



Hamilton

CLIMATE CHANGE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES CCAC 25-002

6:00 p.m.

February 25, 2025

Room 264

2nd Floor, City Hall

Present: Councillors C. Kroetsch (virtually), and A. Wilson
I. Borsuk (Co-Chair), G. Kalapos (Co-Chair), B. Akomolafe, G. Casimirri,
J. Harti, S. Heenan, J. Hudecki, A. Khetan, Z. Kuszczak, F. Lenarduzzi,
T. Maclaurin, S. Rempel, M. Scanlon, M. Sergeant and M. Velasco

Absent with

Regrets: Councillor C. Cassar – City Business / Personal
J. Boyer, G. Henry, M. Tutty, E. Smoke.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Co-Chair, I. Borsuk called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. CEREMONIAL ACTIVITIES

2.1 Land Acknowledgement

Co-Chair I. Borsuk read the Land Acknowledgement.

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

(Heenan/ Rempel)

That the agenda for the February 25, 2025, Climate Change Advisory Committee meeting, be approved, as presented.

CARRIED

4. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

5.1 January 28, 2025

(Heenan/Kalapos).

That the Minutes of the January 28, 2025, Climate Change Advisory Committee, be adopted, as presented.

CARRIED

6. DELEGATION

There were no delegations.

7. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

7.1 Urban Forest Strategy Update

Robyn Pollard, Manager, Forestry and Horticulture, Public Works provided an update on the Urban Forest Strategy.

7.2 Green Building Standards: Update

Antoni Paleshi, WSP and Mallory Smith, Planner, Zoning By-law Reform, Planning and Economic Development addressed Committee respecting an update on the Green Building Standards with the aid of a presentation.

7.3 Office of Climate Change Initiatives Updates

Lynda Lukasik, Director, gave updates and sought advice from the Committee regarding the Climate Change Reserve priority lists.

7.4 Climate Change Advisory Committee Working Group Updates

Shelley Rempel provided updates from the Community Engagement and Climate Justice Working Group.

Giuliana Casimirri provided updates from the Nature Based Solutions Working Group.

(Heenan/Kalapos)

That the following Items for Information, be received:

- (a) Urban Forest Strategy Update (Item 7.1)
- (b) Green Building Standards Update (Item 7.2)
- (c) Office of Climate Change Initiatives Updates (Item 7.3)
- (d) Climate Change Advisory Committee Working Group Updates (Item 7.4)

CARRIED

8. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no Items for Consideration.

9. MOTIONS

There were no Motions.

10. NOTICES OF MOTION

There were no Notices of Motion.

11. GENERAL INFORMATION / OTHER BUSINESS

11.1 Building Climate Awareness: The Role of the Climate Change Advisory Committee

The Committee discussed identifying climate action implementation in the community; building relationships with community partners; exploring opportunities with community partners and hosting a Climate Fair event in the fall.

11.2 Climate Change Advisory Committee: Seats

(Kalapos/Heenan)

WHEREAS, the Climate Change Advisory Committee currently has two vacancies as a result of resignations.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Climate Change Advisory Committee requests the two vacancies be filled as soon as possible.

CARRIED

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Climate Change Advisory Committee adjourned at 7.56 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Beatrice Ekoko
Staff Liaison
Climate Change Advisory
Committee

Ian Borsuk
Co-Chair,
Climate Change Advisory Committee