



AGENDA
and Schedule "A"
to the minutes of the meeting of the
WINDSOR-ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENT COMMITTEE
Thursday, January 5th, 2012
Meeting at 5:30p.m.
At YQG WINDSOR INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
BOARD ROOM

1. **CALL TO ORDER**

2. **ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

3. **DECLARATION OF CONFLICT**

4. **MINUTES**

Adoption of the minutes of the meeting held December 1st, 2011 – *emailed separately.*

5. **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

6.1 Speaker Series – Elizabeth May, Leader, Green Party of Canada

6.2 Renewable Energy Media Campaign

6.3 New WECEC Appointments

7. **COORDINATORS REPORT**

WECEC Coordinator Monthly Report – *attached.*

8. **SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS**

8.1 Air

8.2 Transportation

8.3 Provincially Significant Wetlands

9. **NEW BUSINESS**

9.1 Notice of Motion: Blue W community-based tap water promotion campaign

Whereas:

The City of Windsor has adapted a policy to promote tap water at municipal buildings therefore promoting a choice between tap water and bottled water;

Whereas:

The reduction of bottled water consumption decreases the amount of energy consumed to handle the waste and/or recycling of plastics;

Whereas:

The promotion of readily available free tap water positively affects the low socio-economic sector;

Whereas:

Tap water available in the summer contributes to the Regional Heat Alert and Response Plan therefore potentially decreasing the amount of heat related illness;

Whereas:

Tap water represents a healthier choice to individuals, specifically children when compared to sugar laden soft drinks;

And Whereas:

Businesses offering tap water free of charge may be seen as socially and environmentally responsible therefore increasing commercial foot traffic and aligning shops with community interests;

Therefore Be It Resolved That:

City Council participates in the Blue W Community-based Tap Water Promotion Campaign which encourages businesses to offer municipal tap water free of charge to Windsor residents. This will be promoted through the Blue W website and smart phone applications, a media campaign as well as store front window stickers.

9.2 Lake Erie algal blooms – *attached.*

9.3 WECEC Strategic Plan Review – *attached.*

10. COMMUNICATIONS

- 10.1 WECEC letter of support for the Zero Waste opposition campaign to the Detroit Incinerator – *attached.*
- 10.2 WECEC request to have WindsorOntarioNews.com article changed– *attached.*

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday, February 2nd, 2011 at the YQG Windsor Airport Board Room at 5:30 o'clock p.m.

12. **ADJOURNMENT**