



MINUTES
MILNE PATHWAY WORKING GROUP
2012-02-13
Meeting No. 2

Attendance

Members:

Deputy Mayor Jack Heath
Councillor Carolina Moretti

Staff:

Dereje Tafesse, Capital Works Engineering
Alida Tari, Council/Committee Coordinator

Regrets

Councillor Colin Campbell

Others:

Suzanne Bevan, Toronto and Region
Conservation Authority
Jay Cranstone, MMM Group
Jeff Warren, MMM Group

Working Group Members:

Tupper Wheatley
Al Pickard
Philip Ling (Markham Environmental Advisory
Committee)
Donna Dougan
Gordon Walter (Cycling & Pedestrian Advisory
Committee)
Ian Faulds
Glenn Baron

The Milne Pathway Working Group meeting convened at 7:16 PM with Councillor Carolina Moretti in the Chair.

1. WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone and advised that there was an observer named Reuben Tang who lives in the area and was a former member of the Milne Working Group.

2. PRESENTATION FROM TUPPER WHEATLEY

Mr. Tupper Wheatley provided a PowerPoint presentation of pictures he had recently taken in the Milne Dam Conservation Area. He will provide a copy of the presentation to the Committee Clerk.

3. SECTION G

Jay Cranstone, MMM Group delivered a PowerPoint presentation outlining the proposed trail for Section G. It was noted that the proposed pathway would be 2 meters wide.

The Working Group discussed the following:

- Ensure pathway is well defined (place rocks, logs along edge)
- Place pathway as far upward as possible - close to trees
- Surface types to consider
- Ensure it is well signed that indicates areas of the trail that are accessible
- Create a buffer to the water edge
- Move the proposed pathway away from the Milne Lane and have it go through the treed area
- Importance of proper signage describing the areas that are going to be restored so that people will less likely use those areas
- Steep slope - consider a railing on one side
- Try to reduce grade to calm the area
- Keep the pathway as narrow and natural as possible

There was discussion regarding the area that was used for parking in the past off Milne Lane.

4. SECTION H

There was discussion regarding how pedestrians will be able to cross the dam.

The Working Group noted that the open area east of the bridge at the bottom of Princess Street has a lot of bad activity going on there.

The Working Group suggested:

- Bring the path under the bridge to the existing path
- Include signage on the right side of Highway 48 where the yellow line begins
- Include appropriate signage on the sidewalk on the east side of Highway 48

5. OTHER BUSINESS

There was discussion regarding who received notices for the Public Information Centre scheduled for February 23, 2012. It was suggested that the notice be placed on the Town website.

There was discussion regarding the format of the Public meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

The Milne Pathway Working Group meeting adjourned at 9:46 pm.