



**PUBLIC MINUTES
SASKATOON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

**November 12, 2015, 11:30 am
Committee Room A, Second Floor, City Hall**

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hill, Chair
Councillor M. Loewen
Ms. A. Bugg
Dr. D. McGrane
Mr. B. Latimer
Mr. S. Homenick
Ms. A. Garg
Ms. N. Kochar
Mr. B. Sawatzky

ABSENT: Ms. K. Aikens, Vice-Chair
Dr. S. Moshiri

ALSO PRESENT: Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives B. Wallace
Committee Assistant D. Sackmann

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order.

2. CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

Moved By: B. Latimer

That the agenda be confirmed as presented.

CARRIED

3. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

Moved By: B. Latimer

1. That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee held on September 10, 2015 be adopted as amended; and
2. That the minutes of Regular Meeting of the Saskatoon Environmental Advisory Committee held on October 8, 2015 be adopted.

CARRIED

4. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR

The Chair advised the Committee this was his last meeting, he has served a total of six years as a member. He extended a thank-you to the Committee members and the Administration for their time and work toward various environmental initiatives over the years, along with well wishes to everyone for 2016.

Moved By: D. McGrane

That the information be received.

CARRIED

6. COMMUNICATIONS

6.1 Integrated Waste Management Annual Report 2014 (File CK. 430-78)

The Committee Assistant submitted a report of the General Manager, Corporate Performance Department, dated October 13, 2015, which was considered at the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services held October 13, 2015; it was resolved that the report be forwarded to SEAC for its information.

Moved By: A. Garg

That the information be received.

CARRIED

6.2 2015 Update to Our Environment: The City of Saskatoon's Environmental Leadership Report (File CK. 7550-1)

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7. REPORTS FROM ADMINISTRATION

7.1 Natural Areas and Wetlands Policy (File CK. 4110-38 x 1700-1)

Mr. Homenick entered the meeting at the onset of this matter at 11:42 a.m.

Director of Planning & Development Wallace was in attendance and updated the Committee on the pre-development protocols for environmental protection. A copy of the *Zoning Bylaw No. 8770, Section 5.45 Pre-Development* was circulated; the bylaw was revised in May 2015. An overview of the bylaw was presented and discussion followed.

Moved By: B. Latimer

That the information be received.

CARRIED

7.2 Environmental and Corporate Initiatives (File CK. 7550-1)

Director of Environmental & Corporate Initiatives Wallace was in attendance and presented a video from Student Action for a Sustainable Future project. The video can be viewed on the City of Saskatoon website.

The Committee was updated on a number of reports presented to the Standing Policy Committee on Environment, Utilities & Corporate Services at its meeting held on November 9, 2015 including Landfill Ban Implementation Considerations, Compact of Mayors, and a letter presented by the Saskatchewan Environment Society with recommendations on best places to start reducing community-wide GHG emissions in Saskatoon, this letter was referred to SEAC for information. The Committee was encouraged to continue its support of the various environmental initiatives that have come before them.

Moved By: S. Homenick

That the information be received.

CARRIED

7.3 Stormwater Management (File CK. 8355-1)

Watershed Protection Manager Yobb was in attendance seeking input from the Committee regarding a stormwater management plan. A PowerPoint presentation was presented and handouts were circulated. A series of questions were included on the Committee's November agenda and these were discussed.

Discussion revolved around various stormwater management components and best practices. It is important to treat rain as a resource and not as a waste.

Moved By: A. Bugg

That the information be received.

CARRIED

8. STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES

A current Statement of Expenditures was submitted by the Committee Assistant for the Committee's review. Discussion followed and it was determined that further information is required in order to properly allocate funds to environmental initiatives supported by the Committee; at present this cannot be done. The Committee's intention is to pursue such initiatives early in 2016.

Moved By: D. McGrane

That the information be received.

CARRIED

9. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 1:10 p.m.

Dr. Michael Hill, Chair

D. Sackmann, Committee Assistant