#### CITY OF SALMON ARM

Minutes of the **Environmental Advisory Committee** Meeting held by virtual means on Friday, **November 18, 2022** at 2:30 p.m.

### PRESENT:

Councillor Sylvia Lindgren City of Salmon Arm, Chair Julia Beatty Shuswap Climate Action Janet Pattinson Shuswap Naturalist Club

Pauline Waelti Shuswap Environment Action Society (SEAS)

Sharon Bennett Citizen at Large
Travis Elwood School District No. 83
Luke Gubbels Canoe Forest Products

Jenn Wilson City of Salmon Arm, Service Delivery Management Coordinator

Rhonda West City of Salmon Arm, Recorder

#### ABSENT:

Adams Lake Indian Band
Christina Thomas Neskonlith Indian Band
Carmen Fennell Citizen at Large
Barrie Voth Agricultural Industry

Janet AitkenSalmon Arm Bay Nature Enhancement Society (SABNES)Warren BellCanadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE)

Michael Simpson Citizen at Large

Jessica Klikach Salmon Arm Fish and Game Club

#### **GUESTS:**

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The meeting was called to order at 2:43 p.m.

#### 1. Introductions and Welcome

# 2. Acknowledgement of Traditional Territory

We acknowledge that we are gathering here on the traditional territory of the Secwepemc people, with whom we share these lands and where we live and work together.

## 3. Approval/changes/additions to Agenda

Moved: Janet Pattinson Seconded: Luke Gubbels

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda of November 18,

2022 be approved with the following additions:

Meeting times

• Tree planting grant

# 4. Approval of Minutes from September 9, 2022

Moved: Pauline Waelti Seconded: Janet Pattinson

THAT: the Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting of

September 9, 2022 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

#### 5. Presentations

# 6. Old Business/Arising from Minutes

# a) Working Group Update - Bylaw Review - Tree Removal and Protection Bylaw No. 2305 and Pesticide Use Bylaw No. 3744

<u>Tree Removal Bylaw</u> -

Pesticide Use Bylaw -

Moved: Janet Pattinson Seconded: Travis Elwood

THAT: Members of the Environmental Advisory Committee present the committee's recommendations on Tree Removal and Protection Bylaw No. 2305 and Pesticide Use Bylaw No. 3744 at a Regular Meeting of the City of Salmon Arm Council.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

There was agreement to present at the January 9, 2023 Regular Council Meeting.

## b) Urban Tree Bylaw revision - J. Beatty

Julia noted that the links are provided as information and highlight and acknowledge that trees and greenery are an important asset. Jenn provided an update that the City has the ability to track natural assets and have started that process. There was agreement to add the references to the bylaw recommendations.

## c) Presentation to Council on Bylaw review

Previously discussed.

### d) Committee Work Plan review

The Committee Work Plan was reviewed and Sylvia will send out a copy to members via email. There was agreement to review and prioritize at the next meeting.

Sylvia provided a background history with respect to a Climate Action Plan. Jenn noted that a proposal has been submitted for budget consideration for climate action work and noted that this type of work is best moved forward with a consultant.

#### 7. New Business

## a) Community Wildfire Protection Plan Tour – EAC Feedback – J. Beatty

Julia noted that four members participated and there was discussion on how issues may be mitigated. Recommendations have been forwarded to the City of Salmon Arm.

## 8. Other Business & / or Roundtable Updates

## a) Meeting Times

It was noted that quorum has become difficult to obtain for committee meetings. Committee members agreed that 2:30 p.m. time worked best for meetings to be held on Tuesday/Wednesday or Thursday during the week. Sylvia will send out a doodle poll for meetings dates up to June, 2023.

## b) Tree Planting Grant

BC Hydro provides a grant to communities to plant trees in recognition of Earth Day. Jenn will look into if the City is interested in partnering on an application.

# 9. Next Meeting - December 9, 2022

## 10. Adjournment

Moved: Janet Pattinson Seconded: Pauline Waelti

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting of November 18, 2022 be

adjourned.

**CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY** 

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The meeting ended at 4:00 p.m.

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Councillor Sylvia Lindgren, Chair

Received for information by Council the 28th day of November, 2022.