

CITY OF SALMON ARM

Minutes of the **Environmental Advisory Committee** Meeting held in person in Room 100 at City Hall and by virtual means on Tuesday, **March 7, 2023** at 2:30 p.m.

PRESENT:

Councillor Sylvia Lindgren
Julia Beatty
Janet Pattinson
Pauline Waelti
Carmen Fennell
Michael Simpson
Barrie Voth
Travis Elwood
Luke Gubbels
Jennifer Wilson
Rhonda West

City of Salmon Arm, Chair
Shuswap Climate Action
Shuswap Naturalist Club
Shuswap Environment Action Society (SEAS)
Citizen at Large
Citizen at Large
Agricultural Industry
School District No. 83
Canoe Forest Products
City of Salmon Arm, Service Delivery Management Coordinator
City of Salmon Arm, Recorder

ABSENT:

Christina Thomas
Janet Aitkin
Sharon Bennett

Adams Lake Indian Band
Neskonlith Indian Band
Salmon Arm Bay Nature Enhancement Society (SABNES)
Citizen at Large

GUESTS:

Ceren Caner

The meeting was called to order at 2:30 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: Carmen Fennell

Seconded: Pauline Waelti

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Agenda of March 7, 2023 be approved as circulated.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Approval of Minutes from February 7, 2023

Moved: Carmen Fennell

Seconded: Pauline Waelti

THAT: the Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting of February 7, 2023 be approved.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. Presentations

6. Old Business/Arising from Minutes

a) Review of Presentation to Council – Response to Council questions

Moved: Janet Pattinson

Seconded: Luke Gubbels

THAT: the Response to Council questions document be forwarded to Council for review at a Regular Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

b) Committee Work Plan review

The two working groups were reviewed: 1) Food Security – Janet Pattinson, Pauline Waelti and Barrie Voth; and 2) Biodiversity and Riparian Health – Julia Beatty, Janet Aitken, Sharon Bennett and Ceran Caner. An email will be sent to each group providing contact information so that groups can begin to connect.

Jennifer Wilson provided an update on projects that the Committee could potentially provide input.

c) Earth Day – April 22, 2023 – events update

Julia Beatty provided an update on activities for Earth Day. There will be an EV exhibition, Indigenous storytelling, children's storytime and 9-10 booths from various groups including the City of Salmon Arm.

7. New Business

a) Working groups – Food Security and Biodiversity and Riparian health

See 6 (b).

b) BC Step Code amendments

Julia Beatty noted that there will be changes to the BC Step Code effective May 1, 2023. These changes enable 20% better energy efficiency. Jennifer Wilson provided an update on the City's step process and that builders are aware of the upcoming changes.

8. Other Business & / or Roundtable Updates

Each sector provided an update on activities and events.

9. Next Meeting – April 4, 2023

10. Adjournment

Moved: Pauline Waelti

Seconded: Julia Beatty

THAT: the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting of March 7, 2023 be adjourned.

The Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting of March 7, 2023 was adjourned at 3:55 p.m.

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Councillor Sylvia Lindgren, Chair

Received for information by Council the 13th day of March, 2023.