

ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES



Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on Monday, February 1, 2016 in the portable classroom at Anmore Elementary School, 30 Elementary Road, Anmore, BC

MEMBERS PRESENT

Councillor Ryan Froese (Chair)
Grace Bergman
Paige Crawley
Coleen Hackinen

MEMBERS ABSENT

Mike Barnes
Elaine Willis

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Froese called the meeting to order at 7:15 p.m.

2. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS TO THE AGENDA

Nil

3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

It was Moved and Seconded:

“That the Agenda be approved as circulated.”

Carried Unanimously

4. DELEGATIONS

Nil

5. MINUTES

(a) Minutes of the Meeting held on December 7, 2015

It was Moved and Seconded:

“That the Minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on December 7, 2015 be adopted as circulated.”

Carried Unanimously

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Nil

7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Nil

8. NEW BUSINESS**(a) Action Item List 2015 – Review Outstanding Items**

Committee identified status and next steps for the outstanding action items.

(i) Review of Tree Management Bylaw

Chair Froese requested members to compile any further thoughts or ideas regarding the tree management bylaw and include into the Google Docs program to be distributed to all members prior to the March 7, 2016 meeting.

(ii) Review of Works and Services Bylaw

This item was discussed in conjunction with the Tree Management Bylaw.

(iii) Review of BC government website titled ‘Develop with Care 2014’

Members discussed their findings after reviewing the website and noted the following:

- Homeowners fact sheet #8 – Environmental Guidelines for Urban and Rural Land Development in British Columbia
 - Tips for homeowners could be useful (i.e. lawns, compost)
- Anmore is currently making strides in many areas

(iv) Review of Anmore Tree Management Bylaw and Municipal Ticketing Bylaw with View Royal’s and Provide Feedback

This item is being discussed in conjunction with the Tree Management Bylaw.

(v) Prepare Information Regarding Waste Diversion to Include on the Village’s Website

Members agreed that residents need to be reminded of the importance of sorting recycling and organics, noting the possibility of being charged if not followed. No extra charges from Smithrite have happened thus far.

(vi) Brochure for New Residents

Committee agreed to continue to work on developing a “Welcome to Anmore Information brochure.”

Action item: Chair Froese to bring a sample brochure from the City of Port Coquitlam for the members’ review

Action item: Coleen Hackinen to draft a brochure for residents and an article to the Anmore Times regarding the following items:

- Be bear aware*
- Car washing/minimizing water use*
- Recycling options such as Pacific Mobile Depot (3rd Saturday of the month at Glen Elementary School)*
- School zones*
- Invasive plants information*

Action item: Chair Froese to confirm the inventory of brochures regarding information on solid waste diversion, and recycling available at the village hall for residents.

(b) Ministry of Environment – Spill Response Regime

Committee reviewed the spill response regime report and provided the following comments:

- Concerns with principle of user-pay versus polluter-pay
- Need a mechanism of compensation for people affected (e.g. long-term effects: loss of livelihood/groundwater contamination) in case of polluter bankruptcy
- Provincial spill response funds maximum limit of \$50 million is not an adequate amount (10 times that amount was suggested)

(c) 2015 Invasive Plant Management on Village of Anmore Municipal Property

Committee reviewed the report (undated) from Graham Watson, Invasive Species Council of Metro Vancouver, and provided the following comments:

Action item: Chair Froese to request a better quality map

- Follow through with recommendations from report
- Follow up with treatment in late-spring and late-summer or early-fall
- Does staff follow up with monitoring throughout the village?

9. **ADJOURNMENT**

It was Moved and Seconded:

“That the meeting be adjourned.”

Carried Unanimously

The meeting adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Certified Correct:

C. MILLOY

Christine Milloy
Manager of Corporate Services

Approved:

R. FROESE

Councillor Ryan Froese
Chair, Environment Committee