



**Coordinating Committee – March 8th, 2013
GPA EDC – 210 Wolfe Street Peterborough, ON**

Agenda

1. Call to order/Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order at 9:02am by the Chair

2. Introductions

3. Approval of Agenda

Moved by: Melanie Kawalec

Seconded by: Stephen Hill

THAT the agenda for the March 8th Sustainable Peterborough meeting be approved

4. Declaration of Pecuniary Interest

None declared

5. Approval of the January 11th, 2013 Minutes

Moved by: Dave Clifford

Seconded by: Melanie Kawalec

6. Presentations

Transition Town – Economic Impact Analysis – 25% Shift

Moved by: Stephen Hill

Seconded by: Melanie Kawalec

Members of Transition Town Peterborough came to the meeting to present the findings of the Economic Impact Analysis. The proposed framework is a strategic outline for resilience both the City and County. It promotes economic localization on a multi-front approach. The presenters outlined a local currency exchange program – the Kawartha Loon – which is not designed to replace the current medium of exchange but more to offer an alternative that promotes more local production and purchasing. The next steps for the group are to complete an memorandum of understanding with the Kawartha Credit Union by September 3, 2013, set up administration of the local exchange system and to present the idea to other municipalities.

THAT the report from Transition Town be received.

George St. Improvement Project

Susan Sauve from the City of Peterborough's Transportation department made a presentation to the group about the proposed George St. Improvement project. The City of Peterborough is undertaking a multi-phased project designed to improve the safety, appearance and functionality of the section of George St. between Sherbrooke and Perry Sts. The initial concept includes cycling lanes, left turn lanes and pedestrian islands. These changes are designed to reduce collisions, improve traffic flow, and make the street more amenable to pedestrians and cyclists. The plan also takes into

consideration other elements such as transportation plans, central area master plans, cultural plans and 2013 TDM work programs and capital budget.

The process being followed for this project started with a conversation with the effected business owners, a public meeting, design phase, budget development, request for tender and monitor.

7. Administration

Report Card & Presentations to Council – Melanie Kawalec

Melanie updated the committee on the upcoming presentations to township councils on the 2012 SP Report Card and invited any Committee members to participate.

Partnership Recruitment – Ken Doherty

The Chair updated the Committee on plans to recruit someone on a part-time basis (one day per week) to touch base with the existing and potential new members. If the Committee supported the idea he would take it to the President & CEO of the GPA EDC to facilitate. The Committee supported the Chair's proposal.

Budget – Brigid Ayotte

Brigid presented an updated budget and noted that there will be a surplus due to some changes in salary numbers. The Chair asked that the Committee approve his entering into a conversation with the GPA EDC to set up a reserve account for this surplus. It was also discussed that the budget should be rolled into a December year-end to simplify the reporting process. The Committee agreed.

8. Working Groups update

- Ag & Local Food – Linda Slavin
 - i. The working group developed a letter for Jeff Leal with regards to the new local food bill.
- Economic Development – Brigid Ayotte
 - i. Brigid reported that the SPED group had a very successful January launch of the Sustainable Business Initiative, a series of workshops/seminars focused on educating, motivating and empowering the business community to adopt sustainable business practices. The event drew close to 60 attendees and was very well received.
- Climate Change – Stephen Hill
 - i. Stephen reported that the working group is developing a climate change adaptation plan and is currently developing a proposal for funding through the Public Health Unit.
- Energy – Sheridan Graham
 - i. Sheridan updated the committee on the energy planning meeting for the MUSH sector being hosted March 18th, 2013 from 12pm-2pm and encouraged all committee members to attend.
- Health Communities
 - i. Melanie reported that there is currently an initiative to form a HC working group. The group would look at bringing together the Health Unit's community-based initiatives with Sustainable Peterborough's priority actions.



9. **Membership Profile** – Fleming College – Trish O'Connor

Trish O'Connor was the Committee's feature member and updated the group on the various activities Fleming is engaged in with regard to sustainability. Sustainability has been built into the college's 2010-2015 Strategic Plan. They have recently applied for the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education (AASHE)STARS program – (The Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System) which is a transparent, self-reporting framework for colleges and universities to measure their sustainability performance. STARS® was developed by AASHE with broad participation from the higher education community. They are only the 3rd College in Ontario to file. They targeted January 31, 2013 as a Certification Date and June 30th, 2013 to have their Sustainability Plan in place.

Trish asked the group for feedback on what they thought were the opportunities and challenges to a sustainable Fleming College.

10.Roundtable Update

11.Other Business

12. Next Meeting –May 10th, 2013



Date	Township	Time
March 11, 2013	City of Peterborough – Committee of the Whole	6pm
April 8, 2013	Havelock Belmont Methune	4pm
April 9, 2013	Asphodel Norwood	9am
April 15, 2013	Cavan Monaghan	1pm
April 16, 2013	Douro Dummer	5pm
April 23, 2013	North Kawartha	9:30am
April 23, 2013	Selwyn Township	7pm
May 6, 2013	Otonabee South Monaghan	6pm
May 21, 2013	Galway Cavendish Harvey	1pm
	Curve Lake	
	Hiawatha	