

**Committee Members Present:**

Amy Burke  
 Helen Bajorek MacDonald  
 Ron Collis

Madison Stange  
 Elva Reid  
 Gordon Johnston

Vanessa Hughes

**Co-ordinators Present:**

Carlos Salazar  
 Jennifer Cooke

**Staff Present**

Lisa Backus

**Regrets:** Mayor Abernethy, Councilor Mary Novak, Jonathon Wheatle, Glen Murphy, Richard Marceau, Dave Clark, Sheila Hall, Susan Hajnik

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion</b>	<b>Action</b>
<b>Opening Remarks</b>	Vice-chair Amy Burke chaired opened the meeting and introduced our presenter Jennifer Jeffrey.	
<b>Clean Air Foundation Presentation</b>	Jennifer Jeffrey from the Clean Air Foundation gave a brief presentation regarding the Power Savings Blitz Program. Veridian, in co-operation with the Ontario Power Authority has launched a program to encourage small business owners to use energy efficient measures at their facilities. By participating in the Power Savings Blitz, a company could be eligible for up to \$1000. in free lighting and electric water heater retrofits. Information flyers were distributed to committee members to distribute. Committee members asked several questions particularly about how to qualify. For more information go to <a href="http://www.veridian.on.ca">www.veridian.on.ca</a> .	<b>Jennifer Cooke to provide a link on the Green Committee website to this program.</b>
<b>Review of Minutes</b>	Deferred to October meeting	<b>Committee review for October.</b>
<b>Business arising</b>	See above	
<b>Communications Sub-committee</b>	Jennifer Cooke gave a brief update on the Green Challenge. The first report is due in mid-October. It will contain the base data that has been collected by Veridian and Waste Management.  1. There will be an On-air opportunity for a member to discuss the Challenge and the committee with Dan Carter.  2. Articles are needed for the Clarington.net	<b>1. A spokes-person is needed for on-air Green challenge discussion.</b>  <b>2. Add to Ideas page.</b>

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	<p>publication.</p> <p>3. Lisa Backus updated the committee on the Municipality's Corporate Energy Management Committee initiatives. It is a corporate wide committee. The current campaign is to reduce the corporations' energy consumption by 10% in 2009.</p>	<p><b>3. All members are to bring ideas for future Clarington.net articles to next meeting. Sub-committee to schedule their next meeting to further refine ideas and to write articles for Clarington.net. Subcommittee to report back at October meeting.</b></p> <p><b>4. Lisa Backus will provide a message from the Committee congratulating the Corporation on their initiatives for inclusion in the Clarington.net publication.</b></p>
<b>Planning Subcommittee</b>	<p>Elva Reid gave a brief overview of the Planning Subcommittee meeting held in September.</p> <p>Lisa Backus gave a brief overview of how the Committee will be assisting the Planning Services Department with the Official Plan Review.</p>	<b>Planning Subcommittee meeting to be scheduled</b>
<b>Budget</b>	<p>In order to assist with preparing a budget to submit to Director of Planning Services, the committee brainstormed possible expenditures for 2009. These included:</p> <p><b>Earth Hour:</b> Expand on our success with the event through more community participation, communication, and advertising.</p> <p><b>Youth Event:</b> Coordinate and deliver a special event with the environmental youth groups in the community at the high school level- Madison the youth rep will lead this project</p> <p><b>Green Achievers Awards Event:</b> Recognize the local companies/institutions and individuals that are doing something about the environment e.g. energy conservation, climate change</p> <p><b>Speaker Series:</b> Bring to the community speakers (e.g. David Suzuki) that will "open" minds and offer a different perspective on how to develop a community in a sustainable manner. These speakers should complement the official plan</p>	<b>Carlos Salazar to prepare a draft budget.</b>

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	<p>review process.</p> <p><b>Businesses/Home Energy Audits:</b> Accomplish 2000 energy audits in 2009 in partnership with local utilities businesses.</p> <p><b>Conferences:</b> Allocate funds for registration to enable committee members to attend conferences and workshops.</p> <p><b>Display Booth and Printed materials:</b> Purchase a display booth and design and prints materials for exhibit/distribution at special events in the community, or for use when representing the municipality in exhibitions/conferences.</p>	
<b>Correspondence</b>	<p>Several committee members indicated they were going to attend the Provincial EAC meeting.</p> <p>Amy Burke thanked Mr. Stephenson for his emailed submission regarding the Green Challenge. Acknowledged that some of his ideas could be included in the Green Strategy. Amy Burke invited Mr. Stephenson to speak briefly about his correspondence to the committee.</p>	<b>Mr. Stephenson submitted correspondence, “The future looks grim - #5” for the committee’s consideration at its next meeting.</b>
<b>New Business</b>		
<b>Preliminary Agenda Items</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>o Elections are to be held for position of Chair.</li> <li>o Madison to give an update on youth initiatives</li> <li>o Moved to November - Smog Summit presentation – Faye Langmaid, Manager, Special Projects, Planning Services.</li> </ul>	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	October 28, 2008	
	Meeting Adjourned at 8:50 p.m.	
	Motion to adjourn by	<b>Carried</b>