

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
**Climate Action Committee -MINUTES**  
June 24<sup>th</sup> 2020

Attending: Councillor Scott, Katie Gilchrist, Jan McQuay, Mike Wilton, Cori Davy, Autumn Davy, Climate Change Coordinator, one member of the press, and two members of the public. \*regrets?

The meeting was called to order at 1:34pm.

MOTION: C. Davy and K. Gilchrist

That the agenda be approved with the alteration of moving the formation of working groups to being item 7.c).....carried.

MOTION: D. Scott and M. Wilton

That the minutes from the May 27<sup>th</sup> meeting be approved.....carried.

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

Autumn Davy spoke as a delegation, telling the committee why she felt it was important to join.

Jan McQuay made some remarks as Chair, including the importance of keeping emissions down as/after we emerge from the pandemic and the large amount that we emit on a per person basis. She also noted that Central Manitoulin is receiving a \$126 000 gas tax refund and wondered whether any of that money could be used for climate change mitigation actions in the future. She noted that Central Manitoulin is not currently a member of the Federation of Canadian Municipalities but may still be eligible for funding especially if we have a draft Climate Action Plan. She noted the importance of communicating what we're doing.

MOTION: K. Gilchrist and M. Wilton

That we recommend to Council to Declare a Climate Emergency via the Declaration of Climate Emergency motion, discussed, edited and attached.....carried

The Climate Change Coordinator updated the committee on some of the municipal protocol around making posts to facebook.

MOTION: C. Davy and K. Gilchrist

That meetings of the Climate Action Committee be limited to 1.5 hours unless a motion is made to extend the meeting.....carried.

The Climate Change Coordinator discussed her departure and reviewed the initial draft Climate Action Plan with the committee, agreeing to send out examples from other municipalities. The Chair acknowledged the challenges of preparing the greenhouse gas inventory and congratulated K. Koetsier on completing it, thereby providing a baseline for the project. The committee also extended good wishes, congratulations for completing milestone #1 of PCP project and luck to K.Koetsier who will be leaving the position as of July 3, 2020.

The formation of working groups was postponed until the following meeting.

MOTION: M. Wilton and C. Davy

That we recommend to council that the Municipality of Central Manitoulin look into applying to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities' Green Municipal Fund for a feasibility study of retrofitting municipal facilities.....carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:04 on a motion made by C. Davy.