



**PUBLIC MINUTES  
SASKATOON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**Thursday, May 7, 2015, at 11:36 a.m.  
Committee Room "A", City Hall**

**PRESENT:** Dr. Michael Hill, Chair  
Ms. K. Aikens, Vice-Chair  
Councillor M. Loewen  
Mr. B. Sawatzky  
Dr. S. Moshiri  
Ms. A. Garg  
Ms. N. Kochar

**ALSO PRESENT:** General Manager, Corporate Performance C. Gryba  
Director of Environmental and Corporate Initiatives B. Wallace  
Committee Assistant D. Sackmann

**ABSENT:** Ms. A. Bugg  
Dr. D. McGrane  
Mr. S. Homenick  
Mr. B. Latimer

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order.

**2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA**

**Moved By:** Ms. Aikens

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

**CARRIED**

### **3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES**

**Moved By:** Dr. Moshiri

That the minutes of the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee held on April 9, 2015 be adopted.

**CARRIED**

### **4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

#### **4.1 Greenhouse Gas Emissions Discussion (File CK. 375-4)**

The Committee briefly discussed the top six items they hope to address in relation to reducing greenhouse gas emissions; these are not in any particular order:

- Energy code
- Weir hydro-dam
- Densification
- Better transit
- Renewables
- Industrial emissions

The Committee stated that it would be beneficial to have a yearly or bi-annually GHG emissions report generated that included both Corporate and Community targets.

Ms. Kochar entered the meeting at 11:48 a.m. during consideration of this matter.

The Committee determined that they would benefit from having a dialogue with the various Administration members currently working on some of the priority items listed above. Director of Environmental and Corporate Initiatives Wallace will forward to the Committee Assistant contact names.

General Manager, Corporate Performance Gryba was also present and addressed the Committee.

Project Engineer Richards also in attendance addressed questions of the Committee. He agreed to investigate what external resources are available to the Committee to help with compiling a GHG emission inventory.

**Moved By:** Ms. Aikens

That the information be received

**CARRIED**

**5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR (File CK. 175-9)**

No report of the Chair was presented.

**Moved By:** Mr. Sawatzky

That the information be received

**CARRIED**

**6. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION**

**6.1 Power Generation Portfolio Saskatoon Light & Power (File CK. 2000-5)**

Mr. Nathan Ziegler, with Saskatoon Light & Power (SL&P) was in attendance and presented the Committee with a power point presentation on the matter. The Committee was updated on several SL&P projects and reports being presented to City Council including a proposal for a Hydro Station at the Weir and a Community Solar Power Co-operative.

Discussion followed and Mr. Ziegler responded to questions of the Committee. Electricity Manager Hudson was also in attendance.

**Moved By:** Mr. Sawatzky

That the information be received

**CARRIED**

**6.2 Environmental and Corporate Initiatives Update (File CK. 7550-1)**

Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Director Wallace was in attendance. Ms. Wallace circulated a report on Landfill bans. The Committee was updated on a number of reports being presented to City Council at their May meeting from the Environmental & Corporate Initiatives division.

Project Engineer Richards answered questions of the Committee regarding the status of the Wetland policy. This policy continues to be developed, a predevelopment protocol has been established and a natural area strategy is being worked toward.

Discussion followed.

**Moved By:** Ms. Garg

That the information be received.

**CARRIED**

**7. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES (File CK.1704-5)**

A current Statement of Expenditures was submitted by the Committee Assistant for review by the Committee. The Committee was informed by the Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Wallace that currently there is no opportunity for her division to cost share the expense of hiring a summer student to perform waste audits. The Committee discussed the potential of allocating funds toward a GHG initiative. Ms. Wallace will explore possible opportunities for such a commitment by the Committee.

**Moved By:** Mr. Sawatzky

That the information be received.

**CARRIED**

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

**Moved By:** Dr. Moshiri

That the meeting be adjourned.

**CARRIED**

The meeting adjourned at 12:59 p.m.

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Dr. Michael Hill, Chair