

THE CORPORATION OF THE TOWN OF GEORGINA Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee Agenda

Tuesday, January 21, 2025 7:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

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- 2. ROLL CALL
- 3. COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 4. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)
- 5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA
- 6. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF
- 7. ADOPTION OF MINUTES
 - 1. Minutes of the meeting held on October 22, 2024
- 8. SPEAKERS
- 9. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS
- 10. PRESENTATIONS
- 11. REPORTS

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12. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

1. Tree Planting Initiatives 2024

For Committee information regarding the presentation delivered to Council on January 15th, 2025.

- 13. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION
- 14. OTHER BUSINESS
- 15. CLOSED SESSION
- 16. MOTION TO ADJOURN



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TOWN OF GEORGINA

Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, October 22, 2024 Time: 7:00 PM

Members of Committee Present:	Dave Neeson Lee Dale Mary-Lynn Seeley Austin Rooney
Members of Committee Absent:	Mark Setter

Staff Present: Cheyenne McAnuff, Records and Information Coordinator Stephanie Wolfe, Climate Initiatives Lead Neil Comer, Climate Initiatives Advisor Simone Weinstein, Grant Specialist

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Called to Order at 7:01pm

2. ROLL CALL

As noted above

3. INTRODUCTION OF ADDENDUM ITEM(S)

None

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0032

Moved By Austin Rooney Seconded By Lee Dale

That the October 22, 2024 Agenda be approved as presented.

Carried

5. DECLARATION OF PECUNIARY INTEREST AND GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

None

6. ADOPTION OF MINUTES

1. Minutes from the September 17, 2024 Meeting

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0033

Moved By Mary-Lynn Seeley Seconded By Lee Dale

That the Minutes of the meeting held on September 17, 2024 be approved as presented.

Carried

7. SPEAKERS

None

8. DELEGATIONS/ PETITIONS

None

9. **PRESENTATIONS**

1. Climate Change Action Plan Priority Risks and Opportunities

Stephanie Wolfe, Climate Initiatives Lead, to provide results of climate hazards risk assessment and greenhouse gas inventory and present priority risks and impacts for Committee feedback.

Stephanie Wolfe provided an in-depth presentation on the priority risks and opportunities as they pertain to the Climate Change Action Plan. In terms of the project timeline, the Town is currently in Phase Four of the Climate Change Action Plan Development. To develop the risk assessment, Staff projected the status of 18 climate hazard variables to predict climate hazard projections for 2050, and Staff utilized the Provincial Risk Assessment matrix to assess the risk of the various climate hazards. There were various engagement opportunities with the public community, Town staff, and stakeholder focus groups. Staff provided a comprehensive overview of each of the main climate hazards as well as the risks associated, organized from highest risk to lower risks, and provided an overview of data sources and metrics that were used to gather these results. Next steps include presenting the Risk Assessment results to Council on November 20, 2024, develop actions for the highest priority risks, complete the greenhouse gas inventory, and develop implementation and communication tools.

Lee Dale: Is there any synergy between what the Town of Georgina is doing and what York Region is doing?

Stephanie Wolfe: York Region has their own Climate Change Action Plan, a Health and Vulnerability Assessment, and Energy Conservation and Demand Management (carbon emissions inventory). The Town has been in communication with the Region as we are collaborating with data and metrics, and will continually consult the Region and cross reference between the Town and Region's Climate Change Action Plans. The Town will also continue to consult with the LSCRA and Public Health.

Mary-Lynn Seeley: Two other key areas to focus on would be the affects that climate change has on mental health, particularly when it comes to youth, and accessibility for the vulnerable members of the community to be able to access services such as cooling centres, and access to transportation during severe weather events.

Stephanie Wolfe: In the larger presentation slide deck, there is a section for more over-arching affects of climate change that includes mental health, and Staff have been ensuring that all plans are in compliance with accessibility standards.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0034

Moved By Lee Dale Seconded By Mary-Lynn Seeley

That the presentation regarding the Climate Change Action Plan Priority Risks and Opportunities be received as presented.

Carried

10. REPORTS

None

11. GENERAL INFORMATION ITEMS

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0035

Moved By Austin Rooney Seconded By Mary-Lynn Seeley

That the 2025 Georgina Environmental Advisory Committee Schedule be adopted as presented.

