

Integrated Community Energy & Climate Action Plans (ICECAP) Stakeholder Committee Meeting Minutes

held on Thursday, June 16th, 2022 at 9:00 am via Zoom

ICECAP Corporate (Voting) Stakeholders Present:

D. Moffatt, Councillor, Township of Seguin (Co-Chair)
M. Taylor, Records Clerk/ Deputy Clerk, Township of Carling
P. Koetsier, Mayor, Township of Georgian Bay
J. Schnier, Director of Sustainability, Township of Georgian Bay
J. Ryman, Councillor, Municipality of McDougall
S. Brisbane, Treasurer, Municipality of McDougall
M. Kearns, Director of Public Works, Town of Parry Sound
P. Borneman, Councillor, Town of Parry Sound
D. O'Brien, Director of Community Services, Township of Seguin
S. Kell, Species At Risk Biologist and Program Coordinator, Shawanaga First Nation
B. Gorham-Matthews, Municipality of Whitestone
M. Hendry, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk, Municipality of Whitestone
J. Tynan, Board Member, Georgian Bay Biosphere

ICECAP (Non-Voting) Partners Present:

R. McCullough, Director Solid Waste Management, County of Simcoe
G. Cornell, Warden, Simcoe County
K. McLlwain, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk, Township of Carling
N. Ryeland, Councillor, Township of McKellar
C. Harris, Chief Administrative Officer, Town of Parry Sound
J. Inwood, Chief Administrative Officer, Township of Seguin
T. Faulkner, North Bay Parry Sound District Health Unit
G. Barden, Director, Georgian Bay Biosphere
A. Promaine, Georgian Bay Islands National Park, Parks Canada
G. Lind, Energy, Environmental and Design Consultant, Hydro One
J. Ghent-Fuller, Director, Manitouwabing Lake Community Association
K. Mueller, President, Otter Lake Ratepayers Association
T. Best, McKellar Environment Committee
K. Boyle, Climate Change Coordinator, District Municipality of Muskoka

Georgian Bay Biosphere Staff:

D. Bywater, Conservation Programs Manager
I. Moy, Climate Change and Sustainability Program Coordinator
B. Pollock, Executive Director
B. John, Climate and Energy Programs Manager

S. Cunningham, Climate and Sustainability Technical Lead
E. Kramer, Board Member, Georgian Bay Biosphere
D. Arnold, Education Programs Manager

1. Guest Presentation

Presented by the Simcoe County Waste Management Team, Warden George Cornell and Rob McCullough. The recorded presentation is available upon request to ICECAP members.

2. Adopt Agenda

Motion to adopt the agenda, as presented, for June 16, 2022.

Resolution No. 2022-06

Moved by: J. Ryman

Seconded by: P. Koetsier

CARRIED

3. Welcome & Quorum

ICECAP Co-Chair, Daryle Moffatt, welcomed participants and noted that attendance would be taken by Georgian Bay Biosphere (GBB) staff and recorded in the Minutes. An overview of voting procedures and a current list of voting members was provided.

It was noted that the meeting had Quorum, with 8 of 10 voting members present.

4. Adopt Minutes

Motion to adopt the minutes from ICECAP Corporate Stakeholder Committee Meeting held on February 9, 2022.

Resolution No. 2022-07

Moved by: P. Borneman

Seconded by: P. Koetsier

CARRIED

5. Governance

5.1 Shawanaga First Nation (SFN) was welcomed to the ICECAP partnership as an official member. Gratitude was expressed by all those involved in having them join.

5.2 A Special Members Meeting was proposed to discuss amendments to the Memorandum of Understanding Amendments. Proposed discussion items include:

- Schedule A annual fee entitles vote
- Do unpaid workplan invoices affect voting powers?
- Do members vote on matters related to all deliverables? Or just the ones they are receiving in a given year?

Motion to call a Special Members Meeting to discuss MOU amendments at a future date.

