

**Environment Advisory Committee Meeting  
Approved Minutes  
February 14, 2025 at 9:30 am**

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| <b>1. Call to Order</b>       | CAO Millett-Campbell called the meeting to order at 9:32am                                                                                                                                        |
| <b>2. Present</b>             | Climate Lead Cassidy Walker (virtual), Stephen Hawboldt, Levi Cliché (virtual) Mike Bernard, Deputy Mayor Sybil Skinner Robertson, CAO Sandi Millett-Campbell and Recording Secretary Kim Dunning |
| <b>3. Regrets</b>             | None                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>4. Absent</b>              | None                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>5. Additions to Agenda</b> | New Business v. Future Offsetting Plans on Waterfront Available                                                                                                                                   |
| <b>6. Approval of Agenda</b>  | Regularly moved and seconded to approve the agenda with the above addition. <b>Motion carried.</b>                                                                                                |
| <b>Edits to the Minutes</b>   | None                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>7. Approval of Minutes</b> | Regularly moved and seconded approval of the minutes of December 13, 2024 minutes with the change of Cliche to Cliché and January 10, 2025, as presented. <b>Motion carried.</b>                  |

**8. Presentations**

None

**9. Public Input**

None

**10. New Business**

i. Welcome New Council Member

CAO Millett-Campbell welcomed Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson to this committee.

ii. Appoint Chair and Vice Chair

Committee followed the procedure of appointing Mike Bernard as the new Chair by acclamation. It was agreed to defer the appointment of the Vice Chair once the Environment Advisory Committee (EAC) has additional members.

iii. Need Committee Members

CAO Millett-Campbell advised that this committee needs two members and asked if anyone may personally know who would be interested in joining this committee. Mike Bernard may know someone and will speak to them. Steve Hawboldt asked if there was an option to change the start time / day of the week, and CAO Millett-Campbell responded that yes these could be changed if needed.

iv. Gulf of Maine Association Awards

Steve Hawboldt gave an overview of what this award is for, and that nominations are due at the end of February. They added that if anyone had any suggestions to let them know and

confirmed that the person would need to reside between Yarmouth and Dartmouth. Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson may have a suggestion regarding the shore cleanup recently held at Parkers Cove and will find more information for them. Steve Hawboldt asked if there were any names from Clean Annapolis River Project (CARP) that could also be put forward, and Levi Cliché will let them know.

**ACTION:** Send information on Clean Up and CARP names

**NAME:** Deputy Mayor Skinner-Robertson / Levi Cliché

**DUE:** February 12, 2025

v. Future Offsetting Plans on Waterfront Available

Levi Cliché has been in contact with Ducks Unlimited and is currently investigating watershed projects. They have checked out the water course that runs through Upper Clements Park side, and the County of Annapolis have this land up for sale until the end of March and may be a possibility as this land would incur building costs due to the layout. There is the potential of tidal marshes with money being offset from different resources. They added that there may be some projects out there that have potential and wanted the EAC to be aware of what's happening (this is for information only at the moment).

vi. Solar Panels

Steve Hawboldt asked if there is a way for EAC to promote this as there are a lot of flat roofs in the Town. CAO Millett-Campbell responded that this has been talked about and is included in the action plan and priorities. Climate Lead Walker added that this is included in the Clean Annapolis Plan. Mayor Boyer advised that the zero-interest loan would be appealing for residents and the first step is to let residents know this is out there. Mike Bernard suggested including an article in the Town's newsletter and will create an article and share with EAC for input.

**ACTION:** Solar panel article for Town Crier newsletter for residential and commercial

**NAME:** Chair Bernard

**DUE:** February 24, 2025

## 11. Unfinished Business

i. Nova Scotia Coastal Plan

Levi Cliché advised that it is on hold at the moment due to availability. Climate Lead Walker has been working on this with Levi Cliché and they are currently waiting for the Province to provide a guideline for everyone. It was agreed to defer this until the guideline document has been shared.

ii. Joint Action Plan Priorities – Annapolis Royal Priorities

Climate Lead Walker advised this was discussed at the last EAC meeting, and some ideas were submitted to them. The next step is for the survey to be shared with the Town of Annapolis Royal, County of Annapolis and the Town of Middleton CAO's. The plan is to then

send this out to the public, and set up some formal engagement sessions in the three locations.

Climate Lead Walker advised that the Town of Annapolis has received a grant for restoring a shoreline due to coastal storm surge in Annapolis Royal for \$880,100. CAO Millett-Campbell added that they have also received additional grants for this project and are applying for a couple more. The plan is to have the full amount needed provided by the grants submitted on behalf of the Town. CAO Millett-Campbell wanted to thank CleanFoundation for their help on these grants as they provided valuable input/time. They asked if Climate Lead Walker would share the press release within EAC and concluded that there will be a lot of work involved in this project.

**ACTION:** Share press release from The Federation of Canadian Municipalities (FCM) on grant

**NAME:** Climate Lead Walker

**DUE:** February 14, 2025

**12. Correspondence:** None

**13. Next Meeting**

February 24, 2025 at 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm – CleanFoundation Presentation

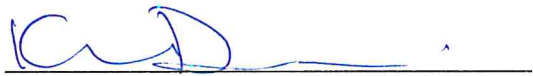
March 14, 2025 at 9:30 am

**14. Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 10:07 am



Chair Mike Bernard



Recording Secretary Kim Dunning

