



**Town of Aurora
Environmental Advisory Committee
Meeting Minutes**

Date: Monday, February 26, 2024
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Location: Holland Room, Aurora Town Hall

Committee Members: Councillor Rachel Gilliland (Chair)
Councillor Wendy Gaertner (Vice Chair)
Nicole Arsenault
Shun Chen
Pippette Eibel
Denis Heng
Kristen Martens
Ken Turriff

Members Absent: Alain Godin

Other Attendees: Natalie Kehle, Analyst, Energy and Climate Change
Emily Freitas, Council/Committee Coordinator

1. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

2. Land Acknowledgement

The Committee acknowledged that the meeting took place on Anishinaabe lands, the traditional and treaty territory of the Chippewas of Georgina Island, recognizing the many other Nations whose presence here continues to this day, the special relationship the Chippewas have with the lands and waters of this territory, and that Aurora has shared responsibility for the stewardship of these lands and waters. It was noted that Aurora is part of the treaty lands of the Mississaugas and Chippewas, recognized through Treaty #13 and the Williams Treaties of 1923.

3. Approval of the Agenda

Moved by Ken Turriff

Seconded by Kristen Martens

That the agenda as circulated by Legislative Services be approved.

Carried

4. Declarations of Pecuniary Interest and General Nature Thereof

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest under the *Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.O. 1990, c. M.50*.

5. Receipt of the Minutes

5.1 Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of December 11, 2023

Moved by Ken Turriff

Seconded by Pippette Eibel

1. That the Environmental Advisory Committee meeting minutes of December 11, 2023, be received for information.

Carried

6. Delegations

None.

7. Matters for Consideration

7.1 Memorandum from Energy and Climate Change Analyst; Re: Natural Capital Asset Management Plan Introduction Presentation

Elaine Chang, SLBC Advisory Services, introduced the Natural Capital Asset Management Plan, highlighting the project overview, the benefits of asset management including enhanced customer service and effective risk management, the overall project approach, and the work plan and the overall project management.

The Committee discussed and inquired about various aspects including the natural assets and enhanced assets that will be included in the Natural Asset Management Plan, how service levels will be defined in the plan, the research incorporated in the plan to help meet future targets, the benefits of asset management, the alignment to the Town's Official Plan, advancements in green infrastructures, and the identification of stewardships of the natural capital assets.

Moved by Denis Heng

Seconded by Pippette Eibel

1. That the memorandum regarding Natural Capital Asset Management Plan Introduction Presentation be received; and
2. That the Environmental Advisory Committee comments regarding Natural Capital Asset Management Plan Introduction Presentation be received and referred to staff for consideration and further action as appropriate.

Carried

8. Informational Items

None.

9. New Business

None.

10. Adjournment

Moved by Denis Heng

Seconded by Kristen Martens

That the meeting be adjourned at 8:03 p.m.

Carried