



MINUTES OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE

Langley City Hall – CKF Room
20399 Douglas Crescent, Langley, BC

THURSDAY, MAY 15, 2025 AT 6:00 P.M.

Present: Councillor Paul Albrecht, Chair
Councillor Rosemary Wallace, Vice Chair
Alyssa Purse, Member at Large
Ellen Hall, Senior Representative
Lisa Boughen, Member at Large
Lisa Dreves, Langley Field Naturalists
Mallory Palliyaguru, Member at Large
Navneet Sandu, Member at Large
Nichole Marples, Langley Environmental Partners Society
Camille Lefrançois, Guest Presenter

Staff: Perry Browne, Environmental Sustainability Coordinator
Natasha Loewen, Clerk, Engineering, Parks & Environment

Absent: Amika Watari, Youth Representative, with regrets
David Pollock, Director, Engineering, Parks & Environment, with regrets

The Chair acknowledged that the land on which we gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Katzie, Kwantlen, Matsqui and Semiahmoo First Nations.

1. AGENDA

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the MAY 15, 2025 Agenda for the Environmental Sustainability Committee be adopted.

CARRIED

2. MINUTES

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the APRIL 10, 2025 Minutes of the Environmental Sustainability Committee meeting be adopted.

CARRIED

3. DISCUSSION

1. Tree Bylaw Presentation
 - 1.1. Diamond Head Consulting presented the Tree Protection & Management Bylaw outlining the project overview, purpose of the tree bylaw, history of the bylaw, and objectives for the tree bylaw.
 - 1.2. The intent of the tree bylaw is to address trees on road allowances and City lands and consider specimen or heritage trees on private lands. There was discussion around increasing public awareness for the open house and survey.
 - 1.3. The Committee discussed climate adaptive species, tree protection zones, education, growing the tree canopy and vulnerable areas/communities that become hotter and don't have many trees to provide shade.
 - 1.4. There was consensus around the need for green spaces on development properties and implementing standardized rules for the Bylaw Department to enforce the Tree Protection Bylaw.

2. Earth Day 2025
 - 2.1. Committee members provided positive feedback around the event, including the activities for kids, bike valet, and the bee display.
 - 2.2. There was discussion around the improvements for next year, including widening the spacing of vendor tents, advertising the electronics recycling in advance, raffle draw times, and moving the workshops closer to the community garden to draw attention.
 - 2.3. The Committee discussed the budget, including LEPS invoices, staff time, etc. to ensure the committee is appropriately funded.
 - 2.4. It would be favorable to begin advertising the Earth Day event, including the Upcycle Challenge during Christmas events. The 2026 event to be added to the September 2025 meeting agenda for discussion.
 - 2.5. Nichole Marples of LEPS to provide a summary report of the event for Council.

3. ESC Work Plan
 - 3.1. The Committee finalized the work plan for this year, and it will be forwarded to Council for endorsement.

4. STANDING ITEMS

N/A

5. ROUND TABLE

1. Introduction of New Committee Member.
 - 1.1. Welcome and brief orientation of the new member.
2. LEPS does not have the capacity for the waste stations at Community Day on June 14 due to lack of funding from the City. Perry Browne to discuss volunteer options with Tera Edell, Recreation Supervisor.

6. ADJOURNMENT

It was MOVED and SECONDED

THAT the meeting adjourn at 8:03 pm.

CARRIED

CHAIR

Certified Correct:

Director of Engineering, Parks & Env.