

Committee Members Present:

Amy Burke
 Helen Bajorek MacDonald

Vanessa Hughes
 Elva Reid

Glen Murphy
 Madison Stange

Staff Present Lisa Backus Susan Hajnik Jennifer Cooke

Regrets:

Mayor Abernethy
 Ron Collis
 Mary Novak

Dave Clark
 Gordon Johnston
 Richard Marceau

Carlos Salazar
 Jonathan Wheatle

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OPENING REMARKS Vice chair	Vice-chair Amy Burke provided opening remarks. Due to the number of members who sent regrets a quorum is not present and therefore the committee is unable to pass any motions or make recommendations. The meeting will focus on upcoming projects. Congratulations to Helen, Elva and Ron on an excellent presentation to Council regarding Earthhour.	NO QUORUM. NO ACTIONS CAN BE TAKEN
WASTE DIVERSION ONTARIO	Amy Burke provided details regarding the Municipal Hazardous or Special Waste (MHSW) Program Plan. This program has been approved. Set to launch July 1, 2008 the program will help reduce, reuse, recycle and responsibly dispose of common household products such as paints, solvents, batteries and oil filters that can often end up being poured down the drain or thrown out with regular garbage. http://www.ene.gov.on.ca/en/news/2008/022101.php	
REVIEW OF PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES AND MEETING NOTES	Comments were provided.	
EARTH HOUR	Clarington Advertising - Earth Hour advertisements will/has run in the Clarington.net paper that is delivered quarterly to homes, and has been a banner in both the Clarington This Week and the Orono Times. Notices about will go on all of the information screens at all municipal facilities (MOC, Rickard, Courtice Complex, Library) the sign outside the BMO will also have a text version. Earthhour information will be	Jennifer

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Earth hour cont'd	<p>included in a second e-update. E-Update is an electronic newsletter sent from Planning Services to over 300 people/agencies/municipal offices.</p> <p>A letter will be drafted that can be sent to service groups and organizations to encourage their participation.</p> <p>Committee is to e-mail Sue or Lisa with either regular mail or e-mail addresses of companies/organizations that Earth Hour correspondence should be sent to. Provide details by March 7, 2008. Letters will be signed by both the Chair and Vice-Chair.</p> <p>Veridian and Hydro One will be metering electricity usage during Earth Hour. Veridian intends to do a comparison with the previous week's usage.</p> <p>A Facebook group/event will be created.</p> <p>Need to acknowledge participation in this event possibly with a letter of thanks afterwards.</p>	<p>Amy/Helen</p> <p>All</p> <p>Madison</p>
NEW BUSINESS Pitch-In-Clarington 2008	Amy Burke provided details regarding Pitch-in-Clarington. It will run between April 20 & 26, 2008. The 26 th is anticipated to be the most attended day. 2007 saw 2000 participants	Amy – further discussion at March meeting.
Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Living Green website www.bluetogreen.net Should be up and running soon. o A section of the Clarington.net paper will be "Living Green Tips" please get your tips/ideas to Jennifer. o Jennifer Cooke announced on behalf of the Committee that The Golden Book (yellow pages) will have a section of Environmental Tips sponsored by this committee. The living green logo will be on each page!!!! o Jennifer Cooke is meeting with Elaine Garnett Feb. 29, 2008 regarding the Green Challenge: to report back to committee at next meeting o The following matters were discussed but no decisions were made. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Working Groups <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Webpage o Clarington.net tips/ideas o Community Awards/recognition o Budget o Absenteeism o Council's eligibility to be Chair or Vice-chair o Green Challenge workplan o Committee protocol 	<p>Jennifer Cooke</p> <p>Future agenda items</p>
FUTURE AGENDA	<p><u>March 25, 2008</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Green Strategy Workshop o Pitch In Clarington 	

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