



## CITY OF DIEPPE

### ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON THE ENVIRONNEMENT

**Meeting of Thursday, January 16, 2014  
City Hall – Dieppe Room – 7 p.m.**

#### **Minutes**

**Members present:** Normand Arsenault, Community Representative  
Michelle Aubin, Community Representative  
Hugues Benoit, Community Representative  
Jean-Marc Brideau, Councillor and Committee Chair  
Véronique Landry, Community Representative  
Luc Richard, Staff Representative (ex-officio)  
Mia Vautour, Community Representative  
Gilles Volpé, Community Representative

**Members absent:** Jason Hamilton, Community Representative  
Mylène Roy, Community Representative

#### **1. Welcoming remarks**

Chair Jean-Marc Brideau welcomed members to the meeting.

#### **2. Declaration of conflict of interest**

None

#### **3. Adoption of agenda**

Committee members asked for a follow-up on the Tree Code. It was explained that the issue would be brought up again at the February meeting.

Committee members asked for a follow-up on the Action Plan. It was explained the details are being finalized in collaboration with the municipal departments involved. The document will be sent to members soon.

Members requested a bit of clarification on the Committee's vision and expectations. Councillor Brideau, Chair, explained that this will be made clearer when the Action Plan is finished and approved by council. It was explained that an advisory committee's role is to bring recommendations to city council. Some members believe that the Committee's mandate should be wider than the Green Plan. It is hoped that the Committee can contribute to the development of strategies and tactics in the community in order to maintain a certain momentum. It is hoped that good structure during meetings will mean these meetings are as productive as possible. It was suggested that communication take place with members via email in order to speed up the work being done on issues.

It was suggested that a roundtable session be added to each meeting's agenda. Councillor Brideau recommended that members suggest items for the agenda and that members determine goals for the Committee.

**Adoption of agenda**

Moved by Mia Vautour and seconded by Michelle Aubin.

Motion carried

**4. Approval of minutes of December 5, 2013**

Moved by Normand Arsenault and seconded by Hugues Benoit.

Motion carried

**5. New business and presentations**

**5.1. Renewable energy (Hugues Benoit)**

Hugues Benoit presented an opportunity for the City to demonstrate its commitment to the environment. He explained the approach of a company called Bullfrog Energy and showed the potential and benefits for the City of Dieppe and its citizens.

Committee members support the idea and want to follow up with a presentation to city council during a future meeting of the Standing Committee on Public Policies and Strategies.

**5.2. Roundtable**

Committee members shared their interests and personal priorities in regards to the environment. These included urban forestry, garbage sorting, active transportation, public education, as well as water conservation, particularly the use of residential water meters.

**Action:**

1. Plan roundtable subjects that are of an educational nature for future Committee meetings. (Luc R.)

**6. Next meeting**

Committee members decided to meet on the third Thursday of every month. Meetings start at 7 p.m. in the Dieppe Room at City Hall.

**7. Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.