

**Environment Advisory Committee  
Approved Minutes  
November 14, 2018 at 3 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order:** Chair Sanford called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

**2. Present:** Councillor Holly Sanford (Chair), John Bottomley, Sally O'Grady, Starr Cardwell, Mayor William MacDonald as ex-officio, and members of the Church in Action Committee (left after their presentation)

**3. Regrets:** Levi Cliche and Rob Hodder

**4. Additions to the Agenda:**

- i. Update on BP Canada Scotia Basin Exploration Drilling Program
- ii. Striking Balance TV Documentary
- iii. SouthWest Nova Biosphere – Bryan Mood Presentation
- iv. Sea Rise Level and You Workshop Summary

**5. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION #EAC2018-NOV-14-01**

It was moved by Starr Cardwell, seconded by John Bottomley to approve the agenda as amended.

**Motion carried.**

**6. Approval of Minutes**

- i. October 10, 2018

**MOTION #EAC2018-NOV-14-01**

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Sally O'Grady to approve the October 10, 2018 minutes as presented. **Motion carried.**

**7. Presentations:** Church in Action Committee

Judith Wilder and other members from the Church in Action Committee (of St. George & St. Andrew Church) gave a presentation on the group's desire to see a ban of single use plastics in Annapolis Royal. When referring to single use plastics, the group is referring to plastic bags from commercial businesses. Discussion between the presenters and the Committee ensued regarding potential solutions/steps that could be implemented to reduce the use of plastic bags. Chair Sanford will reach out to the Annapolis Board of Trade (ABoT) to suggest that ABoT, the Environment Advisory Committee, and Church in Action Committee all meet to discuss steps that can be taken by businesses to encourage a move away from using plastic bags. Committee members will also give thought to potential solutions and bring them forward at the December meeting.

**8. Public Input:**

**9. Business Arising**

- i. Update from Council – Councillor Sanford

Chair Sanford provided an update from Council. The Committee then discussed approaches to tackle rising sea levels and climate change in Annapolis Royal.

ii. Milestone 5

Levi was going to examine what would be required to review the document however he is not in attendance for today's meeting.

**10. New Business**

i. Emerald Ash Borer

Chair Sanford relayed that Angelika Waldow had given a presentation to Council on Emerald Ash Borer and she will be presenting to the Environment Advisory Committee in December.

ii. Update on BP Canada Scotia Basin Exploration Drilling Program

Mayor MacDonald communicated the updates he received from the BP Canada Scotia Basin Exploration Drilling Program

iii. Striking Balance TV Documentary

Mayor MacDonald updated the Committee on Striking Balance, a documentary that will include Annapolis Royal.

iv. SouthWest Nova Biosphere – Bryan Mood Presentation

Mayor MacDonald summarized the presentation that was given to Council by Bryan Mood of SouthWest Nova Biosphere.

v. Sea Rise Level and You Workshop Summary

Most members attended the workshop. The Committee underscored the importance of focusing on how rising sea levels will affect the town and what can be done to limit the impacts.

**11. Correspondence**

**12. Next Meeting Date:** December 12, 2018 at 3 p.m.

**13. Adjournment**

Sally O'Grady moved adjournment at 4:28 p.m.

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Chair Holly Sanford

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Recording Secretary Amy MacManus