Climate Change Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, March 17, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.  
Location: Council Chambers  
2225 Otter Point Road, Sooke, BC  

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6.4. Filling Vacancies – Verbal Update

6.5. Outstanding Items – Verbal Update
   - Next steps for review

7. New Business

8. Next Meeting

9. Adjournment
Committee: Climate Action Committee (CAC)
Date: January 21, 2020 Location: Council Chambers Call to Order: 5:30 p.m.

Attendees: (P=present, E=excused, A=absent)

| Councillor Tony St-Pierre, Chair | P | Diane Bernard | P |
| Roland Alcock | P | Eric Nolan | A |
| Andrew Moore | A | Kyle Topelko | P |
| Catherine Keogan | A | Susan Clarke | P |
| Christina Schlattner | P |

Staff:

| Patti Rear, Deputy Corporate Officer | P | Jennifer Royer-Collard, Corporate Services (Recorder) | P |

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Councillor St-Pierre at 5:30 p.m.
Councillor St-Pierre advised the Jennifer Royer-Collard will be taking over the role of recorder for the committee from Patti Rear.

2. First Nation Recognition

Councillor St-Pierre acknowledge the T’Sou-ke Nation upon whose territory the committee if meeting.

3. Approval of Agenda

THAT the agenda for the January 21, 2020, Climate Action Committee meeting, be approved as amended:

- Addition of supplementary information for Item No. 6.1. *Template for Sub-Committee Reporting*; and
- Addition of New Business, as Item No. 7.2. *Debrief of Transportation Letter*.
4. Adoption of Minutes

THAT the minutes of the December 17, 2019, be adopted as amended:
- In Item No. 5.2, change “Green New Deal Town Hall” to ‘Community Action Workshop’, and insert “included 13 action teams” following September 2019, on page 3 of the minutes.

5. Public Question and Comment Period

There were no questions or comments provided.

6.1 Unfinished Business: 2019-21 Draft CAC Action/Strat Plan

The 2019-2021 District of Sooke Climate Action Committee Work Plan has been drafted and requires a final review from the committee members, prior to being presented to Council for endorsement at a Committee of the Whole meeting.

Patti Rear will complete any final edits, requesting all committee member review the document and provide suggested changes no later than January 31, 2020. The next steps area as follows:

- The final version will be brought to the next committee meeting for final approval.
- The committee will designate a presenter.
- Staff will draft a report with all applicable information/details and attach the Work Plan, for submission to a Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting agenda.
- Council will receive the Work Plan for information and provide direction to Council.
- At the next Regular Council meeting, following the COW meeting, Council will endorse the Work Plan and provide direction to the committee.
- Staff will provide the direction from Council at the next committee meeting following the Regular Council meeting.

There was a discussion around sub-committee reporting structure and it was decided that the supplementary information provided, template for sub-committee reporting, would be utilized moving forward. Which will require each sub-committee to report back to the Climate Action Committee with their recommendations which will be discussed at a committee meeting.
### 7. Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled for February 18, 2020, at 5:30 p.m.

### 8. Adjournment

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THAT the January 21, 2020, Climate Action Committee meeting be adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Chair

Recorder
Planning Outcomes from CAC Workshop

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Attendees

CAC Members:  
  Councillor Tony St-Pierre
  Roland Alcock
  Susan Clarke
  Catherine Keogan
  Andrew Moore
  Christina Schlattner
  Kyle Topelko
  Adrienne Wass

District Staff:
  Norm McInnis, CAO
  Laura Hooper, Head of Parks & Environment Services
  Patti Rear, Deputy Corporate Officer

Absent: Diane Bernard
Facilitator: Jackie Larkin
Planning Outcomes from CAC Workshop

- Begin to identify and appreciate our strengths and skills
- Share basic practices for dealing with climate grief and uncertainty
- Draft guidelines/simple rules for working together
- Articulate vision and priority goals for CAC for 2019-21 (consistent with District Strategic Plan and Terms of Reference of CAC)

Notes on what we've learned about how to communicate among other CAC members

- listen respectfully to each other
- talk openly about feelings on the climate crisis
- incorporate many views for the best decisions

Communicate and work with the community in facilitating climate action

The beginnings of a conversation....

- Identify areas of activities/community groups that can affect multiple objectives or effect systemic change
- Allow District resources to be leveraged by working with these groups
- Find out what these other groups are already doing and determine how the CAC and DoS can assist them
- CAC Emphasize on the community’s critical role toward climate adaptation
- Maintain communication with regards to ongoing direction, initiatives, and potential actions for community members
- Maintain credibility by being honest about the crisis

Guidelines/Simple Rules

Guidelines/Simple Rules defined: Action oriented statements about how we will live our values and what we expect of each other.

