



**To:** Sustainable Peterborough Coordinating Committee  
**From:** Kaitlyn Ittermann, Sustainable Peterborough Climate Change Coordinator  
**Meeting Date:** May 29, 2018  
**Subject:** Climate Change Coordinator's Update

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**Purpose**

A report to update the SP CC on the bimonthly activities of the Climate Change Coordinator.

**Recommendation**

That the report be received for information.

**Budget and Financial Implications**

Through the Climate Change projects and expenses, Sustainable Peterborough is in the process of acquiring a subscription to Adobe Illustrator costing approximately \$470.00/year; at this time it will be prorated to 7 months since the City of Peterborough's renewal date is November. This will help to offset any costs associated with outsourcing promotional material to designers for a substantial fee.

**The Peterborough & the Kawarthas Climate Reality Hub**

The Hub met for the second time on Wednesday, May 9, 2018 to complete a mapping exercise outlining the various groups working on climate change mitigation and/or adaptation activities. This map will form the basis of the group's main focus on identifying one specific issue and taking action. The next meeting will allow for the group to further identify their one issue, establish a basis of common grounds, and hope for encouraging action through awareness.

**Peterborough-Kawarthas-Northumberland Region Envirothon**

The second annual Regional Envirothon event has since wrapped up and of the six teams competing, the winning team came from Kenner Collegiate and Vocational Institute. The runner-up came from Port Hope High School. The event was a success and would have not been possible without the countless volunteer hours and dedication to supporting youth engagement and advancing environmental education.

**Community Engagement & Outreach**

- The Climate Change Earth Week Challenge saw great interest, but unfortunately had no uptake;

- A Climate Change Impacts and Adaptation Fact Sheet is being made to be handed out at outreach events and was discussed during the Communications Subcommittee meeting;
- Spoke with Elyse Sawdon, Siemens Peterborough, to discuss related actions and progress; with support from Melanie Kawalec, currently in the process of coordinating a walk through tour of the Siemens factory for the SP CC;
- Working in collaboration with the Peterborough Public Health Unit, City of Peterborough, County of Peterborough, GreenUP, Nourish, Fleming College and Curve Lake First Nation to organize a discussion on wasted food and how to eliminate it in the home;
- Working in collaboration with Melanie Kawalec to determine the possibility of applying for arena energy efficient upgrades and fuel switching through the second round of the municipal GHG Challenge Fund;
- Preparing presentation material to attend Sustainable Peterborough Report Card Presentations to Council providing update on Climate Change project actions;
- Continuing to collect data for 2016 re-inventory;
- Maintaining active online presence on social media platforms; and
- Accumulating and identifying a list of community and corporate 2018 projects.

### **Planet Protector Academy**

- Zero Heroes 23 registered teachers; 8 classrooms using the program with approximately 550 participant hours; and
- Keep Cool 55 registered teachers; 7 classrooms using the program with approximately 350 participant hours.

### **Funding Opportunities**

1. The Municipal GHG Challenge Fund is a part of Ontario's Climate Change Action Plan to fight climate change, reduce greenhouse gas emissions and transition to a low-carbon economy. The deadline to apply is July 13, 2018. What is new in round two:
  - a. Funding request can be up to \$2 million per project;
  - b. Municipalities may submit two applications, both of which may be successful;
  - c. Projects must commence by July 2019 and must be complete by July 2022; and
  - d. Municipal projects must aim to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in any sector, including in buildings, energy supply, water, transportation, waste and organics.

### **Workshops & Webinars**

- Attended a Grade 4/5 Classroom for the Planet Protector Academy to view students in action taking part in the program;
- Participated in the Sustainable Peterborough Communications Subcommittee meeting on Monday, May 7<sup>th</sup>; and
- Presented alongside Melanie Kawalec to Haliburton County Council on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> providing them with the background, funding, and plan development for both Sustainable Peterborough and the Climate Change Action Plan as well as how we operate now, what our targets are and actions, plus the report cards and awards.

Submitted by,

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