

TOWN OF AMHERSTBURG

ENVIRONMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

Thursday, February 6, 2025 5:00 P.M. Council Chambers 271 Sandwich Street South, Amherstburg, ON, N9V 2A5

PRESENT	John McDonald - Chair Bille Gardner - Vice Chair (<i>Electronic Participant</i>) Councillor Molly Allaire Councillor Peter Courtney Barbara Goldman Carolyn Davies (<i>Electronic Participant</i>)
STAFF PRESENT	Antonietta Giofu - Staff Liaison, Director Infrastructure Services Kevin Fox – Clerk (<i>Electronic Participant</i>) Selena Scebba - Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Recording Secretary called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. ROLL CALL

3. CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

3.1 Nomination of Chair

Moved by Councillor Allaire Seconded by Councillor Courtney

That John McDonald **BE APPOINTED** Chair of the Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee.

The Recording Secretary put the motion.

Motion Carried

3.2 Nomination of Vice Chair

Moved by Councillor Allaire **Seconded by** Councillor Courtney

That Bille Gardner **BE APPOINTED** Vice Chair of the Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee.

The Recording Secretary put the motion.

Motion Carried

The Chair assumed control of the meeting.

4. DISCLOSURE OF PECUNIARY INTEREST & GENERAL NATURE THEREOF

There were no disclosures noted.

Barbara Goldman entered the meeting.

5. LAND ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The following land acknowledgment was read, "We will begin by acknowledging that the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Three Fires Confederacy of First Nations (comprising the Ojibway, the Odawa, and the Potawatomie Peoples), and of the Huron-Wendat and Wyandot Peoples. We recognize the land as an expression of gratitude to those whose traditional territory we reside on, and a way of honouring the Indigenous people who have been living and thriving on the land since time immemorial. We value the significant historical and contemporary contributions of local and regional First Nations and all of the Original Peoples of Turtle Island."

6. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

6.1 Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes -November 7, 2024

Moved by Councillor Allaire Seconded by Councillor Courtney

That the Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of November 7, 2024 **BE ADOPTED**.

The Chair put the motion.

Motion Carried

7. ORDER OF BUSINESS

7.1 Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting Schedule for 2025

Moved by Councillor Courtney **Seconded by** Councillor Allaire

That the proposed 2025 Amherstburg Environmental Advisory Committee meeting schedule **BE ADOPTED**.

The Chair put the motion.

Motion Carried

7.2 Parks Master Plan Update Consultation

Carolyn Davies entered the meeting.

7.3 Year of the Tree Progress Updates

Bille Gardner left the meeting.

7.4 Earth Day 2025 Updates

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

9. NEW BUSINESS

10. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Councillor Allaire Seconded by B. Goldman

That the Committee **ADJOURN** at 6:29 p.m.

The Chair put the motion.

Motion Carried

John McDonald - Chair

Selena Scebba - Recording Secretary