

**Environment Advisory Committee
Approved Minutes
July 25, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.**

1. **PRESENT:** Councillor Holly Sanford, Mayor William MacDonald (ex-officio), John Bottomley, Starr Cardwell, Rob Hodder, Sally O’Grady, Levi Cliche, two members of the public, and Sandi Millett-Campbell as Recording Secretary.

2. **REGRETS:** N/A

3. **CALL TO ORDER:** Chair Sanford called the meeting to order at 3 pm.

4. **APPROVAL OF AGENDA:**

- i. Under New Business, item viii: AgriSpirit Fund

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-01

It was moved by Sally O’Grady, seconded by Starr Cardwell to approve the agenda as amended. **Motion carried.**

5. **PUBLIC INPUT:** None

6. **PRESENTATIONS:**

7. **NEW BUSINESS:**

- i. Introduction of Committee Members
All members introduced themselves.

- ii. Appointment of Chair and Vice-Chair

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-02

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Starr Cardwell to appoint Councillor Sanford to Chair of the Environment Advisory Committee. **Motion Carried.**

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-03

It was moved by Starr Cardwell, seconded by Chair Sanford to appoint Sally O’Grady as Vice-Chair of the Environment Advisory Committee. **Motion Carried.**

- iii. Frequency of Meetings & Work Plan

The Committee reviewed the mandate and decided to meet on a monthly basis starting in September 2018.

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-04

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Rob Hodder to recommend to Council for the Environment Advisory Committee to meet once a month. **Motion Carried.**

- iv. Town of Kentville Letter to Minister Regarding Extended Producers Responsibility for Paper Product and Packaging.

The Committee will investigate gathering information on the topic. John Bottomley will see what information he can find and pass it on to the committee members. As Town Council's appointed board member of the Valley Waste Resource Management, Councillor Kinsella will be asked to bring back information to the next meeting regarding the letter from Kentville. The Committee will continue to discuss at the next meeting.

v. Offshore Oil & Gas Exploration – Municipality of Shelburne

The Committee discussed the letter and agree to putting measures in place but not supporting the oil exploration.

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-05

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Sally O'Grady to recommend to Council to support the Municipality of Shelburne letter in principal but that Council not support offshore oil/gas exploration in Nova Scotia. **Motion Carried.**

vi. Disaster Mitigation & Adaption Fund – Request from the Town of Shelburne

The Committee is requesting a member to sit on a regional committee and what concerns the Town has for funding opportunities.

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-06

It was moved by Starr Cardwell, seconded by John Bottomley to recommend to Council that Council participate and support the letter and the Committee would identify items for discussion. **Motion Carried.**

vii. Smart Cities Challenge – Update

Mayor MacDonald updated the Committee on the regional partnership to submit an application to request funding to produce a flood gate at the Digby gut. The application was not approved and the idea is on hold.

viii. AgriSpirit Fund

Clean Annapolis River Project applied and has received correspondence regarding receiving funding for a demonstration site of solar power at the Innovation Center. The demonstration site should produce power for approximate one household. CARP received a contract for review and were offered \$20,000 and is still looking for further funding on this project.

Ad-hoc: Mayor MacDonald handed out information received from Jerry Ackerman for the Committee to review.

Ad-hoc: Milestone 5 copies were handed out to Committee members to review for the next meeting.

8. NEXT MEETING DATE:

The Committee discussed meeting dates and agreed that they will be the third Wednesday of the month with a 3pm start time. Rob's schedule varies but he will update the committee if this time does not work with his schedule. Next meeting: **September 19, 2018 at 3pm.**

9. ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION #C2018-JULY-25-07

It was moved by John Bottomley to adjourn the meeting at 4:32 pm. **Motion carried.**

Chair Holly Sanford

Recording Secretary Sandi Millett-Campbell