

CITY OF SALMON ARM

Minutes of the **Environmental Advisory Committee** Meeting held in person in Council Chambers at City Hall and by virtual means on Tuesday, **October 3, 2023** at 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor Sylvia Lindgren	City of Salmon Arm, Chair
Julia Beatty	Shuswap Climate Action
Janet Pattinson	Shuswap Naturalist Club
Carmen Fennel	Citizen at Large (entered the meeting at 2:45 p.m.)
Ceran Caner	Citizen at Large (alternate)
Judith Benson	Salmon Arm Bay Nature Enhancement Society (SABNES)
Luke Gubbels	Canoe Forest Products
Jennifer Wilson	City of Salmon Arm, Service Delivery Management Coordinator

ABSENT:

Christina Thomas	Adams Lake Indian Band
	Neskonlith Indian Band
	Agricultural Industry
Travis Elwood	School District No. 83
Sharon Bennett	Citizen at Large
Sarah Johnson	Citizen at Large
Pauline Waelti	Shuswap Environment Action Society (SEAS)

GUESTS:

Chelie Elsom
Hermann Bruns

The meeting was called to order at 2:34 p.m.

1. **Introductions and Welcome**

2. **Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory**

We acknowledge that we are gathering here on the traditional territory of the Secwepemc people, with whom we share these lands and where we live and work together.

3. **Approval/changes/additions to Agenda**

Moved: Luke Gubbels

Seconded: Carmen Fennel

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda of October 3, 2023 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Approval of Minutes from September 5, 2023

Moved: Janet Pattinson

Seconded: Luke Gubbels

THAT: the Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting of September 5, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Presentations

6. Old Business/Arising from Minutes

a) UBCM Resolutions EB32 and EB33 - update

Councillor Lindgren provided an update on these Resolutions from the UBCM Convention September 18 - 22, 2023. The Resolutions were passed and the UBCM will move these Resolutions forward to the Province.

b) November 7, 2023 presentation by Air Quality Meteorologist – provide input on topics for presentation

The Committee members outlined topics of interest for the air quality team's presentation on November 7, 2023. Staff will send topics to Gavin King for his presentation at next meeting.

7. New Business

a) Low Carbon Resiliency Plan (Climate Action Plan) RFP Development
Jennifer Wilson presented the City Staff brainstorm of past, current and potential future Climate related projects aligned with the Clean BC pillars.
Note: Brainstorm sheet is a preliminary list of staff's thoughts and previous report recommendations only and has not been reviewed or endorsed by Council in anyway.

JW reviewed action plan for the EAC to research and help prepare the terms of reference for the upcoming Low Carbon Resiliency Plan Request for Proposals (RFP). The Committee's first step is to review other communities completed plans for overall likes, dislikes to help create a plan for the final product. Councilor Lindgren to send out brainstorm sheet with a list of acronyms and associated definitions.

- b) **Annual Education Campaign**
Councillor Lindgren proposed an annual education campaign plan to be prepared by the EAC to be distributed by the City. A portion of the Terms of Reference of the EAC is education on environmental topics. Committee to discuss creating a plan at a future meeting with a goal of one topic per month.
- c) **2024 Budget**
Committee discussed any required funding for climate action projects in 2024. A small amount of funding for the Education Campaign was discussed as beneficial. Councillor Lindgren and staff to confirm appropriate process to request.

8. Other Business & / or Roundtable Updates

- a) Hermann Bruns expressed interest in membership on the Committee as a representative of the Agricultural Industry.

Moved: Luke Gubbels

Seconded: Janet Pattinson

THAT: the Committee endorse Hermann Bruns as the Agricultural Industry representative.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

9. Next Meeting - November 7, 2023

10. Adjournment

Moved: Julia Beatty

Seconded: Judith Benson

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting of October 3, 2023 be adjourned.

The Meeting was adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Councillor Sylvia Lindgren, Chair

Received for information by Council the _____ day of _____, 2023.