



**MINUTES OF THE SUSTAINABILITY COMMITTEE MEETING
FEBRUARY 12, 2009; 3:00 PM – 4:00 PM
MUNICIPAL BOARD ROOM**

Present: Alan Bond, Angus Bowie, Donnie MacDonald (Chair), Bill MacFarlane, Mary MacLellan, Kuli Malhotra, Debbie Cormier, Allison Duggan, John Bain and Lindsay Lyghtle (Eastern District Planning Commission)

Regrets: None

The meeting was called to order by Donnie at 3:00 pm.

1. Approval of Minutes:
 - The Meeting Minutes of the January 8, 2009 meeting were approved as circulated. Moved by Councillor Angus Bowie and seconded by Councillor Mary MacLellan.
2. Literature Review:
 - Kuli shared that he has completed the literature review of important documents which include planning documents and work that has been done on sustainability/ICSP to-date at the County. He noted that he will continue to review material over the coming months.
3. Sustainability Webpage:
 - A Sustainability web page has been created on the County's Website. The purpose is to provide information on progress towards the ICSP for the community and staff. The consensus of the Committee is to have all documents made available on the website.
4. Staff engagement and inclusion:
 - A presentation was made by Kuli to the County's staff on ICSP. Questions from staff centred more around their engagement and their potential involvement in the development of the ICSP. Kuli requested that he would like to have further sessions with staff to ensure that their planning and departmental goals are incorporated in ICSP objectives. The Committee agreed with this request.
 - Kuli requested that a member of the Eastern District Planning Commission be present at monthly Sustainability Committee meetings. John Bain confirmed that Lindsay Lyghtle would be present at the meetings.
 - John Bain explained the involvement of the EDPC in the development of ICSP's is under consideration.



5. Public Consultation Plan:

- Kuli provided a draft of the ICSP Public Consultation Plan which was sent previously to the Committee. The Committee approved the plan.
- Council will be asked to review the proposed consultation schedule in the plan and confirm participation dates. Kuli has requested that Council members co-facilitate the public sessions. Councillor MacDonald will bring the schedule to Council so that the remaining Council members can have their input in the schedule.
- Support has been offered from the RDA. Their role will be to transcribe notes and provide support.
- A request by the County's Active Living Co-ordinator to attend these sessions, as well, to ask brief questions at the end of the session with respect to this concept was approved by the Committee.
- Advertisement of sessions: Kuli mentioned that the sessions will be advertised in the Casket, the Quad County paper and radio stations as well as through listservs. Mary recommended that the sessions also be advertised in The Reporter and in Parish bulletins. Kuli will prepare an Ad and send to Committee for review and feedback.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.