

The motions are as follows:

- 1) That the Corporation of the Municipality of North Grenville update By-Laws No. 46-70 and No. 33-00 to be compliant with Provincial environmental legislation and regulations, and
- 2) That the said by-laws comply with Federal environmental legislation and regulations, and
- 3) That said by-laws incorporate and reflect current environmental approaches that protect and enhance biodiversity in the Municipality, both urban and rural areas, and
- 4) That said by-laws be founded on scientific evidence-based principles and incorporate international environmental nature-based approaches throughout the Municipality, both urban and rural, that apply techniques that pre-empt and mitigate the effects of adverse weather and climate change, for example, swales (shallow, broad and vegetated channels designed to store and/or convey runoff and remove pollutants.), to protect infrastructure, etc., and
- 5) That the Municipality embark on public education and promotion of nature-based solutions to protect infrastructure, and remediate adverse effects of climate change, excessive heat, ice storms, and heavy rains, not limited to the generality foregoing, and
- 6) That the Municipality make available public education resources through communication and public channels, for residents to use and assist in the community-wide action by converting one-third of their existing lawns to bio-diverse and climate change mitigating garden habitats as groupings of native and non-invasive neo-native plant species (including grasses, forbs, shrubs, and trees) by 2030, and
- 7) The Municipality explore the viability of requesting property developers.
 - a. To rescind existing covenants requiring homeowners to keep and tend lawns, and
 - b. Cease to impose lawn covenants in future.
- 8) That the Municipality explore the creation of a position dedicated to Environmental Affairs.

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Seconded By: Peter Fredrichs

That the EAAC recommend to Council to consider the eight motions presented.

Carried