

**MUNICIPALITY OF CENTRAL MANITOULIN**  
**Climate Action Committee**  
**MINUTES**

April 28, 2021 4:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

**PRESENT:** Cori Davy (Chair), Councillor Scott, Councillor Tribinevicius, Mike Wilton, Kim Neale, Climate Change Coordinator (CCC)

**REGRETS:** Mayor R. Stephens, Katie Gilchrist

**MEMBERS OF PUBLIC:**

Lori Thompson, Manitoulin Expositor  
Joahna Berti, United Manitoulin Island Transit

**Opening of Meeting**

Motion by D. Scott and M. Wilton.....carried  
The meeting was called to order at 4:03pm by the Chair

**Approval of Agenda**

Motion by D. Scott and A. Tribinevicius .....carried  
That the agenda for the April 28, 2021 meeting be accepted

**Delegations**

None.

**Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest**

None.

**Adoption of Minutes**

Motion by M. Wilton, R. Stephens .....carried  
That the minutes of March 24, 2021 meeting be accepted.

**Council Update Report – D. Scott**

- Property Committee received memo outlining strategy and general format for municipal building actions proposed by the CAC in the CEEP
- Property Committee members provided some general feedback, mainly that they liked the table and accepted the goals outlined for energy efficiency in municipal building. Suggested no major changes for the CAC to consider at this time, recommended carrying on to last sections

**Old Business**

- a) Survey Launched to public on earth day – great feedback and comments received, news coverage in Manitoulin Expositor and the Hamilton Spectator!
- b) Delivered prizes to compost winners – thanks Cori and Dale for helping do the prize draw!
- c) CCC provided update that contract ends on May 28, 2021
- d) Cost projections for design, printing, and advertising campaign once CEEP is approved at Council:
  - Wait for OJ Graphix detailed breakdown and quote
  - Only print a few copies for the office
  - Lets not do another advertising campaign – use our own posters and social media
  - Committee member suggests getting a few more copies printed and sell them for fundraising
  - A consensus was made on getting a better breakdown from OJ graphix and Ethelo for design and printing only – CCC adjust attached memo with motions for Property Committee consideration at before May 11<sup>th</sup> Property Committee meeting

- Consider sending our draft CEEP for design after May 11<sup>th</sup> so a final version that can be printed and posted on the website is available before the May 27<sup>th</sup> Council meeting where the CEEP is expected to be approved
- e) **CEEP – Natural Shared Spaces – Collaborative Partnership:** CCC provided update to committee on presentation to Manitoulin Streams board on Monday April 19<sup>th</sup> providing overview of some of the opportunities that are available for collaboration between Manitoulin Streams/Central/Billings to implement some of the natural shared spaces actions that were supported in the climate change survey, mainly – aquifer/source water monitoring program, natural asset inventory which can be used to develop a regional natural asset management plan and flood mapping/wildfire vulnerability assessment. Manitoulin Streams board was supportive of pursuing a joint project like this but only if other communities could also be included – they also provided CCC permission to include them in the CEEP as a supporting partner for some of these initiatives.

One joint application was discussed at the Manitoulin Streams board meeting that this project would qualify for – Climate Action and Awareness Fund. If Central/Billings agreed to pursue this grant with Manitoulin Streams, Manitoulin Streams would need to take the lead position and municipalities would be listed as supporting partners with a minimum annual financial contribution for the project over 3yrs.

How to start moving a project like this forward is outlined in current draft CEEP for further discussion at this meeting.

## **New Business**

### **Draft CEEP – Review by Section:**

#### **Mayor/Co-Chair welcome letter at the start of CEEP:**

- Dale and Cori can work on this
- CCC to send 2 examples to them
- Try and get letter done before May 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> – latest May 10<sup>th</sup> before the property committee

#### **Indigenous Land Acknowledgement:**

- CCC has reached out to three local indigenous women and leaders from M’Chigeeng, AOK and Wiikwemkoong – no responses yet, looking for an accuracy check and general feedback
- Does CCC have time to take this to UCCM before CEEP is published? No.
- Suggestion to send CEEP to UCCM with a joint letter from Central/Billings requesting them to review the collaborative model strategy and determine if they would like to pursue any of the community actions listed in the CEEP
- In consideration of partnership with Manitoulin Streams and their strong relationship with Wiikwemkoong and AOK on sucker creek – perhaps this could be where we seek to build on a joint/collaborative project (after CEEP is approved by Council)
- Could we reach out to Autumn Peltier for a contribution on this introduction?
- Include local indigenous artwork on this page in the report?
- Translate land acknowledgement to Ojibway?

CCC – these are all amazing ideas, very happy to be working on this on behalf of the municipality. Not sure if it will be possible to implement all of these great ideas before the CEEP is due. At minimum, need at least two people to fact check the work. (Update as of 7pm CAC Billings meeting – Mayor Anderson provided some factual corrections, CCC sending these corrections to around for confirmation).

#### **Letter from MSS Students:**

- Accepted

## Table of Contents

- Accepted – no additional recommendations from committee

### Section 1 A Vision for Climate Action

- CCC provided verbal explanation on what from this section will find it's way into the Executive Summary of the report
- Waiting for Sudbury Public Health to provide feedback on health co-benefits
- Committee members provided a acceptance of content in this section – including 50% GHG and net zero targets based on the project ideas the CCC presented at the last meeting (NetZero arena and community home energy program) and in consideration of survey results
- Committee members emphasized using some of the survey results in the implementation section of the report in advance of suggesting initial projects for Natural Shared Spaces and municipal buildings

### Section 2/3:

- This is primarily background research and drafts – CCC saving these sections until last so that she can focus on Action/Implementation sections
- Good news though – CEO from SG2B, a GHG emission tracking software company has offered to help update GHG inventory data from the survey into our existing GHG inventory for free
- These graphs will appear in the CEEP – CCC is relieved to have this free help because data crunching of the new survey data has been taking way longer than expected and is required for the MEP grant submission

### Section 4 Taking Action

#### Natural Shared Spaces:

- Stakeholders to mention for future inclusion: Nature Club (bird records), Natural Asset Management Plan from 20yrs ago
- Could we mention some of the sustainable and regenerative best practices in the CEEP? Hurd management near maple forests, Forestry protection in emergent bedrocks? Yes – CCC can definitely add this to the above discussion section.
- Cost benefits of regenerative and sustainable agricultural/forestry/resources management practices? Yes – CCC can add a short paragraph on this in the implementation section

Any other overall comments for the CCC to consider before entering final stage of writing?

- No – continue as planned on waste, transit and community building sections

### Correspondence

None.

### Next Meeting:

CEEP – Last Phase - Project Schedule:

- o Completed draft CEEP by May 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup>
- o send to all Councilors, municipal staff, CAC and supporting partners (Manitoulin Streams and UMIT) for consultation and feedback
- o Attend Property Committee meeting on May 11<sup>th</sup> – obtain feedback on recommended change
- o May 19<sup>th</sup> – CAC review any recommended changes from Property Committee, municipal staff and supporting partners. Invite people to this CAC meeting if they would like to be included in this last editing session.
- o May 21<sup>st</sup> – CCC finish final edits to content and send to Council as part of May 27<sup>th</sup> Council package
- o May 27<sup>th</sup> – Acceptance of plan at Council

**\*\*CCC can submit word document to design team after May 11<sup>th</sup> to create final product if minimal changes are required\*\***

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 5:37pm on a motion by D. Scott.