

Town of Arnprior Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: Tuesday, May 20th, 2025

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Council Chambers – 105 Elgin Street West, Arnprior

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Roll Call
- 3. Land Acknowledgement
- 4. Adoption of Agenda
- 5. Disclosures of Pecuniary Interest
- 6. Adoption of Previous Minutes
 - a) Committee Minutes April 22nd, 2025 (Page 1-4)
- 7. Presentations / Delegations
- 8. Matters Tabled / Deferred / Unfinished Business
- 9. Staff Reports (by Department)
- 10. New Business
 - a) Committee Work Plan Discussion
 - **b)** Roundtable Discussion

11. Adjournment

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Minutes of the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting April 22nd, 2025 6:30 PM Council Chambers – Town Hall

Committee and Staff Attendance

Committee Members Present:

Natalie Deveau, Chair Chris Toner, Vice Chair Barry Goodman, Committee Member Ted Strike, Councillor Alexis Young, Committee Member

Committee Members Absent:

Ben Shearer, Committee Member

Town Staff Present:

Kaila Zamojski, Town Clerk
Kaitlyn Wendland, Client Services
Coordinator
Jessica Schultz, A/Environmental
Engineering Officer
Graeme Ivory, Director of Recreation
Kelley Jaros, A/Marketing &
Economic Development Officer

1. Call to Order

Natalie Deveau, Chair, called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM and welcomed those present.

2. Roll Call

The roll was called, with all Members of the Committee being present except Ben Shearer.

3. Land Acknowledgment

Natalie Deveau, Chair, asked everyone to take a moment to acknowledge and show respect for the Indigenous Peoples as traditional stewards of the land we operate on, by stating:

"I would like to begin by acknowledging that the land on which we work and gather is the traditional unceded territory of the Anishinaabe People. This Algonquin Nation have lived on this land for thousands of years, long before the arrival of the European settlers, and we are grateful to have the opportunity to be present in this territory."

4. Adoption of Agenda

Resolution Number 004-25 Moved by Barry Goodman Seconded by Alexis Young

Be It Resolved That the agenda for the Environmental Advisory Committee Meeting dated Monday, April 22nd, 2025 be adopted.

Resolution Carried

5. Disclosure of Pecuniary Interest

None

6. Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting(s)

Resolution Number 005-25 Moved by Ted Strike Seconded by Chris Toner

Be It Resolved That the minutes for the March 14th, 2025 Environmental Advisory Committee meeting be adopted.

Resolution Carried

7. Presentations/ Delegations

a) Webpage Updates

Kelley Jaros, Acting Marketing and Economic Development Officer, provided an overview of the updated webpage for the Environmental Advisory Committee. Discussion ensued amongst Committee Members and members decided to discuss a template for the webpage content at the next meeting.

8. Matters Tabled/ Deferred/ Unfinished Business

None

9. Staff Reports

None

10. New Business

a) Committee Workplan Discussion

Natalie Deveau, Chair, asked the Committee for any updates regarding the workplan. Discussion ensued amongst Committee Members resulting in the following updates to the workplan:

Focus 1: Support Local Flora	Update/ Completed
Pollinator garden in Town	Chris Toner will present a plan for the Town pollinator garden layout at the next Committee meeting.
Educational materials for residents about native and pollinator species	
Garden Awards	This will be a 2026 initiative. Explore potential partnerships in the community.
Understanding heritage/natural protected sites zoning	Town Planner will come to the Committee to discuss towards the end of 2025.
Dark Sky Initiative	Town staff to review materials and come back to the Committee in the Fall.
Bee City Canada Initiative	Recommendation to Council, see resolution below.
Focus 2: Waste Reduction	Update/ Completed
Alternatives to traditional curbside green bin collection	
Foodcycler Promotion	
Educational materials to support proper recycling	
Focus 3: Healthy Waterways	Update/ Completed
Reduce the spread of aquatic invasive species	Signage to be installed at Marina
Educational materials to support residents in	Brochures dropped off at local
reducing invasive species spread	businesses to provide information.
Options for cleaning boats at marina	
Focus 4: Carbon Footprint Reduction	Update/ Completed
Increase efficiencies/energy conservation at Town Buildings	Will discuss in the Fall.
Supporting active transportation	Plan to host a bike safety session in June with community partners.
Energy efficiencies in new developments	Town Planner will come to the Committee to discuss towards the end of 2025.

Resolution Number 006-25 Moved by Chris Toner Seconded by Alexis Young **That** the Environmental Advisory Committee recommend to the Town of Arnprior's Council that the Town of Arnprior become a Bee City; and

That the Environmental Advisory Committee recommend to Council that the Town of Arnprior proclaim June 16th to June 22nd, 2025 as Pollinator Week in the Town of Arnprior; and

Further That the Environmental Advisory Committee create a pollinator garden in the Town of Arnprior.

Resolution Carried

b) Roundtable Discussion

None

11. Adjournment

Resolution Number 007-25 Moved by Ted Strike Seconded by Alexis Young

That the Environmental Advisory Committee adjourn at 7:45 PM.

Resolution Carried