

MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN  
**Climate Action Committee -MINUTES**  
May 27<sup>th</sup> 2020

Attending: Mayor R. Stephens, Councillor Scott, Jan McQuay, Mike Wilton, Katie Gilchrist, Autumn Davy, Cori Davy, Climate Change Coordinator, one member of the press, and two members of the public.

The meeting was called to order at 1:33pm.

**MOTION: R. Stephens and McQuay**

**That the agenda be approved with the alteration of having Introductions (previously item 8.a)) moved up to item 3. on the agenda, preceding Election of the Chair, and with the addition of a discussion of potential perceived conflict of interest added as item 8.e).....carried.**

There were no declarations of pecuniary interest.

Members of the committee introduced themselves to each other.

**MOTION: McQuay and Gilchrist**

**That Jan McQuay be Committee Chair.....carried**

**MOTION: McQuay and R. Stephens**

**That Cori Davy be Vice Chair..... carried**

The Climate Change Coordinator reviewed the Terms of Reference with the group.

Chair McQuay reviewed some climate change information with the group.

The Climate Change Coordinator filled the committee in on the structure for the Climate Action Plan project, as set out by project funders, as well as on the work that's been done so far. There was some discussion from committee members regarding the importance of finding funding opportunities for actual implementation of Plan items, as opposed to just the development of the Plan. The Climate Change Coordinator briefly outlined what next steps may be as far as developing the Plan.

The committee discussed whether there might be any public perception issues with having two Councillors on the committee who would also have a vote on any recommendations put forward by the committee once those recommendations get to the Property Committee and Council level.

The committee discussed the importance of having a publicity component to the Climate Action Plan, and agreed to put discussion of the potential for declaring a Climate Change Emergency on the next meeting's agenda. There was some discussion of having a website or facebook presence. There was also some discussion of whether working groups would allow committee members to keep making progress on specific tasks between meetings.

The next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday June 24<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm.

**\*Mayor R. Stephens and Councillor Scott had to depart\***

**MOTION: Davy and Gilchrist**

**That the committee create working groups at the next meeting.....carried.**

**The meeting was adjourned at 2:56 on a motion made by Cori Davy.**