Together as a team we:

- Lead in service to the District (and its climate action goals) and to the Sooke community.
Focus on clear priorities and shared goals and objectives; identify lynch pins whenever possible.
- Make careful decisions supported by information and data, reflecting objectives with measurable results.
- Hold each other up with empathy, with respect for each other’s agency.
- Listen and speak with care, with curiosity, respect, openness, non-judgement – especially when we have differences.
- Participate fully and equitably, bringing forward our skills and capacities.
- Welcome diversity of views, seeking common ground and shared values in all aspects of our work.
- Strengthen the Committee with creativity, fun and celebration; take necessary time to balance urgency with the long view that fosters proactive rather than reactive responses.

CAC Goals and Objectives - Overview

Overview of process: Committee members and staff engaged in a visioning activity to identify key areas of focus for the committee over the next two years (within the framework of the Council Strategic Plan and Terms of Reference of the Committee). From this process members identified four areas of focus:

1. Food Security
2. Transportation
3. Engagement and Education on Climate Change
4. Sustainable Development and Land Use

Goals and objectives were then developed in these four areas, focusing on development of SMART objectives (Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant and Time Specific) over several Committee meetings. For each ‘Area of Focus’ “Working Groups” were created and further criteria established for them, including terms and reporting format requirements.

Further considerations/criteria (some of which overlap with SMART objectives) include:

- Does it mitigate and adapt?
- Does it fall within the TOR?
- Is it achievable? Does it have a limitation in respect to resources?
- Will it capture community engagement?
- Is there risk? What are they?
- Is it measurable?
- Is it the right time or time specific (i.e.: can it be done within 2 years)?
CAC Working Group Terms

- The working group has a specific Area of Focus (Transportation, Food Security, Education & Engagement, Development and Land Use)
- Working groups will connect and collaborate with other groups in the community with relevant or similar mandates.
- Work groups will develop an action plan and present it to the CAC.
- Work produced by a working group will be brought forward to the CAC for review and approval before being sent to Council for adoption.
- Other tasks delegated by Council will take priority over the internal working group action plans.

Reporting Format Checklist (a template to be established)

- Use SMART principles in recommendations to council.
- Reports/recommendations should include best practices research.
- Science based approach to climate action is to be utilized.
- Recommendations that include both adaptation and mitigation should be considered first.
- Reports/Recommendations should clearly indicate DoS resources in terms of staff time and funding.
- Reports/Recommendations should indicate level of community support to be expected.
- Reports/Recommendations should indicate which jurisdictions are involved: Community, Local Government, Provincial, Federal or other.
- Alignment with OCP, Strategic plan, declarations, and other official documents.
- What is the “ask” from council? Bylaw, staff report, discussion, etc...
Draft CAC Goals and Objectives for 2019-2021

AREA of FOCUS – FOOD SECURITY

Council Strategic Plan Goal #2: Demonstrate leadership in climate action
• Promote food security at individual and community levels [from Council Strategic Plan 2.5]

CAC Goal: Expand Food Security

1. Increase the Number of Small farms by 100%
   1.1 Amend OCP/zoning/bylaws/building code to allow farm villages or tiny homes.
   1.2 Identify regulatory barriers to small farm viability and make recommendations to remove barriers appropriate to different levels of government
   1.3 Establish local abattoir
      i. Explore options throughout South Island to determine strategy
   1.4 Establish permanent site for farmers’ market
   1.5 Explore sources for new incentives to produce food on farmland including hobby farms and make recommendations to obtain access to incentives

2. Increase the number of home gardens in Sooke by X%
   1.1 Explore grant options for soil to garden.
   1.2 Collect data to determine current number of home gardens.
   1.3 Develop and implement marketing campaign to promote home gardens
      i. Produce garden workshops to promote gardens
   1.4 Increase allotment gardens and other related initiatives

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i. Coordinate with Food Community Health Initiative Society

1.5 Research, review and recommend best practices for backyard chicken bylaw (or other animal husbandry: rabbits, bees)

1.6 Identify and augment food growing in public spaces. Identify options.
   i. Inventory possible locations.

1.7 Encourage planting fruit and nut trees through grant applications.

3. Evaluate benefits/risks of joining CRD Foodland trust; Make recommendations to Council

Achievability? – explore Min of Agriculture grants

AREA of FOCUS – TRANSPORTATION

Council Strategic Plan Goal #2: Demonstrate leadership in climate action
   • Prioritize community and corporate strategies to address the climate emergency [SP 2.1] and
   • Build additional trail infrastructure, connectivity and amenities [SP 2.3]

