

**Environment Advisory Committee
Approved Minutes
April 10, 2019 at 3 p.m.**

- 1. Call to Order** Chair Sanford called the meeting to order at 3:01 pm
- 2. Present** Councillor Holly Sanford (Chair), Sally O'Grady, Starr Cardwell, John Bottomley and Katie McLean, Member of the Public and recording secretaries Amber Brown and Sandi Millett
- 3. Regrets**
- 4. Additions to the Agenda**

Under 10. New Business, i) Sea Level Rise
Under 10. New Business ii) Declare Climate Change

5. Approval of Agenda

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-01

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

Motion Carried.

6. Approval of Minutes

- i. January 9, 2019

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-02 It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Sally O'Grady to approve the January 9, 2019 minutes.

Motion carried

- ii. March 13, 2019

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-03 It was moved by Sally O'Grady, seconded by Starr Cardwell to approve the March 13, 2019 minutes.

Motion carried

7. Presentations:

8. Public Input

A member of the public displayed interest in hosting an art exhibition on climate change and asked for support from the Town. He has been encouraged to write a proposal for the committee to review.

9. Business Arising

- i. Update from Council – Councillor Sanford

Councillor Sanford received an email from 11 year old Savannah Hudson, an AWEC student. She is a member of the schools writing club and is writing a piece on climate change. She has requested to sit in on upcoming committee meetings. Councillor Sanford approved her request providing date and time, awaiting response from the Student.

The town of Annapolis Royal, Digby Municipality and Town of Digby are receiving a staff member for a one year term through Federation of Canadian Municipality to work with the municipalities on climate change. The committee would like to have additional information: job description and mandate.

There have been no applications for the open position on the Environment Committee at this time; Sanford has requested a repost of the position on the Town of Annapolis Royals Advertising Mediums.

ii. Milestone 5

Committee has completed Milestone 5

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-04

It was moved by John Bottomley and seconded by Starr Cardwell that the Committee recommends to council for their review and comments of milestone 5 as of April 11, 2019.

Motion Carried.

iii. Single-Use Plastics

Discussion ensued; what plastic uses can be eliminated within the town. John will research "Plastic Free Lunenburg" and follow up.

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-05

It was moved by Katie McLean and seconded by Starr Cardwell that the Committee recommends to council that for all town sponsored events to no longer use single use plastics (such as water bottles and utensils, styrofoam etc.)

Motion Carried.

10. New Business

i. TD Friends of the Environment Foundation Grant

Discussion ensued; Suggested contacted Angelika Waldow for student mentoring. Committee will come back next meeting with ideas.

ii. Water Fill Stations

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-06

It was moved by Starr Cardwell and seconded by Sally O'Grady that the Committee recommends to council that the plan for the comfort station be changed to include water fill station.

Motion Carried.

iii. Sea Level Rise

Discussion ensued; defending heritage property from rising waters by engineering barrier walls.

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-07

It was moved by Sally O'Grady and seconded by John Bottomley that the Committee recommends to council state if they want to stand and defend or select area of the town.

Motion Carried.

iv. Declare Climate Change

Discussion ensued; Starr to enquire with engineers about presentation and/or free study.

MOTION #EAC2019-APR-10-08

It was moved by Sally O’Grady and seconded by Katie McLean that the Committee recommends to council to declare a climate change emergency.

Motion Carried.

11. Correspondence

12. Next Meeting Date: May 8, 2019 at 3 p.m.

13. Adjournment: John Bottomley adjourned the meeting at 4:30 pm

Chair Holly Sanford

Recording Secretary Amber Brown