



# City of Barrie

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## Minutes - Final Environmental Advisory Committee

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Wednesday, March 5, 2014

7:00 PM

Sir Robert Barrie Room

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For consideration by the Community Services Committee of the City of Barrie on April 16, 2014.

The Environmental Advisory Committee met at 7:00 p.m. and the following were in attendance:

**Present:**

Councillor, L. Strachan  
P. Burzstyn, Vice Chair  
A. McNair  
A. Miller  
J. Dolan  
G. Poisson.

**Staff:**

Manager of Fleet Services, B. Pirie  
Senior Communications Advisor, S. LaMantia  
Risk Management Official, S. Diemert  
Recording Secretary, L. Driver.

**The Environmental Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "A"**

**STORMWATER MANAGEMENT UPDATE**

The Committee met and discussed the memo from S. Patterson, Manager of Infrastructure Planning, regarding criteria used to rank and score ponds, evaluation of each retrofit opportunity, assessment of stormwater management facilities to reduce phosphorous discharges, and the drainage area dimensions of the Kidds Creek watershed.

The Committee asked several questions and received responses from S. Diemert, Risk Management Official.

**The Environmental Advisory Committee met and recommends adoption of the following recommendations:**

**SECTION "B"**

**ANTI-IDLING**

1. That Access Barrie, in partnership with the Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit and Natural Resources Canada, create an anti-idling awareness campaign.
2. That staff in the Roads, Parks and Fleet department review the current anti-idling policy and give consideration to extending the policy to include City-employed contractors; and also investigate the feasibility of implementing an anti-idling by-law and report back to the Environmental Advisory Committee before August 31, 2014.

**This matter was recommended to the Community Services Committee for consideration of adoption at its meeting to be held on 4/16/2014.**

**The Environmental Advisory Committee met and reports as follows:**

**SECTION "C"**

**WATER BILLING VS. WATER CONSERVATION**

The Committee met and discussed water billing vs. water conservation. Staff in the Finance department will provide further information to clarify the current fixed and variable water billing rates for discussion at a future Environmental Advisory Committee meeting.

**SMALL BUSINESS HOME TOWN HEROES**

The Committee met and discussed the Small Business Home Town Heroes Award. The Committee considered an endorsement request from Firebird Community Cycle to support their application for the Earth Day Canada Group Hometown Heroes Award and agreed to support Firebird Community Cycle's application in the form of a letter of reference.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.**