1. CAC Goal -- Increase the numbers of electric vehicles in Sooke

1.1 Determine current number of electric vehicles in Sooke to establish baseline

1.2 Promote EV incentive education through Sooke website page
   1.1.1 Track website hits

1.3 Advocate/recommend requirement that new builds be electric vehicle-ready (by-law, development permit or code changes (district or provincial))

1.4 Advocate/recommend requirement that new commercial developments include quick chargers (by-law, development permit or code changes (district or provincial)). Provincial advocacy

1.5 Explore by-law, development permit or code changes to facilitate solar panel charging.

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(I am saying this again..., I cannot agree with this as the number #1 Goal for the TRANSPORTATION section)
• it is not about more vehicles; an electric vehicle is still one person in one car & this is not sustainable.
• it’s about encouraging people out of their cars (fossil fuel, electric or otherwise).
• my suggestion re: focus area of transportation... Council will support a safe, productive efficient move to public transit and other modes of non-vehicle transportation
• the other points in this section belong with notes/recommendations for the Building Code Review
• Transportation Team would like to review the Transportation Master Plan
2. CAC Goal -- Increase public and quasi-public transportation availability

1.1 Support and promote Sooke-sponsored ride share program in conjunction with Transition Sooke

1.2 Continue to advocate (strongly) for increased frequency of bus service (through Council)

1.3 Advocate to BC transit for small-run buses.

1.4 Continue to develop Park and Ride

   1.4.1 Advocate for BC Transit for infrastructure support

   1.4.2 Support Sooke initiating

1.5 Increase bike carrying capacity of buses.

   1.5.1 Advocate for BC Transit racks

   1.5.2 Advocate for lockers infrastructure support

1.6 Organize presentation to BC Transit to promote 2.2, 3.1.1 and 3.1.2

For all above objectives... Metrics: E.g. Ridership data (Vehicle Kilometres Travelled Ministry of Environment) and...?

3. Increase active, safe transportation

1.1 Research movement through town to determine if parks are accessible to different parts of town.

1.2 Assess Parks and Trails master plan and determine gaps

1.3 Research best practices for active transportation

1.4 Based on 3.1-3.3 work, make recommendations to Council/staff?

1.5 Develop communications plan to promote and educate residents regarding trails system (in collaboration with CRD) to increase use and tourism.
AREA OF FOCUS -- ENGAGE AND EDUCATE SOOKE COMMUNITY IN CLIMATE ACTION

Council Strategic Plan Goal #1: Build a reputable organization
- (1.4) Improve communication and engagement with the public and community partners

CAC Goal 1 - Engage and Educate Students

1. Deliver educational programs to XXX students by TIME, including measurable results, e.g. decrease in footprint over 2 years
   1.1 Develop educational programs and messaging on climate crisis/action for schools’ program:
   - (How) Collaborate with DOS, T'Sou-ke First Nations, School District #62 and community groups to determine outcomes/takeaways
   - (Content) Topics could include:
     - Nutrition
       - Plant a garden
       - Wants versus needs
     - How to measure one’s own carbon footprints and track it over time
     - Measurable goals for reducing consumption/footprint by 10%
     - Incorporate challenges/competition
     - “own it” = action and power

CAC Goal 2—Engage and Educate Residents

1. Engage X% or Sooke residents in climate survivor challenge, tracked over a 2-year period.
2. Implement communications outreach vehicles:
   1.1 Online communication with residents - weekly, monthly newsletter, column or op ed articles
   1.2 ‘Go for Green’ page on District website
   1.3 ‘Random Acts of Green’ stories to increased shared knowledge of actions and broader awareness
3. Deliver series of education workshop in community focused on “how to”: Garden, recycle grey water, rainwater collection, etc. (See Areas of focus #1 and #2 and link workshops to community engagement strategy/education)

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Commented [JL18]: Define challenge and tracking metrics

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4. For all other CAC objectives, integrate an educational component.

