

CORPORATION OF THE TOWNSHIP OF MELANCTHON

The Township of Melancthon Environmental Sustainability Committee held a meeting on October 7, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. electronically through ZOOM. The following members were present: Chair; Councillor Mercer, Mayor White and Councillor Neilson. Also present was: Donna Funston, Secretary Environmental Sustainability Committee.

1. Chair Mercer called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m

2. Land Acknowledgement Statement

Chair Mercer read the Land Acknowledgement Statement.

3. Additions/Deletions/Approval of Agenda

- Moved by Neilson, Seconded by Mercer, that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried.

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest or Conflict of Interest

None.

5. Delegations

None.

6. Approval of Draft Minutes – September 16, 2022

-Moved by Neilson, Seconded by White, the minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Committee held on September 16, 2022 be approved as circulated. Carried.

7. Business Arising from the Minutes

1. Email Chain with Scott Martin and the County Process regarding Phragmites

It was noted that the County has signs in the ditches making people aware spray has been used.

8. General Business

1. Phragmites Update

No new spots need to be added to the Melancthon mapping, majority of the plants have dropped seeds. Chair Mercer will request that an item be added to the Council agenda package so the ESC can deal with Melancthon roads. Discussion will be for spraying phragmites, educating the public and adding money to the budget.

2. Discussion on Energy Efficiency for Township Buildings

Discussed and viewed the Dufferin County Climate Action Plan, specifically pages 50-54. Discussed Melancthon buildings (Office, Shop and New Building) and things that have already been done and possible future projects to become more energy efficient. It was noted that transportation is number one for climate change.

3. Other/Addition(s)

Discussed turbines and that anything in the future should come through this committee. It was noted that the municipality has no say in planning for turbine projects but to be up to date the documentation should be reviewed and this committee should be where the information flows through. Chair Mercer will request that TransAlta be a delegation at the next Council.

Discussion on the role of Conservation Authority and different rebate programs that are available.

9. Confirmation of Meeting

- Moved by White, Seconded by Neilson, 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.

10. Adjournment and Date of Next Meeting

- Moved by Neilson, Seconded by White, that we adjourn the Environmental Sustainability Committee at 11:05 a.m. to meet again on Friday November 4, 2022 at 10:00 a.m. or at the call of the Chair. Carried.

CHAIR

SECRETARY