

**Environment Advisory Committee Meeting
Approved Minutes
June 10, 2026 at 3:00 pm**

1. Call to Order	Chair Bernard called the meeting to order at 3:05 pm
2. Present	Chair Mike Bernard, Climate Lead Genevieve Beaulac, CARP Representative Levi Cliche, Gillian Kerr (virtual, arrived at 3:15 pm), Stephen Hawboldt, Kathy Brooks, Geraldine Kenny, Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson and Recording Secretary Laura Bright Member of the Public: Roger Lindala
3. Regrets	CAO Millett-Campbell
4. Absent	None
5. Additions to Agenda	None
6. Approval of the Agenda	MOTION #EAC2026-06-10-01 Regularly moved and seconded to approve the agenda as presented by unanimous consent. Motion carried.
7. Disclosure of conflict of interest issues	None
Edits to the Minutes	Correction to Section 12, item vii. Should read "additional roads for uranium exploration" instead of "additional roads for excavation"
8. Approval of Minutes	MOTION #EAC2026-06-10-02 Regularly moved and seconded approval of the minutes of April 8, 2026, with the above change by unanimous consent. Motion carried.

9. Presentations
None

10. Public Input

Roger Lindala acknowledged the upcoming efforts of the Communications Task Team and encouraged EAC to participate in the process. They noted that they had looked for this meeting agenda online and could not find it before the meeting.

Chair Bernard thanked Roger for their input and requested that a discussion be added to the agenda for the July meeting.

ACTION: Add to July's agenda

NAME: Recording Secretary Bright

DUE: May 2, 2026

11. New Business

i. Day Workshop

Chair Bernard opened the floor to all members to share ideas for a day long event in the Fall like the one held in 2024. Topics identified included "Fire Smart" and emergency preparedness for climate related situations like flooding, windstorms and drought. Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson suggested inviting the Regional Emergency Management Organisation (REMO) to help shape the agenda for the event.

Gillian Kerr joined the meeting at 3:15 pm.

Chair Bernard suggested that the event could be a three-hour seminar, and EAC agreed to further develop the workshop at the July meeting with a focus on Emergency Preparedness.

Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson reminded EAC that the Committee is responsible for leading the development of the workshop and Town Staff will not be assigned to support this work.

ii. Phragmites Abatement Program

Chair Bernard reminded EAC of a letter that had been sent by two residents regarding an infestation of Phragmites on town property that is now encroaching on their property. Deputy-Mayor Skinner Robertson said that the Town does not have the resources to

effectively manage the spread as it would require cutting back every three weeks.

Levi Cliche advised that there is no known method of eradicating Phragmites other than excavation. They noted that the scale of the infestation is so large that trying to excavate it would cause more damage to the ecosystem. They suggested that the residents be advised to manage it from their side to stop it from continuing to spread onto their property.

ACTION: Draft letter in reply to the concerns and send to council as a recommendation

NAME: Gillian Kerr

DUE: June 30, 2026

12. Unfinished Business

i. Town Clean-up

Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson reported that they will organize a cleanup day on Saturday, July 25, 2026 to focus on the downtown area. The event will be advertised on Facebook and the Town Crier newsletter.

Stephen Hawboldt suggested contacting the Natal Day Committee to ask for help and volunteers.

Deputy Mayor Skinner-Roberston will provide an update at the next EAC meeting.

ii. Gulf of Maine Award

Stephen Hawboldt shared that the Town of Annapolis Royal had been nominated for the Gulf of Maine Council on the Marine Environment's 2026 Sustainable Committee Award. Mayor Boyer and CAO Millett-Campbell attended the ceremony on May 27 in St. Andrews, New Brunswick.

Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson thanked Stephen Hawboldt on behalf of Council for nominating the Town for this honour.

Chair Bernard noted that the announcement should be included in the upcoming issue of the Town Crier newsletter.

ACTION: Include announcement in Town Crier

NAME: Recording Secretary Bright

DUE: June 26, 2026

13. Correspondence:

None.

14. Next Meeting

July 8, 2026 at 3:00 pm

15. Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 3:39 pm.



Chair
Mike Bernard

Recording Secretary
Laura Bright