Resolution No. 2022-08

Moved by: P. Koetsier

Seconded by: J. Ryman

CARRIED

5.3 Motion to keep the same arrangement of ICECAP co-chairs until the election of new co-chairs in the fall of 2022.

- Current co-chairs will soon both represent Seguin Township.
- Daryle Moffatt is not running for re-election in 2022.
- Both arrangements were deemed acceptable by the members present.

Resolution No. 2022-09

Moved by: J. Ryman

Seconded by: P. Borneman

CARRIED

5.4 New Council appointed liaisons will be required this fall, following municipal elections (2022). GBB Staff will confirm with Clerks when ICECAP letters of request will be required (fall 2022-winter 2023).

6. Adopt Quarterly Reports

Motion to adopt Q1 report, as circulated.

Resolution No. 2022-10

Moved by: P. Borneman

Seconded by: J. Ryman

CARRIED

7. Project Management

Work Plan Progress: I. Moy provided a presentation on ICECAP progress from February 2022 to present and an update on current community engagement.

- Welcome to Benjamin John, Climate and Energy Programs Manager at the GBB
- Corporate & Community Milestones 2, 3, and 4 are in progress
- Climate Action Survey results were shared

Funding Opportunities: B. John provided an overview on current grant opportunities. Members were encouraged to connect with GBB about funding interests and/or needs.

- Federation of Canadian Municipalities' (FCM) Community Buildings Retrofit grant
- Fleet – FCM Reduce Fossil Fuel Use in Fleets Program
- Waste – FCM Waste Reduction and Diversion Program

Climate Adaptation: I. Moy provided an update on the *Advancing Adaptation* program that Shawanaga First Nation and the Town of Parry Sound are participating in.

- Vulnerability and Risk Assessment phase completed in May
- Adaptation Planning workshop upcoming on June 22nd, 2022
- Adaptation Planning part two continues in September, Regional Climate Change Adaptation Plan expected completion date December 2022.

8. Roundtable:

Seguin

- M2 and M3 work currently in process of being brought to council
- Waiting on NOHFC grant for roof replacement, looking into solar
- Waiting on delivery of electric ice re-surfacer
- Completed many LED switchovers and currently taking corporate inventory
- Food Cycler program a “big hit”
- Adopted trail management plan and received funding for trail expansion

Town of Parry Sound

- Food Cycler program underway
- Upgrading trail systems
- F. Pengra's role from TOPS to Seguin and current transition period
- Partnering with Georgian Bay Forever on environmental projects including implementing drainage grating to prevent plastic outwash into waterways
- Researching new approach to fleet procurement

Shawanaga First Nation

- Doing SFN-specific Vulnerability Assessment for Climate Adaptation program
- Potential partnership with GBB for assistance in net-zero build project
- Looking to hire a new Community Energy Champion

Whitestone

- In process of completing M1
- Green Shovels funded community tool kit for residents to fight invasive species
- Beginning the creation of a lake inventory of local lake environmental health

McDougall

- Noted positive results of resident participation in the Climate Action Survey
- Continuing to discuss and move forward on M1

Township of Georgian Bay

- Pleasant remarks on opening presentation and need for waste diversion
- EV chargers at the Township parking lot and EV vehicle
- Tesla putting in upgraded fast chargers
- Rehabilitating the Downtown Honey Harbour Gardens with Indigenous knowledge on native plantings with Wahta Mohawk community
- Emphasis on FCM funding at retrofit level for municipal portfolio

Carling

- Solar priced out of installation on community centre for the roofs
- Progress with M2 and M3 with the GBB, as well as reviewing M1
- Working on methods to engage with public and community members

District Municipality of Muskoka

- Restarting mitigation planning processes
- Overview of GHG tracking tool for changes to Work from Home Policy

Otterlake Ratepayers Association

- Water testing and benthics monitoring with Seguin
- Starting eDNA testing for species at risk

Hydro One

- Near completion of battery storage pilot program with 2023 launch

9. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn.

Resolution No. 2022-11

Moved by: P. Borneman

Seconded by: D. O'Brien

CARRIED

Meeting adjourned at 11:15 AM on June 16, 2022.

No date has been set for the next meeting.