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Environment Advisory Committee

Thursday Jan. 25, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. at the Cardiff Municipal Office

Members Present:

Suzanne Partridge (Chair)
Andrew von Zuben
Jim Sangster
Michael March

Staff Members Present:

Joanne Vanier, Committee Coordinator

Regrets:

Shannon Hunter, CAO/Treasurer
Roger Williams
Dave Burton

1. Call to order – 7:05 PM
2. Disclosure of pecuniary interest – None
3. Agenda adopted with addition of County Environment Joint Meeting
4. Minutes from the Oct 12, 2017 adopted
5. Green Burial Report carried forward to February meeting.
6. Climate Change Info from Presentation
The presentation consisted primarily of general information on Climate change with few specifics of what could be done. New Building codes coming into effect will have minimum standards that could be improved upon.
Green funding is available from for home owners, small businesses and organization through greenon.ca. Some investigation need to be done to see who could benefit from the programs.
7. Earth Day Cleanup
Earth Day will be on Saturday, April 28th. Suzanne has drafted a letter to be emailed to various community groups asking for their participation and response by March 1st.
Groups will include:
Gooderham Action Group (already an active participant)
Cardiff & Wilberforce Schools (they could participate through the week)
Legions in Cardiff & Wilberforce
Highland Grove Heritage Group–approach Joanne Burrows and John Jamieson
Irondale Historic Society –approach Carol Simmons
Other committees of council
AGBA
Cottage and Lake Assoc. –Suzanne and Cec have some contact info
Joanne will email the letters out as soon as possible.

At our March committee meeting we can review the groups that are participating and approve our poster and ad materials.

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8. County Environment Committees Joint Meeting

A joint meeting of the various municipal environment committees will be held on Monday, Jan. 29th. Suzanne and Jim plan to be in attendance.

Suggestions that could be brought forward are:

-Municipal committees joining into a group committee to provide a united voice to provincial representatives.

-Earth Day clean up promoted throughout the county.

9. Blue Dot Letter of Support

Andrew edited the Letter of support regarding changes to the Environmental Protection act and it was presented to council, approved, signed and emailed to the Minister of Environment and Climate change and the Minister of Health.

10. Next Meeting – Feb. 15, 2018, 7:00 pm Cardiff Community Centre

11. Meeting Adjourned 7:55 pm