

## **ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

A meeting of the Environmental Advisory Committee was held on April 23, 2008 in Kentville Council Chambers and was called to order at 5:30 pm.

### **PRESENT**

Councilor Eric Bolland  
Director of Recreation Mark Phillips  
Director of Planning Bev Gentleman  
Councilor Mark Pearl  
Student Rep Lacey Skaling  
Community Representative June Moores  
Community Representative Jean Heisler

### **REGRETS**

Recording Secretary Lindsay Young

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

**IT WAS MOVED by Councilor Pearl and SECONDED by Committee Member Moores to approve the agenda with the following additions under New Business:**

- ii) Town Gifts**
- iii) Student Education Video**
- iv) Bio Fuels – Public Forum**
- v) Coldbrook Enviro-club**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – March 26, 2008**

**IT WAS MOVED by Councilor Pearl and SECONDED by Committee Member Moores to approve the minutes of March 26, 2008 as submitted with no errors or omissions.**

**MOTION CARRIED**

### **CORRESPONDENCE**

### **BUSINESS ARISING**

#### **ANTI –IDLING BY-LAW**

Director Gentleman reviewed the attached draft for the “Idling Control Bylaws”. The Committee reviewed the bylaw in detail and discussion covered topics such as general provisions, weather conditions and temperatures

and exemptions. It was decided that the allowable idle time for vehicles will be two minutes. Additionally, Director Gentleman and Chairman Bolland will continue to work towards a final draft of the bylaw.

**DRIVE THROUGH –  
FUTURE DEVELOPMENT**

Chairman Bolland and Director Gentleman discussed with the Committee the potential future drive-through policy for Kentville. Discussion took place regarding current drive-throughs in operation being exempt. There was additional discussion regarding the Ultramar and other businesses that may have existing drive-through infrastructures that have not yet been activated.

**EARTH DAY – LITTER  
PICKUP**

Chairman Bolland and Director Phillips reported on the recent Earth Day Clean-Up held on April 20<sup>th</sup>. KCA's Green Team and Town representatives were present to participate in the clean up. One half-tonne truck load of garbage was collected from around the downtown area. This was the second year for such an event, another will be planned for next year.

**ECO-KINGS IDLE  
COUNTYWIDE CAMPAIGN**

Councilor Bolland reported to the Committee about the Eco-Kings Idle County Wide Campaign. Participants in the campaign included Camp Aldershot, Acadia, Horton, NKEC, County Councillors, and the Village of New Minas. The Campaign took place on April 5, 2008 from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M.

**ENERGY AUDITS**

Director Phillips reported that \$10,000 for energy / emissions audit has been approved by Conserve Nova Scotia. He will be preparing a tender to invite consulting firms who may be interested to quote on the project.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**GREEN BUILDINGS /  
ENVIRONMENTAL  
WORKSHOP**

Director Phillips and Councilor Pearl reported on their recent attendance to a workshop on Green Building and LEED Certification. Building retrofits, new building construction and environmental impacts were key topics of the workshop. A disc was brought back for the Committee to review. In addition, several project examples were discussed at the workshop and how Kentville can incorporate LEED into future building repairs and construction. The workshop was attended by Municipal

representatives from all over Nova Scotia.

**TOWN GIFTS**

Director Phillips presented an option to the Committee that would be an alternative to Town Pins. The item was a greeting card made from recycled paper with tree seedlings embedded within it. The card can be planted, and would be used for give-aways vs. Town Pins.

**STUDENT EDUCATION  
IDOL-FREE VIDEO**

Chairman Bollnad showed a video to the Committee by the Childrens Clean Air Network that gave the unique perspective of children and their outlook on idling and environmental awareness. It is intended to show the Video to Council as well.

**BIO-FUELS PUBLIC  
FORUM**

**COLDBROOK  
ENVIROCLUB**

Chairman Bolland reported on the newly formed Coldbrook Enviroclub and highlighted for the Committee some of the activities and initiatives of the Club. It was suggested that the Committee consider potential partnerships with the Club and find common projects that the Town can work on with the group.

**NEXT MEETING**

June 18<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm in Council Chambers.

**MEETING ADJOURNED:**

Meeting adjourned at 7:00 pm.

APPROVED

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Eric Bolland  
Chairperson

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Lindsay J. Young  
Recording Secretary

APPROVED