

**Environment Advisory Committee  
Approved Minutes  
January 9, 2019 at 3 p.m.**

**1. Call to Order:** Chair Sanford called the meeting to order at 3:03 pm

**2. Present:** Councillor Holly Sanford (Chair), John Bottomley, Mayor William MacDonald as ex-officio, Sally O'Grady, Katie McLean as the CARP representative, and Recording Secretary Amy MacManus

**3. Regrets:** Rob Hodder, Starr Cardwell

**4. Additions to the Agenda**

- i. Under Section 10, New Business: The Lifers – Invitation to Speak at their Concert
- ii. Under Section 10, New Business: 2019/20 Budget - Discussion

**5. Approval of Agenda**

**MOTION #EAC2019-JAN-09-01**

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Sally O'Grady to approve the agenda as amended.

**Motion carried**

**6. Approval of Minutes**

- i. December 12, 2018

**MOTION #EAC2019-JAN-09-02**

It was moved by John Bottomley, seconded by Mayor William MacDonald to approve the December 12, 2018 minutes with the following amendment; the next meeting date be corrected to January 9, 2019.

**Motion carried.**

**7. Presentations**

**8. Public Input**

**9. Business Arising**

- i. Update from Council – Councillor Sanford

Councillor Sanford provided an update from council. She relayed that council referred the matter of single use plastics back to the Environment Advisory Committee for the committee to further investigate and report back to council. Mayor MacDonald will reach out to other municipalities. John Bottomley will seek out the person who recently spoke on CBC regarding taking a regional approach to single use plastics. Sally O'Grady raised concerns around the language of "single use plastics" as the discussions are focused on plastic bags provided by retailers. Committee members discussed items they have seen in the news lately related to the environment.

- ii. Milestone 5 / Quest NS/Canada (<https://questcanada.org/venue/ns-canada/>)

The Committee discussed how to tackle the Milestone 5 report, next steps, and the viability of having assistance from Quest Nova Scotia. Federation of Municipalities is hosting an event February 5-6 in

Moncton; Chair Sanford will investigate the possibility of her attending. The Committee decided to have working group meetings to tackle Milestone 5. The first meeting will take place January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm.

- iii. Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board (<https://www.cnsopb.ns.ca/file-no-3000835>)

The Committee acknowledged.

- iv. Ad-hoc addition to the agenda: Shelburne Regional Initiative  
Mayor MacDonald relayed that the Town of Shelburne hosted a teleconference to discuss actions being taken by municipalities to tackle environmental issues. More meetings are in the pipeline.

## **10. New Business**

- i. CARP Representative on the Committee  
Going forward, Katie McLean will be the CARP representative on the Committee as Levi Cliche has a conflict.

- ii. Low Carbon Challenge  
The Committee reviewed the funding challenge and discussed possible projects to submit. No project identified at this point but Mayor MacDonald will reach out to someone who had contacted him regarding Annapolis Royal being a location for geothermal energy.

- iii. The Lifers – Invitation to Speak at their Concert  
The Lifers invited a member of the Committee to give a brief educational speech at one of their upcoming concerts. Councillor Sanford will contact the Lifers to say that she can present at their concert.

- iv. 2019/20 Budget – Discussion  
The Committee discussed budgetary requirements for 2019/20.

## **MOTION #EAC2019-JAN-09-03**

It was moved by Sally O’Grady, seconded by Katie McLean that the Committee recommends to council that \$1,500.00 is allocated to the Environment Advisory Committee budget for the fiscal year 2019/20. The funds will be used to support the following activities: 1. acquisition of resource materials (i.e. maps) to assist in the Committee information and decision making (i.e maps); 2. plan and implement public education programs (i.e. pamphlets, meetings, vendors); 3. expenses related to attending like-minded meetings. **Motion carried.**

## **11. Correspondence**

**12. Next Meeting Date:** February 13, 2019 at 3 p.m.

## **13. Adjournment**

Adjournment was moved at 4:56 p.m.