



DISTRICT OF SUMMERLAND
Minutes of the Climate Action Committee
Held at District of Summerland
Council Chambers
13211 Henry Avenue, Summerland, BC
On Thursday, June 18th, 2015 at 8:45 AM

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

Staff Present: M. Stam, Manager of Works (arrived at 9:15 a.m.)
R. Belyk, Deputy Chief Financial Officer (arrived at 9:20 a.m.)

Councillors Present: E. Carlson

Members Absent: B. Harris

Student Member Jacob Lusted

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 May 21st, 2015 be adopted.

Carried.

3. Adoption of Agenda

Recommendation:

Moved, seconded,

THAT the CAC meeting agenda be adopted.

Carried.

4. Delegations

Mike Fetterer of the DOS Recreation Department presented an overview of the replacement of pool lights. The Department is asking for the CAC to cover the full cost of purchasing the lights i.e. \$9720 while the Department will fund the installation. A discussion ensued regarding the acceptance by users of the pool. The CAC decided that from our perspective LED lights are desirable but that the Recreation Department is responsible to ensure that users are in favour.

Motion: D. Hill moves to support the request. Seconded by H. Sielmann.

Discussion: H. Sielmann recommends to support the funding request because the benefits of LED lights are proven and it would be good to show that the CAC is actively engaged. L.Scott wants to be assured that we will follow through with creating an application process for corporate departments.

All in favour.

Action: Prepare and issue an application process for corporate CAC grant applications.

5. Unfinished Business

5.1. Update Climate Action Tracker

The updated Climate Action Tracker will be reviewed at each regular meeting. Councillor E. Carlson will attend the Penticton equivalent of the Summerland CAC on July 8th and report back if we should develop regular networking.

5.2. Bike to Work Debriefing

N. Hildebrand and J. Arendt reported that there were 55 registered participants and many additional non-registered riders. 25 new registered riders, over 1,000 km cycled and 244 kg GHGs saved. Nada would like to see a greater awareness of the fact that it is not only rides to work that count, but that the theme is "Bike to everywhere".

5.3 Cultural Task Force Report

D. Hill reported that he will attend the meeting of July 19 and report back at the next CAC meeting.

5.4 Projects proposed by CAC Members

D. Hill prepared a chart with all projects submitted by members. Each item was discussed with consideration of financial impacts. The annotated chart is attached.

Action: Form a sub-committee that will help educate the public about recycling.

Action: R. Belyk will advise M. Stam of the amount that has been collected in the paperless billing fund for trees. Maarten will then collect ideas from the landscaping crew where trees should be planted.

5.5 Additional agenda item: Pilot Projects

L. Scott voiced concerns that winners learned about their project approvals through the press which reported from the Council Meeting where the CAC recommendations were approved. We should amend our process by notifying participants of our recommendations before Council makes their decision.

6. **New Business**

6.1 Addition of new CAC Member

Laird Wilson is joining the CAC in the capacity of regular member. The position of student representative has been filled by Council. Jacob Lusted has been contacted and informed that as per the CAC Terms of Reference" that if a member of the CAC misses three (3) consecutive regularly scheduled meetings , unless the absence is due to illness or with the leave of the committee, the members appointment will be deemed vacant and a new volunteer will be appointed."

6.2 Corporate Project Submissions

Mike Fetterer of the Recreation Department presented a submission regarding the replacement/addition of pool lights – see 4. Delegations.

A draft letter to District Departments regarding the submission for CAC Projects was reviewed. It would be preferred to receive all corporate applications at the same time so that we could evaluate competing interests and determine best value. An application form needs to be developed and distributed to all departments – see Action Item in 4. Delegations.

7. **Correspondence**

D. Hill summarized the following correspondence directed to the CAC:

7.1 Nixon Road – Proposal for the Dedication of Parkland

D. Hill advised that a significant portion of the land will be set aside as a natural reserve. The CAC is pleased with the dedication of this sensitive area.

7.2 Friends of the Gardens – Inquiry and response

D. Hill notified the Friends of the Gardens that receipts would be required for the District to release funds.

7.3 Hometown Heroes – Environmental Awards

D. Hill proposed and the CAC members agreed to nominate L. Scott in recognition of her significant contributions to the preservation of the environment in the District of Summerland.

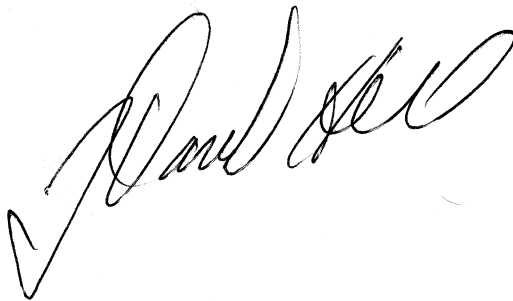
8. Next meeting date

The next meeting is scheduled for August 20th at 8:45 a.m.

Adjournment

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

This is a correct record of the meeting:



Henry Sielmann, Recording Secretary

Dave Hill, Chairperson

Lisa Scott, Vice Chairperson

June 19th, 2015

August 20, 2015

August 20, 2015

Maarten Stam

From: Lisa Scott <Ecomatters@shaw.ca>
Sent: Thursday, 07 May, 2015 15:14
To: Maarten Stam
Cc: Dave Hill; George Downton; John Arendt; Brian Harris
Subject: CAC Pilot Project - review of applications complete
Attachments: CAC scoring_reduce_reuse_rewine_2015.pdf; CAC scoring_worm composting_2015.pdf

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Hi Maarten,

The subcommittee met today and decided the following:

NINE PROJECT APPLICATIONS IN TOTAL

PROJECTS NOT REQUESTING FUNDING: two submissions provided ideas/ recommendations but were not actual requests for funding, so no scoring was required

SOLAR POWER PROJECTS: five submissions related to solar power production/tracking systems. Solar power is an established technology. However, the subcommittee felt that the overwhelming response to solar power projects speaks to significant community interest and requires further attention. We recommend that Council explore opportunities to provide incentives or initiatives for Summerland citizens, relating to this form of power generation. Consequently, we opted to remove all solar project applications from the scoring process. These submissions will be provided to Council.

REMAINING PROJECTS: the remaining two projects were scored by the subcommittee as a whole. Our results are appended, and include comments. As you will note, both projects scored high and we recommend full funding.

ACTIONS:

1. we want to confirm that all applicants did receive notification following the April 16 meeting that there would be a delay in announcements (i.e. announcements would not be made during Earth Week as originally anticipated)
2. the information in this email should be circulated to the full membership of the CAC – if anyone has any major concerns with our decision, this requires immediate resolve – I will let you set a timeline for this based on #3
3. the final decision of the CAC needs to be relayed to Council no later than May 18, so that our recommendations for consideration are on the agenda for the May 25 meeting
4. we would like to ensure that approval letters/agreements clearly state that the applicant must be willing to have the project promoted by media and the CAC

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Lisa