# **TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS Climate Action Committee**

#### **AGENDA**

Wednesday May 19th, 2021

7:00-8:30pm Via Zoom

- 1. Opening of Meeting
- 2. Approval of Agenda
- 3. Delegations

None

- 4. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest
- **5. Adoption of Minutes** April 28, 2021
- 6. Council Update Report
- 7. Old Business
  - a) FCM/MEP Project Update
  - In addition to project updates provided in an email on Tuesday May 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Climate Change Coordinator position will be terminated May 28<sup>th</sup> extension on contract, despite funding availability has been denied at Central Manitoulin Council meeting as of Thursday May 13<sup>th</sup>
  - FCM/MEP have been notified that both Central and Billings have decided to terminate Climate Change Coordinator position on May 28<sup>th</sup> and are both aware that project will not be complete by May 28<sup>th</sup>
  - Document design costs see attached memo
  - a) Draft CEEP
- 8. New Business
- 9. Correspondence

None

- 10. Next Meeting
- 11. Adjournment

# TOWNSHIP OF BILLINGS MINUTES Climate Action Committee (CAC)

April 28 24, 2021

Virtual Meeting – Zoom@7pm

PRESENT: Mayor Anderson, Councillor Bryan Barker, Councillor Jackson, Bob Clifford, Paul Darlaston, John Hoekstra, Chris Theijsmeijer, Chief Administrative Officer (CAO/Deputy Treasurer), Climate Change Coordinator (CCC), Economic Development Officer (EDO)

REGRETS: None.

#### **PUBLIC MEMBERS:**

Lori Thompson - Manitoulin Expositor, Barb Erksine

### **Opening of Meeting**

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 pm by moved P. Darlaston and J Hoekstra

Carried

#### Approval of Agenda

Motion by C. Theijsmeijer and B. Clifford That the agenda for the April 28, 2021 meeting be accepted.

Carried

#### **Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None.

# **Adoption of Minutes**

Motion by P. Darlaston and B. Clifford

That the minutes from the March 24, 2021 meeting be accepted.

Carried

Motion by J. Heokstra and C. Theijsmeijer

That the minutes from the April 7, 2021 meeting be accepted.

Carried

#### Delegation

None.

#### **Council Report**

No new business arising from Council for CAC

#### **Old Business:**

- a) Climate Engagement Survey Summary & Report on Results
  - Released on township website and social media on Earth Day
  - Remarks Ethelo did a great job clarifying information and summary of report was good to provide members of the public with an overview of the results
- b) Climate Change Coordinator Contract end date May 28, 2021
  - o Question: Any updates on partnerships? What after May28th?
  - What happens to Climate Action Committee after May 28<sup>th</sup>?
  - Councillor Barker responds plan moving forward is on the radar and partnerships with Central Manitoulin and other organizations will continue to be worked on between now and May 28<sup>th</sup> to ensure continuity of planning into the implementation stages

# **New Business**

**Draft CEEP Review by Section:** 

	Staff Check
	List on edits

Mayors Message	Composting at landfill could be updated but discussion amongst committee resolved that as written connects well to CEEP vision and objectives and the direction the plan is headed.	N/A signature required before printing
Indigenous Land Acknowledgement	Factual correction – Manitoulin Island land is not associated with the Robinson Huron Treaty – there are two Manitoulin Island Treaties 1836 and 1862. Wiikwemkoong is of course still unceded to is not incorporated under the UCCM.	Done
Letter from 2050	Committee content with it as written C.Theijsmeijer has a picture of Go Green Team to include – will send to CCC	Done
Executive Summary	TBD – once rest of CEEP is complete	Done
Table of Contents	No comments	
Vision	Pg. 7 Repeat sentences corrected in meeting  Pg. 8 Percentages of GHG influenced by municipality/community adjusted in meeting	Done
	Pg. 9 Adjust CEEP graphic – green on white hard to see	
	Pg. 10 Billings Strategic Plan – consider including updated vision statement in the CEEP if it ready before deadline	
	Pg. 10-11 Previous work done by the municipality with respect to environmental responsibility	
	Still updating streetlighting project – support from committee members to but new hydro bill values and pay back period for this project in the CEEP.	
	CCC advised committee members that Central Manitoulin will be including an overview of the project as an appendix in the CEEP	
	Pg. 11 Infographic – suggestions on making this graph clearer. CCC noted suggestions in draft CEEP document and will revisit before next draft	
	Pg. 12 No significant comments – CAC agreed with targets and vision set for each category	
	Comments: no specific GHG sequestration target is	

	included because this is difficult to project without a Natural Asset Inventory. Once we do have one we can make targets for protection, preservation and enhancement.	
	Pg. 13 Co-benefits – review verb tenses used throughout table 2 – may need grammatical adjustments	
	Adjustment to innovation description to make it shorter – done in meeting	
Taking Action Section	No comments yet – discussion ended on CEEP for now	

# **Committee Roundtable:**

Overall impressions of CEEP draft at this time – all good comments and encouragement to continue pursuing outline for collaborative approach and implementation section with project suggestions and next steps

# Correspondence

None

Information

None

**Notices of Motion** 

None

**Closed Session** 

n/a

**Next Meeting:** 

Most complete draft CEEP as possible that Council could accept – target due date for release to CAC by  $\,$  May  $\,$   $7^{th}$  or  $\,$   $10^{th}$ 

CAC meeting May 12th

Council meeting May 17th

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 8:33 p.m. on a motion by P. Darlaston