

Environment & Sustainability Advisory Committee
Minutes
September 9th, 2024
630 pm
Erin Town Hall, lower-level meeting room / Zoom

Present: John Brennan, Sarbpreet Bopairai, Abel Page, Martin Rudd, Mikaela Pagotto, Christina Green, and Jen Edwards

Absent: Gavin Dandy, Chris Tynan, Emma Tynan, and Valerie Chhokar

1. **Call to Order**

The chair called the meeting to order at 6:35 PM. **Carried**

1. **Approval of Agenda**

Moved by Abel Page

Seconded by Christina Green **Carried**

1. **Declaration Pecuniary Interest**

None

1. **Adoption of Minutes of July 8th, 2024**

Moved by Sarbpreet Bopairai

Seconded by Martin Rudd **Carried**

1. **Business Items**
	1. **Green Standards update and Greenhouse Gases inventory**

More information to come regarding public survey and focus groups consisting of committee members

* 1. **Social Media Update**

None

* 1. **Status review and Town’s website page update**

None

* 1. **Green Directory**
* Will inquire if businesses outside of Erin should also on the directory shared on the Town of Erin website
* Discussed working with the already existing Town of Erin Business Directory and adding a Green category/subgroup
* Discussed adding useful links to the ESAC page, such as useful energy-efficient retrofits
	1. **Water in Erin – Update**
* Work is underway to attain a greater water supply
* Report from BlueTriton will be given on Thursday regarding operation of their well
* Report from consulting engineers will be given at the next council meeting regarding water sources
* The water contained in the new water tower will be derived from well water
* A third well is coming to Hillsburgh and will be placed near the fire station
	1. **Event booth – Fall Fair & Earth Day 2025**
* ESAC will not have a table at the upcoming Fall Fair
* Will inquire with the organizers of the Home Show if Earth Day can be part of their event
	1. **Other initiatives**
1. **Other Business**
* Martin collected $100 from turtle sign sales at Home Hardware. Martin expressed a growing demand for turtle signs in the community, we will consider this when ESAC places their next order.
* ESAC discussed improving advisory role on the committee
* Discussed having committee members coming together for a social gathering
* Christina proposed creating a position paper template to allow for smoother communication between committee members and council. Christina will format a draft and share it prior to the next meeting.
1. **Date of Next Meeting (TBA)**

John will share the date of the next meeting.

1. **Adjournment**That the meeting be adjourned at 7:51PM.

Moved by Abel Page
Seconded by Martin Rudd **Carried**