



KINGSTON ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY FORUM
MEETING No. 06-2010
MINUTES

Monday 10th May 2010 at 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.
in the Board Room, Rideaucrest Home

KEAF page on the City Website: www.cityofkingston.ca/keaf

PRESENT

Mr. Tom Carpenter, Co-Chair
Mr. Ted Hsu, Co-Chair
Councillor Leonore Foster
Councillor Rob Matheson
Councillor Lisa Osanic
Mr. Ian Dubin
Mr. Robert Foster
Mr. Mathew Gventer
Ms. Janis Grant
Mr. Harold Pickering
Ms. Bardi Vorster

REGRETS

Mr. Ted Bailey
Mr. Aaron Ball (Queen's)
Mr. David Carnegie
Mr. Darko Matovic
Ms. Sarah O'Neill (CRCA)

OTHER TECHNICAL REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. Peter Hebert (CRCA)
Ms. Romy Baur (St. Lawrence College – alternate)
Dr. Boyd Davis (Queen's – alternate)
Dr. Kunal Karan (Queen's –alternate)
Dr. James May (St. Lawrence College)
Dr. Ken Reimer (RMC-alternate)

STAFF PRESENT

Mr. Jim English, Pollution Prevention Specialist
Mr. Paul MacLatchy, Director, Strategy,
Environment & Communications
Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT

THIS IS NOT A VERBATIM REPORT

MEETING TO ORDER

Mr. Carpenter, Co-Chair, called the meeting to order.

WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST

None was declared.

CONFIRMATION OF AGENDA

*Moved by Councillor Matheson
Seconded by Mr. Pickering*

THAT the agenda be confirmed as amended to add the following item prior to the briefing:

- viewing of the Inner Harbour Video prepared in 2001.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Consideration of the Minutes of the Kingston Environmental Advisory Forum Meeting No. 05-2010 held 12 April 2010 was deferred to the next meeting.

DELEGATIONS

BRIEFINGS

Inner Harbour Video

A video which was developed in 2001 was viewed.

Third Crossing Stage 1 Environmental Assessment

Mr. John Sawarna, Capital Projects, Real Estate and Construction Services, was present to provide a briefing in regard to the Third Crossing Stage 1 Environmental Assessment.

Mr. Swarna noted that the assessment document which is not currently on the City website; however, a contact number has been placed on the website, and arrangements can be made for copies of the required pages or the full document.

Mr. Gventer suggested that the document be placed in the library.

The following questions and comments were made:

- To a question regarding an ability to widen the bridge from 2 to 4 lanes now and not later, Mr. Sawarna explained that the regulations would permit it now, but it is unknown how regulations might change.
- To a question regarding the separation and protection of bicycle lanes with a 4-lane structure, Mr. Sawarna advised that bike lanes and sidewalks will be built, but the design has not yet been decided. He noted that more traffic analysis and reports will be required.
- In regard to a question of public transit, Mr. Sawarna noted difficulty in predicting traffic patterns; however additional capacity will be required across the river.
- This is an opportunity to link existing walkways and improve bicycle lanes that are now in place.
- The availability of federal funding was queried as contamination is a federal matter.
- The alignment and a possible access through Belle Park for a causeway was queried. It was noted that in 1992, it was determined that the flow in the Cataraqui River could be affected by a causeway.
- Some stats are not available to include 2009 on the last page of the report.
- Development has been extensive since 1992, and expansions have occurred across the river ie. the Canadian Forces Base and St. Lawrence Business Park.
- To a question regarding timing and impacts, Mr. Sawarna noted agreements in place, projected construction, and that an active environmental assessment is required for provincial funding

- Intensification through land use planning assists in making transit more useful
- To a question regarding KEAF involvement with the Public Liaison Committee, Mr. Sawarna agreed and explained that this involvement would assist the technical team.
- It was queried where the larger questions become integrated into this process ie. assessment of environmental impacts on land use affected by the bridge, and that the Terms of Reference are not broad enough.
- Transit in the former Pittsburgh Township will be better when a bridge is built; the walkway is currently heavily used.
- The largest studies have been done: land use studies have been completed as noted within the Official Plan, and a Transportation Study regarding traffic patterns and growth has been completed.
- One lane of the Lasalle Causeway could be examined for bicycle and pedestrian use when the bridge is built.

