

Committee Members Present: Ron Collis Elva Reid
 Amy Burke Gordon Johnston Jonathon Wheatle
 Helen Bajorek MacDonald Richard Marceau
Madison Stange Vanessa Hughes

Coordinators Present: Carlos Salazar, Sheila Hall, Jennifer Cooke
Staff Present: Susan Hajnik, Lisa Backus
Regrets: Councilor Mary Novak, Mayor Abernethy, Dave Clarke, Bill Cawker

<i>Agenda Item</i>	<i>Discussion</i>	<i>Action</i>
Meeting called to order:	Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM	
	Bill Cawker will replace Glen Murphy on Committee	
Chanel 12	Elaine Garnet from Channel 12 has offered to have someone from Committee sit for a 1 hour live talk show with Dan Carter tentatively scheduled for March 19. The focus of the interview will be the Green Living Committee with emphasis on Earth Hour activities. This is in the early planning stages and nothing is definite yet. Councilor Novak has offered to accompany Amy. Items under consideration include a possible education component.	Amy to follow up
Review Minutes	One error noted: Elva Reid was not listed as present/absent. Moved by Elva, 2 nd by Vanessa That the minutes from the November 25 th meeting be approved with changes.	Sue Carried
Business Arising	<u>Green Star Expo:</u> Committee has decided to decline the invitation to attend this year's Green Start Expo. EAC Symposium has put together a database of Green (Environmental) Committees and grass roots groups and their websites/contact info. We now have access to this database. They are currently compiling a list of websites for these groups. When that is available we will forward the information. <u>Green Challenge:</u> All the commercial spots are now posted on the web http://bluetogreen.clarington.net/clarington_challenge.html The web site has a request for people to tell us what they are doing to live "green". This is for businesses and individuals.	Jennifer will investigate purchasing tickets to allow committee members to attend and report back to Committee at a later meeting.
New Business	<u>2009 Workplan</u>	

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	<p>Amy is scheduled to attend Monday March 2, 2009 Council meeting to present the committee's 2009 workplan and give an Earth Hour Update.</p> <p>Moved by Amy, seconded by Helen <i>That the 2009 Workplan be approved</i></p> <p>Youth Sub-Committee – Youth Initiative Workshop report prepared and submitted to the committee for comments and suggestions. Meeting schedule to discuss the follow-up meeting in the coming months.</p>	<p>Carried</p>
Earth Hour 2009	<p>Earth Hour sub-committee provided a draft of the press release that will be sent out shortly.</p> <p>Earth Hour is Saturday, March 28th, 2009 at 8:30 p.m.</p> <p>The Committee with the assistance of the Clarington Museum will be having a gathering on the lawn of the museum during Earth Hour. Activities will include Charles Tawes doing a reading of life in Ontario before electricity and a wandering minstrel. Those wishing to attend are encouraged to bring a flashlight.</p> <p>The Earth Hour poster has been created. Jennifer Cooke will produce some in-house, the bulk will be outsourced for printing. Mailing Lists have been created of groups, clubs, business to be sent Earth Hour posters.</p> <p>Clarington is officially registered as a participant in Earth Hour. Participants are encouraged to let us know how they plan to “power-down” during earth hour by e-mailing claringtonearthhour@clarington.net.</p> <p>A Clarington Earth Hour group will be created on Facebook, possibly just updating last years.</p>	<p>Jennifer</p> <p>Committee to forward additional names/addresses to staff for inclusion.</p> <p>Madison/ Jennifer</p>
Correspondence	<p>Association of Municipalities of Ontario (AMO) sent correspondence encouraging all municipalities to participate in World Wildlife Fun (WWF) Earth Hour and the Ontario Power Authority (OPA) Energy Conservation Week.</p> <p>A resolution from the City of Kingston regarding reduction of waste related to the Christmas season. Requesting the federal and provincial governments create legislation requiring all wrapping paper manufactured and sold within their jurisdiction be recyclable.</p> <p>The Durham Environmental Advisory Committee has an opening for one representative from Clarington.</p>	<p>Received for info</p> <p>Received; to be added to next agenda.</p> <p>Received; to be added to next agenda.</p>

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New Business	Clarington and the Living Green Committee will host the next Durham Sustainability Stewardship Program (DSSP) Stakeholder Stewardship meeting April 3 at the MAC. This will be the third meeting held in Durham Region.	Committee should consider putting together a presentation, possibly our 2009 workplan.
	Ontario Green Energy Act: Received first Reading on Feb 23, 2009. Information sessions are being held throughout the province.	Consideration should be given to hosting a Green Energy Act Information Session
	DSEA is co-sponsoring THE HONOURABLE GEORGE SMITHERMAN Deputy Premier, Minister of Energy and Infrastructure Friday, March 27, 2009 at TOSCA Banquet Facility, Oshawa.	UOIT willing to facilitate Green Committee participation; Jonathon and Richard to follow-up with committee.
Workshop	Staff facilitated the second Committee workshop. Meeting adjourned at 9:10 p.m.	Committee to complete summary sheets; return to staff by March 11, 2009.