



**ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
May 5, 2022**

PRESENT: Councillor Tony Mancini, Chair
Councillor Kathryn Morse, Vice Chair
Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon
Councillor Sam Austin
Councillor Shawn Cleary

REGRETS: Deputy Mayor Pam Lovelace

STAFF: Joshua Judah, Solicitor
Jill McGillicuddy, Legislative Assistant

The following does not represent a verbatim record of the proceedings of this meeting.

The agenda, reports, supporting documents, information items circulated, and video (if available) are online at halifax.ca.

The meeting was called to order at 1:02 p.m., and recessed at 2:41 p.m.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m. and acknowledged that the meeting took place in the traditional and ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people, and that we are all treaty people.

Emma Wattie, Water Quality Monitoring Program Coordinator advised the municipality's Environment & Climate Change team has launched LakeWatchers, a community-based lake monitoring program. They will gather water quality data that will be used to assist in informing planning policies for future growth and development, and to understand the health of our lakes. The first-year goal is to have 5 lakes monitored by the community and increase overtime. The remaining lakes will be monitored by HRM staff and contractors.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – March 3, 2022

MOVED by Councillor Deagle Gammon, seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the minutes of March 3, 2022 be approved as circulated.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

3. APPROVAL OF THE ORDER OF BUSINESS AND APPROVAL OF ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS

Additions: None

Deletions: None

MOVED by Councillor Austin seconded by Councillor Cleary

THAT the agenda be approved as presented.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

4. BUSINESS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES - NONE

5. CALL FOR DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTERESTS - NONE

6. MOTIONS OF RECONSIDERATION – NONE

7. MOTIONS OF RESCISSION – NONE

8. CONSIDERATION OF DEFERRED BUSINESS – NONE

9. NOTICES OF TABLED MATTERS – NONE

10. CORRESPONDENCE, PETITIONS & DELEGATIONS

10.1 Correspondence

The Legislative Assistant noted that one piece of correspondence was received and circulated to the Committee.

10.2 Petitions – None

10.3 Presentation

10.3.1 Nature Nova Scotia – Application for Halifax as a Bird Friendly City – Rebecca Parker, Coordinator, Nature Nova Scotia and Autumn Jordan, Bird Friendly Coordinator, Nature Canada

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Presentation dated May 5, 2022

- Presentation request from Rebecca Parker dated March 28, 2022

Rebecca Parker, Coordinator Nature Nova Scotia and Autumn Jordan, Bird Friendly Coordinator, Nature Canada gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee.

MOVED by Councillor Morse, seconded by Councillor Deagle Gammon

THAT Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee recommends Halifax Regional Council direct the Chief Administrative Officer to prepare a staff report evaluating the application from Halifax to Nature Canada for certification as a bird friendly City.

MOTION PUT AND PASSED.

10.3.2 Building Integrated Photovoltaics – Barry Osmun, AzSpecd Solutions Inc

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Presentation dated May 5, 2022
- Presentation request from Barry Osmun dated March 31, 2022

Barry Osmun, AzSpecd Solutions Inc gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Environment and Sustainability Standing Committee

11. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

12. REPORTS

12.1 STAFF

12.1.1 Halifax Solar City Program Update 2022

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Staff presentation dated May 5, 2022

Kevin Boutilier, Manager of Community Energy, gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

12.2 MEMBERS OF STANDING COMMITTEE - NONE

12.3 BOARDS AND COMMITTEES - NONE

13. MOTIONS - NONE

14. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

15. ADDED ITEMS - NONE

16. NOTICES OF MOTION - NONE

17. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION - NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – June 2, 2022

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:41 p.m.

Jill McGillicuddy
Legislative Assistant