

SUSTAINABILITY WORKING GROUP Minutes of October 14, 2021

Present: Ashton Romany, Harold O'Kafka, Dean Peachey, Jennifer Pfenning, Leslie Nanibush

Regrets: Bruce Baechler, Tova Davidson, John Jordon, Jeff Molenhuis

Time and Location: October 14, 2021 – 10:00am to 11:00am

The meeting was recorded and posted to youtube

1. **Welcome**
2. **Land Acknowledgement**
3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest under the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act**
No disclosures were raised or identified.

4. **Review of Previous Meeting Minutes**
No amendments to previous minutes.
MOVED by: L. Nanibush
SECONDED by: D. Peachy
ALL in Favor

5. Business

a. Zero-Emission Vehicle Infrastructure Program (EV Stations) Update

A. Romany informed the committee that the charging stations would be installed by the end of the year, as per the Region of Waterloo Requirements.

b. Sustainability Work Program

No updates.

c. TransformWR 80x50 Action Item List Review

The committee gave feedback on the item list review.

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H. O’Krafka will send the committee a transportation network map that should give more context to the active transportation section.

A. Romany informed the committee that he is on a Reep committee looking at a loan energy retrofit program as per Action 3.1.9

H. O’Krafka will share what a 15-minute neighbourhood would look like in Baden. The 15 min walkability plan includes walkability and bikeability that includes all growth areas of Baden to 2031 and beyond.

d. Zero Waste Month Update

L. Nanibush informed the committee that Zero Waste Month started last week with an email to all staff and councillors. October 16th to October 23rd is the official REEP one-week challenge. J. Pfenning has challenged her fellow councillors to participate. Status will be shared on twitter and facebook.

6. New Business

a. Tree Canopy Policy Update

O. Krafka update that the Tree Canopy Policy will become a capital budget item for 2022. The Township intends to hire a consultant to develop Terms of Reference and determine what resources will be needed going forward. The committee were in agreement that this policy is needed and are looking forward to updates.

7. Correspondence

None.

8. Roundtable / Information Sharing

A. Romany noted that the meeting scheduled for November will fall on Remembrance Day. Because of this, the committee will meet on December 9th 2021.

9. Adjournment

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