Achievability?
- Andrew – grant possibility

AREA of FOCUS – DEVELOPMENT AND LAND USE

Council Strategic Plan Goal #3: Manage long-term growth while enhancing community identity, vitality and safety
- (3.6) Continue to address housing affordability and accessibility for all income levels

CAC Goal 1 – Increase housing affordability
Support District Council in its work, specifically the implementation of the Affordable Housing Study recommendations
- 1. Advocate for housing for vulnerable members of the community
- 2. Initiate and approve new affordable housing, particularly Lot A
- 3. Advocate for zoning to allow tiny homes and recreational vehicles
- 4. Advocate for health services to support seniors and special needs communities
- 5. Advocate to ALC to allow small farms productivity sales

CAC Goal 2 BUILDING ENERGY EFFICIENCY
Council Strategic Plan Goal #2: Demonstrate leadership in climate action
- (2.1) Prioritize community and corporate strategies to address the climate emergency

CAC Goal: Increase energy efficiency of existing commercial and residential buildings

1. Decrease natural gas and oil heating consumption by 10%

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BUILDINGS: Reducing fossil fuel emissions

Besides transportation, existing buildings are the next largest contributor to CO2 emissions, and CO2 emissions are not only the largest part of GHGs emitted, they are the emissions that we can cut drastically with immediate political action.

Since 2010, municipalities have been coming to grips with the urgent need to stop using fossil fuels to heat homes and other buildings. The most efficient retrofit for our existing housing stock is the installation of heat pumps and switching from oil and natural gas heating to electric resistance heating and/or heat pumps. All new development designs must incorporate non-fossil fuel heating systems.

While achieving higher levels in BC Energy Step Code will reduce the emissions and help protect homes from heavy storms and heat waves, electric heating will reduce emissions even in a less insulated and sealed home (i.e., Step 1 of BC Energy Code).

Goal: Switch to renewable energy for all buildings

Objective 1. Retrofits: 100% of oil heating systems replaced by heat pumps by (target date, i.e., 2030) and gas heating systems replaced by (i.e., 2040).

Actions

- Write a bylaw to disallow the use of oil and gas heating appliances
- Raise awareness of incentive programs for converting to heat pumps
- Establish Sooke-based top ups for incentive programs (i.e., deferring taxes, financial grants)

Objective 2. New construction: All new buildings achieve higher steps of BC Energy
Step Code and all new buildings have heat pumps.

Actions
- Write a bylaw that mandates installation of heat pumps and BC Energy Code level (to be decided)
- Work with developers to meet requirements of the new bylaw

1.1 Promote Fortis, BC Hydro, Provincial and Federal grants and incentives for retrofits, including support for energy audits and promotion of insulation (R value) improvements
  i. Develop Sooke webpage dedicated to retrofits and energy grants and incentives
1.2 Track numbers of retrofits
  i. Through building permits
1.3 Research potential for municipal support through bulk purchasing.
1.4 Promote heat pump installation

CAC Goal 3 – FOREST MANAGEMENT

Forest ecosystems provide a natural carbon sink, as carbon emissions are sequestered in growth. In addition, we need to protect ecosystem services to our community such as water supply, quality and drainage, food security and biodiversity, and physical health.

Goal: Increase carbon sink

Objective 1. Plant trees to increase Sooke’s carbon sink

Actions
- Do a tree canopy cover and sensitive areas inventories and maps
- Mandate tree species that are resilient to climate change and resistant to wildfire spread

Objective 2. Protect existing trees and forests
Actions
- Enact a tree bylaw to protect trees of any size as a carbon sink and to protect trees that stabilize slopes, shorelines, or provide neighbourhood windbreaks and shade. The bylaw also ensures wildlife corridors.
- Enhance health and diversity of urban forests.
- Enact a bylaw that requires assessment of ecosystem integrity for all proposed developments.
Appendix 1—Detailed Results of First Round Prioritization of Areas of Work (within framework of Council SP)

Note: Italic text in 3rd column is the wording used by participants emerging from the visioning of successful work two years into the future. This wording should not be taken as objectives. Objectives were developed after the areas of work were prioritized and small groups focused on SMART objectives.
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| 1 | 2.4: View municipal decisions through a ‘Green’ lens |
| 1 | 2.5: Promote food security at individual and community levels |
|   | **Food security** |
|   |   - Increase farming and agriculture |
|   |   - Progressive zoning for farmland to allow villages |
|   |   - Connect with neighbours regionally to coordinate food security initiatives |
|   |   - Victory gardens everywhere |
|   |   - Permanent space for farmers’ market |
|   |   - Local slaughter options |

| 2 | 2.6: Identify and plan for green infrastructure opportunities |
|   |   - Waste: Municipal yard waste depot |
|   |   - Burning ban by-laws |

**Sooke Strategic Plan — Goal #3: Manage long-term growth while enhancing community identity, vitality and safety**

| 4 | 2.2: Develop a regulatory framework to promote more sustainable land use patterns and development practices |
|   |   - Community forest |

