

Mayor's Task Force on Climate Change (MTFCC)

Minutes

Date:	21 Sept/16	Time:	1:30	Location:	Council Chambers
Chair:	Mayor Fortin	Note taker:	MB	Type of meeting	
Attendees:	Kevin Taylor (KT)	Michael Healey (MH)			
	Wayne Power (WP)	Cindy Fortin –(CF) - Mayor			
	Debbie Cox (DC)	Terry Condon (TC) -Councillor			
	Bert Put (BP)	Marjorie Brims (MB)			
Agenda Topics					
Approval of Agenda:	Approval of 21 Sept /16 agenda. Moved by MH.				
Adoption of Minutes:	Adoption of 14 July /16 minutes. Moved by CF.				
Topic:	Report: <i>Response to the OCP Process</i>	Presenter:	MH and MB		
Discussion:	MH reported that MB and MH had drafted and circulated a response for review by members. Questions included -- “who and how does the updating of the GHG emissions” target? Can we set some short -term goals and make recommendations to Council? Have we reviewed/ analyzed the CARIP report recently? TC commented that we can determine our own numbers but advised caution as grant funds may be affected by outcomes. BP reminded the committee that work had been done previously on a micro-hydro project—would it be economically viable now? Have other IPPs been successful? MH questioned if the effect of the solar panels on the Community Centre roof had been determined? WP and DC requested that the final version be posted on our webpage if fits in with OCP Communication Plan.				
Conclusion:	Consensus that the format and content of the report reflected our concerns and with any additional input, should be sent to the OCP Process team and Council				
Moved by:	TC				
Action Items		Responsible		Timeline	
1.	Members to send any additions to MH or MB	All		Friday 23 rd PM	
2.	Incorporate feedback and send to OCP, Council	MH and MB		30 Sept /16	
3.	Contact staff re solar panel impact on utility bill	KT		16 Nov/ 16	
4.	Contact staff re OCP Communication Plan	KT		30 Sept/16	
5.	Obtain list of IPPs in BC for review	BP		16 Nov /16	
Topic:	Report: <i>Electric Vehicle Drive Week</i>	Presenter:	TC		
Discussion:	TC reported that Council accepted our recommendation to waive the user fees (\$58) for use of the District space for this event. CF and TC attended and enjoyed the variety of vehicles (x16) - from the Nissan Leaf to the high-end Tesla (x4)				
Conclusion:	Pleased to assist in a local demonstration of new, energy-efficient technology.				
Moved by:	WP				
Action Items		Responsible		Timeline	

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Topic:	Report: <i>Electric Sub-committee</i>	Presenter:	TC and MH
Discussion:	<p>1. TC reported on his ongoing work re; obtaining a local EV charging station. He is in conversation with B. Namson, who is working to persuade Tesla to move (from West Kelowna, Mission Hill) or add one of its charging stations to Peachland, at their cost, due to its ideal location at the junction of the Connector, and on Hwy 97. (On review of the Tesla website 23/09/16- they intend to double their charging stations in 2017.MB) A Level 2 charging station would benefit owners who are running low on charge before going onto/ coming off the Connector. TC introduced us to 'Plug in BC' the Fraser Basin Council newsletter on electric vehicles and charging infrastructure in the province</p> <p>TC demonstrated an 'EV-Beginners Guide' from Autochargers.ca—a commercial operation which estimates installation cost of \$16,000, a \$25 monthly maintenance fee and then fees for use (by Credit Card) are returned to the owner (i.e. the District). Another company www.Chargepoint.com is also under review. These systems have apps that allows EV users to book a time for their short, and time-limited charge. TC noted that EV owners tend to 'top-up' rather than 'fill-up'. They also provide maps of their charging stations, which could attract visitors to Peachland. MB noted that the concept of user pay may be more acceptable to residents than the 'free' (municipality-pay) fill-up of some other systems.</p> <p>2. MH circulated the 'First Things First Okanagan' summary of local solar activities. Funding was used to organize a tent at South Okanagan street markets including Peachland (Aug 28th) to introduce visitors to the concept of a solar garden. MH, TC, MB in attendance. A petition was circulated requesting municipalities become involved. The Lower Nicola Band in Merritt installed 330 panels on their school (80Khz) with much public fanfare. Should be a good source of information for us. DC suggested a field trip there. Summerland moving ahead, hired coordinator Tami Rothery. She wants to get more local citizens involved in the alternate energy mix conversation, which may be a model that other communities can use. WP suggested that she present to MTFCC in the Spring. MH reported that interest in the Nelson model continues. He also noted that a school on Vancouver Island returns funds generated by their solar roof garden to a school scholarship fund. Members agreed this model may be attractive to Peachland residents.</p>		
Conclusion:	<p>1. Committee thought EV charging station worth exploring and were reminded that the next budget cycle is upcoming within the month. If interested, MTFCC would need to prepare budget request before next meeting.</p> <p>2. MH to continue attending FTFO meetings and report back to committee.</p>		
Moved by:	MB		
Action Items			
		Responsible	Timeline
1.	Circulate links to EV charging systems info	TC and KT	30 Sept /16
2.	Give feedback on EV charging systems	All	30 Sept/16
3.	Review standing of current CARIP funds	KT	30 Sept /16
Topic:	Report: <i>Revised Terms of Reference</i>	Presenter:	CF
Discussion:	<p>CF reported that Council have accepted our revised Terms of Reference. MB requested that District replace the existing information on the website. DC commented that MTFCC work could to be more prominent on the webpage.</p>		
Conclusion:	Replace existing T of R information and review webpages		

Moved by:	MB						
		Action Items		Responsible		Timeline	
1.	Check if new ToR is already up			KT		30 Sept /16	
2.	Discuss webpage info with Exec Secretary			MB		30 Sept /16	
Topic:	Discussion: <i>Meeting Frequency</i>			Presenter:		MB	
Discussion:	Committee felt that meeting every second month works, if we have a good sub-committee system where ongoing work is conducted and reported back at meetings. MH noted that we can hold ad hoc meetings as necessary						
Conclusion:	Continue with bi-monthly meetings						
Moved by:	WP						
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Topic	Report: <i>Make Water Work Challenge</i>			Presenter		CF	
Discussion	CF reported that Peachland won the Okanagan Basin Water Board Make Water Work Challenge for 2016! We received a certificate from the OBWB and our win and photo will be posted on their website. MH inquired about the two Peachland xeriscape gardens progress. CF will discuss with District staff. Discussion around follow-up for Peachland residents. Suggestion that CF could request stories of success (or challenges) in her 'From the Mayor's Desk' article. TC suggested a request for personal stories could be attached to the next utility bill.						
Conclusion	Congratulations to the sub-committee members who worked hard to put the event on. Discuss at next meeting whether or not committee should repeat the event - and defend our title.						
Moved by	WP						
		Action Items		Responsible		Timeline	
1.	Discuss garden progress with staff				CF		Nov 16/16
2.	Draft request for stories in the View				CF		
Next meeting	Date	16 November/ 16		Time	1:30	Place	Council Chambers
Meeting Adjourned	Time	3:05		Moved by	TC		
Chair, Mayor Cindy Fortin				Corporate Officer			
Adopted on this	21st		Day of	Sept	2016		