

# THE CORPORATION OF THE MUNICIPALITY OF KINCARDINE

## Kincardine Community Environment Committee Minutes

Wednesday, April 6, 2022

Members Present      Amanda Saxton  
                                 Councillor Dorne Fitzsimmons  
                                 Katie Wilken

Members Absent      Emma Paul  
                                 Richard Robson

Staff Present           Adam Weishar  
                                 Olivia Kempel, Secretary

### 1. Call to Order

The Kincardine Community Environment Committee meeting of The Corporation of the Municipality of Kincardine was called to Order at 1:03 pm on April 6, 2022 electronically.

#### 1.1 **Land Acknowledgment Statement**

The Chair opened the meeting with the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

### 2. Additions/Deletions/Amendments to the Agenda

#### **Resolution # 04/06/2022 - 01**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Dorne Fitzsimmons

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee add to the agenda, items 6.3, Committee Social Media Account Proposal; 6.4, Terms of Reference Review; 6.5, Committee Logo Development; and 6.6, Sunday Market Booth Idea.

Carried.

3. **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None noted.

4. **Adoption of Minutes**

**Resolution # 04/06/2021 - 02**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Katie Wilken

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee minutes of the meeting of Wednesday, March 2, 2022 be approved as presented.

Carried.

5. **Outstanding Business**

**5.1 Earth Week Plan**

The Committee discussed the various Earth Week initiatives planned to include a spotlight of local "green" businesses, a tree planting event planned, a planned community clean up event in partnership with the Kincardine Trails Association, Bar Down and Tim Hortons Kincardine.

**Resolution # 04/06/2022 - 03**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Katie Wilken

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee allocate \$1,000, given that there is sufficient funds available within the 2022 budget, for a tree planting event for Earth Day.

Carried.

**Resolution # 04/06/2022 - 04**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Katie Wilken

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee partner with the Kincardine Trails Association and Bar Down for hosting a community clean up event to be held April 22 to May 2, 2022 that will be sponsored by Tim Hortons Kincardine and 7Acres/Canopy Growth Corporation.

Carried.

**5.2 Community Engagement Event**

Katie to bring back further details regarding the event.

**5.3 Armow Landfill Site Update**

Adam provided the Committee with an update, stating that this item will be further reviewed when there is sufficient staffing available.

**5.4 Private Tree By-law Update**

Adam provided an update to the Committee regarding the Private Tree By-law/Policy. Staff suggested that the best course of action would be to create a policy to be considered by Council. The proposed timeline would include presentation of the final draft to Council in July following public input and policy research.

**5.5 Water Bottle Filling Stations Update**

Amanda provided the Committee with an update on the water bottle filling stations at the Davidson Centre and the Splash Pad. An update will need to be provided at a later time regarding a possible station at the splash pad. The Lions Club had also advised that the current fountain will not be removed as it was donated in memorial. Next steps will include the research for a filling station at Station Beach dependant on available funds in the budget.

**5.6 "Greening Businesses" Initiative Update**

The Committee discussed the possibility of introducing a "Greening Businesses" initiative that included a recognition program for local businesses. Program details still to be determined at a later meeting date.

**6. New Business**

**6.1 Climate Change Action Plan**

The Committee discussed the option of the Municipality of Kincardine creating a Municipal Climate Change Action Plan. The Committee agreed that further research would need to be attained before the plan can be developed.

**Resolution # 04/06/2022 - 05**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Katie Wilken

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee recommend to Council the creation of a Municipal Climate Change Action Plan for the Municipality of Kincardine.

Carried.

## **6.2 Using Native Plants for Landscaping**

Amanda provided the Committee with an update on her research regarding native plants to the Municipality. Various nurseries outside of the area have native species available for purchasing. Further details and discussion on initiatives to inform the public on native species to be determined and brought back to a future meeting.

## **6.3 Committee Social Media Account Proposal**

This item to be brought back to the May Committee meeting to be further discussed following discussions with the Strategic Initiatives Department staff.

## **6.4 Committee Terms of Reference Review**

This item will be brought back to the May Committee meeting to be further discussed.

## **7. Financial Report**

The Committee requested clarification regarding the available budget remaining for 2022 projects and initiatives.

## **8. Correspondence**

None noted.

## **9. Schedule of Meetings**

The next scheduled Kincardine Community Environment Committee meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 4, 2022 at 1:00pm.

## **10. Adjournment**

**Resolution # 04/06/2022 - 06**

**Moved by:** Amanda Saxton

**Seconded by:** Dorne Fitzsimmons

THAT the Kincardine Community Environment Committee adjourn.

Carried.

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Chair

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Secretary

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