



**MUNICIPALITY OF NORTH GRENVILLE**  
**MAYOR'S TASKFORCE ON CLEAN TECHNOLOGY MINUTES**

**September 16, 2024, 2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**  
**Held in Meeting Room 1, 285 County Road 44**

MEMBERS PRESENT Councillor Deb Wilson  
Greg Lane  
Cholly Boland  
James McNeil  
Wayne Brown  
Kevin Willey  
Shawn Carnegie  
Nadia Diakun-Thibault  
Mayor Nancy Peckford  
Matt Gilmer, Manager of Economic Development & Tourism

STAFF PRESENT Chloe Preston, Municipal Clerk  
Mary Remmig, Deputy Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT Gaby Kalapos, Clean Air Partnership  
Bruce Enloe, Executive Assistant to the Mayor

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**A. Open Meeting**

Mayor Nancy Peckford called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

**B. Land Acknowledgement**

The land acknowledgement was read by Councillor Deb Wilson.

**C. Approval of the Agenda**

The agenda was accepted by the Task Force as presented.

**D. Disclosure of Interest**

None at this time.

**E. Delegations**

Gaby Kalapos of the Clean Air Partnership delivered a presentation to the Taskforce.

Mayor Nancy Peckford asked where the Clean Air Partnership has seen municipalities leverage certain technologies.

Gaby Kalapos noted that each municipality is being strategic in finding its own avenue. She advised that implementation of a Climate Action Plan will be a critical guiding document in this regard.

Mayor Nancy Peckford asked if Clean Air Partnership supports municipalities in pursuit of funding.

Gaby Kalapos confirmed. She recommended the municipality have a Climate Action Plan as a minimum to reach a state of readiness for assistance.

James McNeil gave an overview of the Better Homes Ottawa program and explained how it is like a levy.

Gaby Kalapos noted that municipalities are trying to advance green initiatives by creating green development standards for new developments.

Mayor Nancy Peckford asked if Gaby Kalapos has found a community that has had success with green infrastructure implementation.

Gaby Kalapos noted stormwater management as another opportunity municipalities are focusing on.

Greg Lane asked about taxation for privately owned and maintained forests.

Gaby Kalapos advised that, to her knowledge, privately managed forests on private lands could be taxed to some degree.

Mayor Nancy Peckford thought 2025 would be a good target to implement a Climate Action Plan. She suggested recommending a sustainability framework to Council. In her opinion, this is an area where North Grenville is underdeveloped.

Mayor Nancy Peckford asked about the arrangements for delegations from Caledon and Ottawa to assist with a path forward.

Municipal Clerk, Chloe Preston advised that responses had not yet been received.

James McNeil suggested delegations from Better Buildings Ottawa.

Wayne Brown suggested providing a framework to speakers of what the group would like to discuss with them.

Mayor Nancy Peckford agreed to contact Caledon for a delegation in November 2024.

Municipal Clerk, Chloe Preston suggested reserving the November meeting as a starting date for the Task Force's interim report which is due to Council January 2025.

1. Clean Air Partnership

**F. Decision Items**

1. Approve Minutes of Previous Meeting

Municipal Clerk, Chloe Preston, advised that the Senior Management Team is reviewing the Task Force's recommendation respecting the Partners for Climate Protection (PCP) program to determine the appropriate staff contact to plug into the resolution.

Moved By                      Shawn Carnegie

Seconded By                 Wayne Brown

*Be it resolved that:*

*The minutes of the Mayor's Task Force on Clean Technology meeting minutes on August 26, 2024 approved as circulated.*

**CARRIED**

1. Committee Meeting Minutes - August 26, 2024

**G. Correspondence/Information Items/Reports**

1. Compostable Waste Project

Shawn Carnegie advised of the City of Ottawa and Pembroke programs. He advised that there was a compost drop off with the Ferguson Forest Centre at one time. He would like the municipality to review options to implement a program similar to the Ottawa Valley Waste Recovery Centre.

Mayor Nancy Peckford confirmed that Task Force would like the Director of Public Works to discuss other municipal programs, a potential site in North Grenville to host a program and a baseline program which could be built upon.

2. Potential European Green Initiatives

Nadia Diakun-Thibault, the initial proponent of this item, could not speak to this item at the time of the meeting. This item will be deferred until October 2024.

3. Resilient Caledon - Community Climate Action Plan

Mayor Nancy Peckford confirmed she will pursue Christina Guido at the municipality of Caledon to delegate at a future meeting of the Committee to discuss their Climate Action Plan.

**H. Other Business**

1. Items for Next Meeting

Shawn Carnegie asked about Official Plan consultation with the Task Force.

Mayor Nancy Peckford noted that all members of the Task Force sit on other Committees of Council.

Nadia Diakun-Thibault suggested her review of Municipal By-laws and Policies in order to identify inhibitors to be addressed through guiding policies for green initiatives.

Mayor Nancy Peckford thought that this is where the framework from a Climate Action Plan would come in. The Plan should help identify any new policies needed and any policy updates.

Municipal Clerk, Chloe Preston advised on the purpose of the Task Force including developing recommendations to Council to move forward on clean technology initiatives within the community. One of the recommendations could be to implement an Advisory Committee to advise on the clean technology initiatives and the preparation of a Climate Action Plan.

Greg Lane volunteered to assist with drafting the Task Force's interim report.

1. Delegation - Community Futures Grenville (October 21, 2024)
2. Compostable Yard Waste Project (October 21, 2024)
3. Delegation - City of Ottawa Climate Change Unit (TBD)
4. Clean Air Partnership - Delegation Debrief (October 21, 2024)

**I. Public Questions**

None.

**J. Adjournment**

Moved By                      Shawn Carnegie

Seconded By                 Deb Wilson

*Be it resolved that:*

*The meeting be adjourned at 3:52 p.m.*

**CARRIED**