

Peterborough Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Electronic Meeting

September 15, 2021

Present	Clara Blakelock Dana Jordan Mary Elizabeth Konrad Peter Lafleur Craig Mortlock Sandra Orsatti, Chair Stephanie Rutherford Councillor Zippel
Regrets	Fraser Smith
Staff	Brad Appleby, Planner, Subdivision Control and Special Projects James Byrne, Ultimate Climate Change Coordinator Nolan Drumm, Planning Assistant Natalie Garnett, Deputy Clerk Ken Hetherington, Chief Planner Milan Nguyen, Planner, Policy and Research Michael Papadacos, Manager, Infrastructure Planning Alexey Shcherbin, Assistant Planner

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. and the members introduced themselves.

Confirmation of Minutes

Moved by Stephanie Rutherford

That the minutes of the meeting of June 16, 2021 be approved.

Carried

Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

Craig Mortlock declared a conflict with item 5C, as his business may be involved with the Fire Hall project.

Consent Agenda

Moved by Peter Lafleur

That item 5.c. be passed as part of the Consent Agenda.

Carried

Reports and Communications

Climate Initiatives Update

Report PEAC21-023

Moved by Peter Lafleur

That the PEAC approve the recommendation outlined in Report PEAC21-023 dated September 15, 2021 of the Manager of Infrastructure Management Division, as follows:

That the report be received for information.

Carried

Bird Friendly City and Bee City Canada Certification Requirements

Report PEAC21-022

Moved by Councillor Zippel

That this item be deferred to a future meeting in 2022.

Carried

Final Draft Official Plan

Report PEAC21-021

Moved by Dana Jordan

That the Peterborough Environmental Advisory Committee approve the recommendation outlined in Report PEAC21-021 dated September 15, 2021, of the Chief Planner as follows:

That the presentation from the Planning Division regarding the Final Draft Official Plan be received for information and that the following comments be provided to Planning staff:

- a) The final draft is an impressive document that is well balanced and holistic in addressing competing land use priorities.**

- b) **Climate change must appear early in the document and be a key feature of the OP emphasizing:**
- **The urgency of the climate crisis with an affirmation of the city's commitment to action upheld by the land use policies enshrined in this OP**
 - **Recognition that Climate Change is one of the most important factors influencing the health, safety, and future prosperity of our community**
 - **Highlight the influence that climate change will have on planning and infrastructure looking outward to the end of the plan in 2051**
 - **State the targets and dates from city council's 2019 Climate Change Emergency Declaration, and highlight that our first greenhouse gas emissions milestone is in 2030, which is only 9 years away from this new OP**
- c) **The language be strengthened (i.e. "encourage" and "consider" to "shall" or "will" statements). PEAC believes the OP is a better document where it is specific and more prescriptive.**
- d) **Radical changes need to be made in the early years of the OP if we plan to reach a decarbonized future by 2051.**
- e) **The OP needs to address the changes that are coming in terms of alternative fuel sources, modes of transportation, green infrastructure and low impact development.**
- f) **PEAC believes that the OP should address how the goals of the plan are monitored and evaluated.**

Carried

Other Business

Staff will provide the Committee with information regarding an inventory of brownfield lands and possible future uses.

Next Meeting - October 20, 2021

Adjournment

Moved by Craig Mortlock

That this meeting adjourn at 7:23 p.m.

Carried

Natalie Garnett

Deputy Clerk

Sandra Orsatti

Chair