thursday, March 19th, 2015 at 8:45 AM

Members Present: Chairperson D. Hill
J. Arendt
N. Hildebrand
H. Sielmann
G. Downton

Staff Present: M. Stam, Manager of Works

Councillors Present: E. Carlson

Members Absent: J. Lusted, B. Harris, L. Scott

1. Call to Order

Chairperson D. Hill called the meeting to order at 8:50 a.m.

2. Adoption of Minutes

Recommendation:

Moved, seconded,

THAT the CAC meeting minutes dated February 18th, 2015 be adopted.

Carried.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Recommendation:

Moved, seconded,

THAT the CAC meeting agenda be adopted with the following addition: a discussion of Earth Week activities.

Carried.

4. Delegations

4.1. No delegations today

5. Unfinished Business

5.1. Update Climate Action Tracker

The updated Climate Action Tracker will be reviewed at each regular meeting.

5.2. Earth Week

A flyer was passed around with the draft program. A discussion took place about what the CAC could contribute to Earth Week. It was agreed that we should help the District encourage people to have their utility bill submitted electronically. CAC members will also help promote the use of compost from the landfill facility.

Action: Dave will invite Lorrie Coates to see how we can help promote electronic billing.

Action: Henry, Erin, Brian: In the Fall prepare a recommendation for the use of municipal compost as a soil conditioner.

Unused Funds for Earth Week: Dave advises that \$175 is left over. We agreed to make this sum available to Lisa Scott for the tree planting project.

5.3 Bike to Work Week

A discussion took place about displaying e-bikes during Earth Week and Bike to Work Week.

Action: Dave will contact e-bike vendors to see if someone would be interested in displaying e-bikes during these events.

Nada summarized the Bike to Work PowerPoint presentation and encourage everyone to read it and be knowledgeable about it. Nada and John will coordinate activities. Dave suggested that we should help promote Earth Week using municipal and local media. Erin would like to develop an inventory of bike racks in Summerland. There is a general agreement that more bike racks are required and that the CAC would welcome funding requests for the construction of more racks. The first official meeting of the Bike to Work Committee will be on Wednesday March 25 at 9:00 at Good Omens. All CAC members are welcome to attend.

5.4 Additional Items to be added to the CAC Action Tracker

The following items will be carried forward in the minutes:

- Henry's proposal to provide seasonal transport of bicycles on Peach Orchard Road – see Minutes of the January 15 Meeting.
- The scheduled end-of-term for CAC Members is March 31st, 2015
- The Summerland Climate Action Plan is our guiding document.

5.5 Projects proposed by CAC Members

A brainstorming session appears to be the best method to define and select suitable projects.

6. **New Business**

6.1 Pilot Project Applications

So far two requests have been received, both related to solar panels. We hope to get additional requests, primarily from students. The Trout Creek newsletter contains an article which invites proposals from the students.

The project applications from Ornamental Gardens and Earth Week have been approved. A formal letter will be prepared by Dave that details the reporting criteria required to obtain reimbursements. A meeting is required with the Director of Finance to develop a process that will allow citizens to successfully obtain funding.

7. **Items for next meeting**

The following will be ongoing discussion items:

- 2015 Budget
- Smart Tool
- CAC Pilot Projects.
- Proposed Community and Corporate Projects

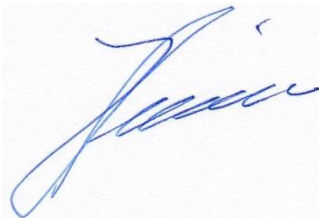
8. **Next meeting date**

The next meeting is scheduled for April 16th at 8:45 a.m. It will be dedicated to collecting project ideas from CAC members in a brainstorming session.

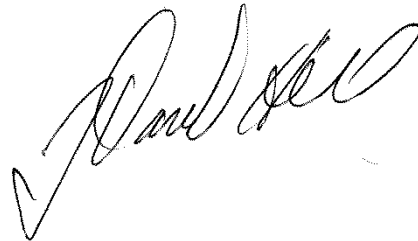
9. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

This is a correct record of the meeting:



Henry Sielmann, Recording Secretary
March 20th, 2015



Dave Hill, Chairperson
March 23rd, 2015