

1ST REPORT OF THE
AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting held on December 17, 2014, commencing at 7:30 PM, in Committee Room #1, Second Floor, London City Hall.

PRESENT: V H. Fletcher (Chair), L. McKenna and S. Twynstra and B. Mercier (Secretary).

ABSENT: V. Trudell.

ALSO PRESENT: L. Mottram.

I. CALL TO ORDER

1. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that no pecuniary interests were disclosed.

II. SCHEDULED ITEMS

None.

III. CONSENT ITEMS

2. 4th Report of the Agricultural Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that the 4th Report of the Agricultural Advisory Committee from its meeting held on September 17, 2014 was received.

3. 9th, 10th, 11th and 1st Reports of the Advisory Committee on the Environment

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that the 9th, 10th, 11th and 1st Reports of the Advisory Committee on the Environment from its meetings held on September 3, October 1, November 5 and December 3, 2014, respectively, were received.

4. Resignation – Agricultural Advisory Committee

Recommendation: That, the communication dated October 9, 2014, from J. Asmussen, with respect to his resignation from the Agricultural Advisory Committee, **BE RECEIVED**.

5. Public Open House – Draft London Plan

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that a Notice dated October 31, 2014, from H. McNeely, Senior Planner, with respect to an invitation to a public open house on the draft London Plan, was received.

6. Notice of Application – 6421 Wellington Road South

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that a Notice dated October 1, 2014, from S. Wise, Planner II, with respect to an application submitted by John and Jeffrey Ferguson (c/o Archibald, Grey and McKay Ltd.) relating to the property located at 6421 Wellington Road South, was received.

7. Benefits of Neonicotinoid Seed Treatments to Soybean Production

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that a communication dated October 15, 2014, from the United States Environmental Protection Agency, submitted by V. Trudell, with respect to the benefits of neonicotinoid seed treatments to soybean production, was received.

8. Protecting Pollinator Health and Pesticide Use

Recommendation: That the following actions be taken with respect to protecting pollinator health and pesticide use:

- a) the attached communication from Farms.com, submitted by S. Twynstra, with respect to an article entitled, "Daynard: Critique of the Ontario Government Document on Bee Health and Use of Neonicotinoid Pesticides", a discussion paper by the Government of Ontario, **BE RECEIVED** for further information and background, with respect to this matter; and,
- b) it **BE NOTED** that a communication dated November 26, 2014, from I. Kalsi, Manager, Environmental Health and Project Manager for PCB Blood Study, with respect the Ontario Government News Release on "Reducing Pesticide Use and Protecting Pollinator Health, was received.

9. Wonderland Road South Class Environmental Assessment

Recommendation: That it **BE NOTED** that the communication dated November 24, 2014, from M. Chiu, Consultant Project Manager, MMM Group, with respect to the Wonderland Road South Class Environmental Assessment Public Information Centre #2, was received.

IV. SUB-COMMITTEES & WORKING GROUPS

None.

IV. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

None.

V. DEFERRED MATTERS/ADDITIONAL BUSINESS

None.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 7:58 PM.

Next Meeting Date: March 18, 2015 at 7:30 PM
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