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<td>- Food festivals: beer, booze and buds; chef competitions</td>
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<td>- ReVolution: large RV park with long-term (work) and short-term (tourism)</td>
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TRANSPORTATION WG:

• #3 Improve active, safe public transportation
  o Review the "Sustainable Development Strategy for the District of Sooke, 2008"
    • See Strategy #2: Develop a transportation system re: opportunities for non-vehicle transportation & transit use;
  o Work with Transition Sooke:
    • Council to support & fund a Sooke sponsored ride share program
    • Develop communications plan to promote & educate residents regarding trails system (in collaboration with CRD) to increase use & tourism
  o Review Ucluelet Climate Action Plans re: public transportation and transit
  o Review Saanich 2020 Climate Action Plans re: public transportation and transit

• Improve bicycle use and safety throughout DOS
  o Make use of Bike BC grant program
  o Improve bike safety from all neighbourhoods to schools
  o Improve signage for bike trails
  o Increase safety for bicycles on roads with adequate signage & strong, clear delineation of bike lanes (Langford)
  o Develop bicycle corridors to encourage safe transportation & tourism opportunities

Increase active, safe transportation

• Movement Through Town
Review Parks & Trails Master plan:
  • feedback on gaps, assure parks are accessible to different parts of town;
  • Promote trails system (in collaboration with CRD) to increase use & promote tourism
  • Research best practices for active transportation

Miscellaneous Points for focus area of Transportation

• Creating a culture of Public Transportation to be incorporated in the District's upcoming OCP process
• Communication plan of "Enjoy Sooke on Foot, Bicycle and Transit":
• Review Council's Transportation Plan with the "the green lens of Climate Change"
• Integrate transit and transportation with land-use planning
Sub-Committee Report

To: Climate Action Committee
From: [insert sub-committee title]
Date: [insert date written]
Re: [insert title of report]

Executive Summary:
Overview of topic.

Background:
Reference background material, state question to be answered, referral responses, etc. as attachments

Analysis:

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The following questions should be answered:
- best practices/ research.
- pros and cons and impact or consequences.
- science based approach to climate action is to be utilized.
- include both adaptation and mitigation options.
- indicate District resources (i.e. staff time and funding).
- indicate level of community support to be expected.
- indicate which jurisdictions are involved: Community, Local Government, Provincial, Federal.

Strategic Relevance:

Terms of Reference
Please check off all applicable boxes.

☐ Inspire & sustain community commitment to achieving District’s climate action objectives.
☐ Includes recommendation on climate adaptation & mitigation options.
☐ Builds local climate action awareness & promotes environmental stewardship.
☐ Innovative project to help achieve carbon neutrality, which the committee can develop and implement.
☐ Issue of environmental importance to community partners and stakeholder groups of the community at large.
☐ Develops relationships for the purpose of exchanging ideas, experiences, plans and successes.
☐ Issue directed by Council for recommendation/ feedback.

Action Plan
Please check off all applicable boxes.

FOOD SECURITY
☐ Increase the number of small-scale farms
☐ Increase the number of home gardens in Sooke
☐ Evaluation of CRD Foodland’s trust

TRANSPORTATION
☐ Increase the number of electric vehicles in Sooke
☐ Increase public and quasi-public transportation availability
☐ Increase active, safe transportation

ENGAGE & EDUCATE SOOKE COMMUNITY IN CLIMATE ACTION
☐ Engage and educate students
☐ Engage and educate residents

DEVELOPMENT & LAND USE
☐ Increase housing affordability
☐ Building energy efficiency
☐ Forest Management

Financial Impacts:
Funding sources or implications/ resources
The below diagram displays the reporting structure, process, of the committee and relationship to Council direction. The reports from the sub-committee will be completed by its membership and presented to the entire committee at a public meeting. Support staff will draft a Council report, utilizing the sub-committee report as an attachment and including the minutes and resolution(s) from the meeting where it was presented.

**Sub-Committee Report**
- Sub-Committee completes a formal report, submits to the Chair and support staff 2 weeks prior to the CAC meeting.

**Climate Action Committee (CAC) Endorsement**
- Sub-committee report is included in the agenda.
- The CAC receives the report for information and discussion.

**Climate Action Committee Resolution**
- Committee may make a resolution to Council recommending Council provide direction.

**Report is prepared by support staff for Regular Council Meeting**
- Council receives report in agenda package.
- Committee nominates a representative to present.

**Council Resolution**
- Minutes from the meeting will be provided on the next CAC agenda.