

**MINUTES FROM THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE
MONDAY NOVEMBER 2, 2009 7:00 PM
CARSTAIRS MUNICIPAL OFFICE**

IN ATTENDANCE: Melissa Copley, Dennise Braithwaite, Tricia Hewitt, Amber Nielsen, Catherine Pratt, Martin Ratz, Anne Strilchuk, Councilor Cairns, Councilor Wise, Sustainability Coordinator Jan Thompson

ABSENT:

INTRODUCTION OF COMMITTEE: There was an informal time of introduction with each Committee member.

NOMINATION OF CHAIR: Motion by A. Strilchuk to appoint M. Copley to Chair the Sustainability Committee.

CARRIED

Motion by C. Pratt to nominate M. Ratz to Vice Chairmen to the Sustainability Committee.

CARRIED

CALL TO ORDER: M. Copley called meeting of November 2, 2009 to order at 7:20 pm.

CARRIED

ADDED ITEMS: Nil

AMENDMENTS & ACCEPTANCE OF AGENDA: Motion by M. Ratz to accept the agenda of November 2, 2008 meeting as presented.

CARRIED

CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES: Nil

UNFINISHED BUSINESS: Nil

DELEGATIONS: Nil

CORRESPONDENCE: **1. KLM One Earth Corporation – Municipal Water Savings Project**
2. Parkland Airshed Management Zone – Idle Free Campaign for Motor Vehicles

Motion by Councilor Cairns to accept all correspondence as information.

CARRIED

Motion by M. Ratz to have Councilor Cairns report to Council on all Sustainability Committee meetings.

CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Sustainability Committee Terms of Reference

-The Terms of Reference were reviewed with Committee

2. Year One Action Plan

-Reviewed and discussed the One Year Action Plan highlighting what we have already completed to date and what initiatives will be looking at for 2010.

Motion by K. Pratt to review the first year plan and bring our individual priority list back to the next committee meeting with an action plan for each initiative.

CARRIED

N.B. Councilor Wise entered the meeting at 7:36 pm.

**GENERAL DISCUSSION/
CONCERNS:**

1. Committee made a request that the Sustainability Coordinator provide more information on the dual conversion kits. Committee needs information on how easy is this conversion kit to install. What Communities use them? Is there a possible program for the town? What is the Cost of this? What other companies supply them? Is there someone local we can purchase them from? What is the warranty on these kits? Will they save money and how much money?

2. Councilor Wise discussed a home sprinkler system that Gold Seal Homes has offered to their new home owners.

3. There was some discussion on a date and time that works best for the Committee but will revisit this next meeting.

SPECIAL REPORT:

Sustainability Coordinator gave a brief year to date report on the Carstairs Sustainability Plan, highlighting the initiatives brought forward from both the Sustainability Committee and Solid Waste Committee. Highlighting the plan, website, Farmers Market and education to the public.

NEXT MEETING:

Tuesday December 8, 2009 at 7:00 pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion by A. Strilchuk to adjourn the November 2, 2009 meeting at 8:28 pm.

CARRIED

Melissa Copley, Chair

Ray Cairns, Councilor