



To: Sustainable Peterborough Coordinating Committee
From: Kaitlyn Ittermann, SP Climate Change Coordinator
Meeting Date: September 11, 2018
Subject: Climate Change Coordinator's Update

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

No new spending items outside of the approved budget area to be introduced or discussed at this time.

The Peterborough & the Kawarthas Climate Reality Hub

The Hub met for the third and fourth time on Tuesday, June 19 and Monday, July 16 to finalize the identification of their action item. The group decided to raise their collective voices and work together to ask municipal candidates what actions they propose to undertake to address climate change. Next meeting planned for September.

Peterborough-Kawarthas-Northumberland Region Envirothon

The Envirothon Steering Committee will regroup in October to begin planning for the 2019 event.

Community Engagement & Outreach

- The Climate Change Pledge has been updated to include an Impacts and Adaptation Fact Sheet and will be handed out at all upcoming outreach events;
- The walk through tour of Siemens factory occurred on Thursday, June 21;
- The Wasted Food Committee, a collaboration between the Peterborough Public Health Unit, City of Peterborough, County of Peterborough, GreenUP, Nourish, Fleming College and Curve Lake First Nation, is preparing to host a community event on Thursday, September 27, 2018 and all are encouraged to attend;
- The Ontario Provincial Government cancelled the Cap and Trade program and terminated the Municipal GHG Challenge Fund effective August 10, 2018;
- The 2017 Sustainable Peterborough Report Card Presentations to Council, including an update on climate change project actions are almost complete, save for City Council on Monday, September 17 and Peterborough & the Kawarthas Economic Development Board on Thursday, October 25;

- Working with Cathy Mitchell of Peterborough Distribution Inc., Katie and myself are helping to organize and participate in the Green Zone located at the Love Local Tradeshaw at the Evinrude Centre on Wednesday, October 3, 2018;
- Continuing to collect municipal and community data for 2016 as the CCAP re-inventory;
- Maintaining active online presence on social media platforms; and
- Accumulating and identifying a list of community and corporate 2018 actions & projects.

Planet Protector Academy (PPA)

- Zero Heroes engaged 186 kids in the City; over 835 participant hours of waste management education, reaching 372 family members;
- Keep Cool engaged 172 kids in the Greater Peterborough Area over 625 participant hours of climate change, energy conservation, reaching 344 family members, and saving over 30,000 kg CO₂e;
- Organized 5 pizza parties for winning teachers completing either PPA program in 2017/18.

Funding Opportunities

1. MOECC Municipal GHG Challenge Fund – terminated
2. FCM Climate Change Staff Grant – application to fund SP Climate Change Coordinator at 80% of the salary over a 24-month period submitted July; should hear back in September;
3. AffordAbility Fund – open to any resident in Ontario that pays their electrical bill; local utility mails out an energy conservation kit, or more, depending on energy poverty limits; visit AffordAbilityFund.org or call 1-855-494-3863 (FUND)

Workshops & Webinars

- Participated in the Sustainable Peterborough Future of Food & Farming Working Group meeting on Tuesday, June 12;
- Attended the Teeny Tiny Summit in Tweed on Thursday, June 14 to listen and learn about best-practices and progress made by small, rural municipalities across Ontario;
- Participated in the Green Economy Canada Recruitment Webinar on Monday, June 25;
- Participated in the Green Procurement Webinar on Tuesday, June 26;
- Organized the FleetCarma LAS meeting to discuss greening municipal fleet;
- Participated in the Sustainable Peterborough Communications Subcommittee meeting on Tuesday, July 24;
- Attended the City's Climate Adaptation Changemaker Workshop on Thursday, August 16;
- Participated in the Sustainable Peterborough Business Initiative meeting on Tuesday, August 21;
- Attended the GreenUP Neighbourhood Garden Tours for the Sustainable Urban Neighbourhood Project on Wednesday, August 22;

Submitted by,

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