REPORTS

BUSINESS

- a) **Update regarding Digitized KEAF new members package index** Distributed Separately in February.

This item which was distributed separately in February, was deferred from the March meeting.

This matter was deferred due to a lack of time.

- b) **Update regarding KEAF Annual Report**

A copy of the annual report was distributed separately in April, and again by email.

This matter was deferred due to a lack of time.

- c) **Discussion regarding Code of Conduct for Council and Committee Members**

At the regular meeting of Kingston City Council held on April 20, 2010, the following resolution, being Clause 3, Report No. 58, was deferred and referred to the Chief Administrative Officer for comment by senior staff and to all Committees to which Council appoints residents as members. It was directed that all comments be returned to the City Clerk and that the matter will be brought back to the Administrative Policies Committee for a report back to Council by June 22, 2010.

Distributed Separately.

Due to a lack of adequate time, it was agreed that any comments in regard to the Code of Conduct would be forwarded directly to the Committee Clerk.
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- d) **Update regarding KEAF Membership**

This matter was deferred due to a lack of time.

WORKING GROUP UPDATES

- a) **Inner Harbour Group (IHG)**
(Ms. Vorster)

- b) **Partners in Climate Protection Group (PCP)**
(Ms. Grant, Mr. Carnegie, Mr. Foster, Mr. Hsu, Mr. Pickering, Ms. Vorster)

- c) **Communications – Environmental Strategy Group**
(Mr. Bailey, Mr. Carpenter, Mr. Foster, Mr. Gventer, Councillor Osanic, Mr. Dubin)

OTHER BUSINESS

Poker Run

Concern was expressed concerning remarks made regarding KEAF at the Poker Run public meeting.

It was suggested that KEAF obtain a copy of the minutes of the meeting and consider making a public statement in regard to their mandate and work that is done by the Committee.

SHOW AND TELL ITEMS:

UPCOMING EVENTS:

CORRESPONDENCE/DOCUMENTS

A copy of the City report regarding lighting can be viewed at:

http://www.cityofkingston.ca/pdf/cityhall/committees/infrastructure/agenda/2010/EIT_A0510-10015.pdf

Correspondence Received as Information

Copies of the following correspondence were sent out, and will be available at the meeting if a member wishes to review the full document:

- a) **Memorandum** from Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk to Ms. Carolyn Downs, City Clerk dated 15 April 2010 regarding KEAF Membership .
- b) **Information Memorandum** from Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk to Mr. John Bolognone, Deputy City Clerk, dated 15 April 2010 regarding KEAF.
- c) **Correspondence** from Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk to Mr. David Kay, dated 26 April 2010 regarding Resignation from the Kingston Environmental Advisory Forum (KEAF).
- d) **Correspondence** from Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk to Mr. Andy Dubchak, dated 26 April 2010 regarding Resignation from the Kingston Environmental Advisory Forum (KEAF).
- e) **Correspondence** from Ms. Susan Powley, Committee Clerk to Ms. Vicki Remenda, dated 26 April 2010 regarding Resignation from the Kingston Environmental Advisory Forum (KEAF).

Correspondence Received as Information

- a) **Email Correspondence** from Ted Bailey to Marilyn Birmingham, Matthew Gventer, Tom Carpenter, Ian Dubin Robert Foster, Susan Powley, dated 22 April 2010 regarding Meeting Notes for KEAF CES Sub-committee (April 22, 2010).

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The meetings for 2010 are scheduled at 7:00 p.m. in the Rideaucrest Home Board Room as follows:

- 14 June
- 12 July
- 09 August
- 13 September
- 18 October
- 08 November
- 13 December

Any updates regarding the location, date and time will be noted on each meeting agenda and on the current City meeting calendar at: <http://www.cityofkingston.ca/cityhall/committees/keaf/agendas.asp>

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.