Carried

2. Summary of Ideas for 2025 Committee Initiatives

Austin Rooney: add electric vehicle fleet program to the list, have staff report back to the Committee on Town electric vehicles and long-term planning.

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0036

Moved By Lee Dale Seconded By Austin Rooney

That the Summary of Ideas for 2025 Committee Initiatives be received as amended.

Carried

12. MOTIONS/ NOTICES OF MOTION

None

13. OTHER BUSINESS

None

14. CLOSED SESSION

None

15. MOTION TO ADJOURN

RESOLUTION NO. GEAC-2024-0037

Moved By Mary-Lynn Seeley Seconded By Austin Rooney

That the meeting adjourn at 7:54pm.

Carried

Councillor Dave Neeson, Chair

Cheyenne McAnuff, Records and Information Coordinator





Tree Planting Initiatives 2024

Nicole Smith, Contract Administrator

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January 21st, 2025



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- Emerald Ash Borer Capital Project
- DMAF Grant
- Community Engagement Events
- Earth Day Tree Giveaway



Emerald Ash Borer Capital Project

- 956 trees planted around Georgina
- Locations were selected based on where the greatest number of ash trees impacted by Emerald Ash Borer were removed
- Areas of focus include Civic Centre, Keswick subdivisions, Julia Munro Park and Pefferlaw Park



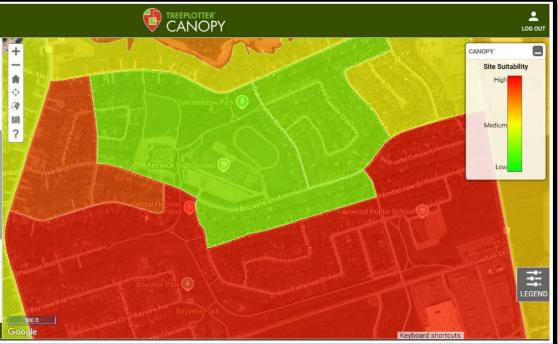




DMAF Grant



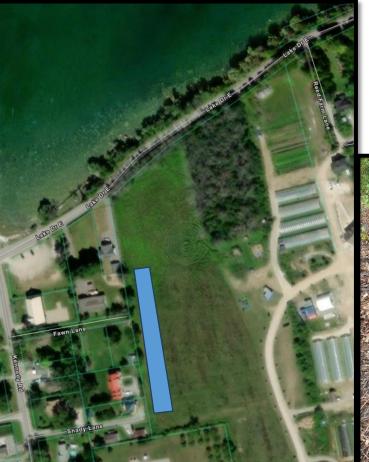
- Funding received by York Region through the Disaster Mitigation and Adaption Fund
- 186 trees planted
- Used heat mapping to select planting locations
- Areas focused on were Georgina Ice Palace, West Park, Sutton West Boulevards and Bayview Park



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LEAF Community Tree Planting Event GEORGINA

Willow Wharf - Sept 21 & 22



- 400 native trees
- 600 native shrubs
- 175 participants over the two days









Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Tree Planting Event

Willow Wharf - October 21st

- 35 participants (Development Services, Office of the Deputy CAO and Human Resources staff)
- 175 native trees
- 75 native shrubs



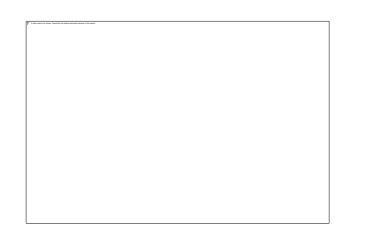


GEORGINA Tree Giveaway for Earth Day

Earth Day April 22nd

2,500 trees were available to be given away

- 1,990 were given to local residents
- 510 were given to 17 schools (30 trees each) throughout Georgina









2024 Overview

- 1,717 trees planted
- 675 shrubs planted
- 2,500 trees given away to local residents/schools
- 210 volunteers included in planting events
- Utilized different avenues of funding to target tree planting in various landscapes.







2025 Forecast

- DMAF Application
 - We have submitted a proposal to plant 264 trees
- Proposed \$40,0000 Business Case
 - 1000 trees and shrubs through the LEAF Tree planting event
 - 45 trees for Town properties
- Trees for Life Earth Day Tree Giveaway
- Lake Simcoe Region Conservation Authority Community Tree Planting Events

