

## **CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON**

The Township of Melancthon Environmental Sustainability Committee held a meeting on October 1, 2021 at 10:01 a.m. electronically through ZOOM. The following members were present: Chair; Margaret Mercer, Wayne Hannon and Darren White. Also present were: Donna Funston, Environmental Sustainability Committee Secretary, Sarah Culshaw, Treasurer/Deputy Clerk.

### **1. Chair Mercer called the meeting to order at 10:01 a.m**

### **2. Land Acknowledgement Statement**

Chair Mercer read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

### **3. Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda**

- Moved by Hannon, Seconded by White, that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

### **4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest**

None.

### **5. Approval of Draft Minutes – September 1, 2021**

- Moved by Hannon, Seconded by White, the minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Committee held on September 1, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried.

### **6. Business Arising from the Minutes**

#### **7. General Business**

1. Report from Sarah Culshaw, Treasurer – Update Regarding Grant Funding

Sarah reviewed her report with the Committee reporting that grant funding is available and is not as much of an object as resources. Grants are available depending on the direction of the committee, a specific plan needs to be put together to apply for a grant. An option is to partner with the County because they have a knowledgeable team. Suggested to have Sara Wicks, Manager of Climate and Energy – County of Dufferin and Louise Heyming, Supervisor of Conservation Outreach – GRCA to be delegations in November. Sarah will invite both to the November meeting. Discussion regarding a plan for the committee and items to be included, the plan will be long term and seasonal. Discussion about tree fences and that agricultural grants can be for residents too but the public is not always aware of that, with educating the public this could become known.

2. Phragmites Update from Roads Meeting held September 8, 2021

Discussion about options the Committee can look at regarding phragmites on private property and possibly looking at what other municipalities are doing. This is something that has to be kept at each year to keep it under control.

3. Other/Addition(s)

**8. Confirmation of Meeting**

- Moved by Hannon, Seconded by White, that all actions of the Members and Officers of the Environmental Sustainability Committee with respect to every matter addressed and/or adopted by the Committee on the above date be hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed; and each motion, resolution and other actions taken by the Committee Members and Officers at the meeting held on the above date are hereby adopted, ratified and confirmed. Carried.

**9. Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting**

- Moved by Hannon, Seconded by White, that we adjourn the Environmental Sustainability Committee at 11:06 a.m. to meet again on October 1, 2021 at 10:35 a.m. to meet again on Friday November 5, 2021 at 10:30 a.m or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

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CHAIR

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SECRETARY