



**Environment Advisory Committee
Hampton Town Hall
May 19, 2026 7:00 pm
Meeting Minutes**

Attendees:

Pam McKenzie (Vice Chair) Marshal Fowler Jean Northrup John Blenis
Karin Boyé (Councillor)

Regrets:

Blair Boudreau Laura Myers Phil Taber (Chair)

Staff:

Arthur McCarthy P. Eng. – PLED Director
Cameron Evans – Development Officer
Richard Malone – CAO

Guests:

Ben LeBlanc – EMO Director

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Vice Chair Pam McKenzie at 6:55 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Karin Boyé and seconded by John Blenis to approve the agenda of the May 19, 2026, meeting as presented.

Question on Motion - Marshal – When to bring forward new items for next meeting (ex. Floodplain mapping in Hammond River for GIS, Council orientation to committee/new members and procedure/review EAC). Staff advised new agenda items should be brought forward for the next meeting towards the end of the meeting.

Motion Carried

3. DISCLOSURE OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST - None Declared



4. PRESENTATION - Ben LeBlanc – Director of Emergency Management (EMO)

Overview of Emergency Management (EM) By-Law and E.M. Plan

Ben Leblanc, Director of EMO presented on the recently adopted EM By-law. The committee inquired about further updates on the fuel spill and remediation efforts along Route 1. Director of EMO provided an overview of the EMO structure and partnerships (provincial/federal) using the recent fuel spill event as an example. Further, it was highlighted that any updates regarding the incident are released from RP/DELG as this area falls within their jurisdiction/responsibilities, in which Hampton shares public information as the EMO partner in the area. Further, a committee member asked for further discussion regarding EMO members training for Dangerous Goods and Environmental Risk. The Director of EMO advised that all staff involved are training in ICS depending on their role.

Ben LeBlanc departs the meeting at 7:30pm

5. Approval of Minutes

Moved by John Blenis and seconded by Jean Northrup to accept the minutes of the March 17, 2026 meeting.
Motion Carried

6. Business Arising from Minutes:

6.1 Darling's Lake Management Community Advisory Committee

Moved by Councillor Boyé and seconded by Councillor Trecartin that Hampton Council refer the recommendation of the Environment Advisory Committee to further explore the formation of a Darling's Lake Management Community Advisory Committee to staff for review and recommendation.

MOTION CARRIED

Staff provided an update to the Council motion and are intending to reach out to HRAA to meet and review this further ahead of providing Council with a recommendation.

6.2 Procedural By-Law – Update

Moved by Councillor Beach and seconded by Councillor Boyé that Hampton Council adopt and enact the third and final reading of By-Law No. HAM-2026-01: A By-Law Respecting the



Proceedings of Hampton Council and Committee Meetings. Upon this third and final reading of By-Law No. HAM-2026-01: A By-Law Respecting the Proceedings of Hampton Council and Committee Meetings, By-Law No. HAM-2025-01: A By-Law Respecting the Proceedings of Hampton Council and Committee Meetings, enacted on May 13, 2025, and all amendments thereto, is hereby repealed.

MOTION CARRIED

Staff summarized overall changes of bylaw, new Committee of the Whole (COW) meeting, streamlining public hearings, clarifying committee roles and change to have council reps as committee chairs. Further, the EAC Mandate was reviewed with the changes intended to reflect natural features in the Community Planning Act and priorities outlined in the Provincial Statement of Public Interest, and to further align with Hampton's existing plans – GHG emission plan, Municipal plan, Climate Adaptation Plan.

Committee member raised concerns regarding subdivision plans being preliminary/tentative and subject to change and questioned if additional time is available or further involvement in the process is possible when changes are made to approved plans. Staff advised that the plan is tentative, not definite, and may change depending on policies/guidelines, but the overall concept typically does not change unless the Committee renders an unfavourable recommendation (ex. Country View Heights Subdivision 2022) which would return if requested by Council. The intent of the mandate is to provide feedback at the concept stage to minimize impacts (risk) on natural features but also to identify opportunities (promote) to use green infrastructure, a shared responsibility when reviewing proposed developments.

Committee member raised concerned regarding follow up/implementation during the construction stage for environmental risks. Staff reiterated that the Environment committee is not an enforcement body, and concerns should be reported to appropriate jurisdiction. Policy changes are encouraged by the Committee through recommendation to Council. The Committee member further questioned compliance with policies/plans and available options beyond reporting to the appropriate jurisdiction. Staff encourage members to contact other jurisdictions (ex. DELG, DFO, EC) as they are empowered to act, and that Hampton has limited enforcement capabilities.



7. New Business:

7.1 Kennebecasis Watershed Restoration Committee Update from March 24, 2026, Meeting (KWRC) – Update

Staff provided an overview of projects completed/underway within Hampton boundaries by KWRC.

7.2 Green Municipal Fund Application – Implementation (Phase 2) – Update

Staff provided update of GMF application regarding the memo submitted to Council on February 10, 2026, for proposed work at Sites 2 and 3. Committee member inquired about Site 1 (Pickwauket Road), and staff advised that the project was funded under a separate program with the work planned for 2026 with Four (4) culvert crossings (pending DELG/DFO approval).

8. Outstanding Issues:

8.1 Battery Recycling – Update

Staff provided an update that “Call to Recycle” is connected with the Owner of Norad Recycling on William Bell Drive who is coordinating this initiative and confirmed that this location will be a drop off/boxes for transferring batteries to “Call to Recycle”.

8.2 Next Meeting

Tentatively scheduled for August 18, 2026 (as per Procedural By-Law HAM-2026-01, Section i) The Committees will break during the months of June, July and December, unless there is urgent business that must be addressed). The following were proposed for the next meeting Agenda.

- 9.1.1 EAC Action Plan (Arthur/Cameron)
- 9.1.2 Floodplain Mapping for Hammond River (Marshall)
- 9.1.3 Hampton Dump Site (Marshall)
- 9.1.4 EMO Members Training (Marshall)
- 9.1.5 Numerous Temporary Signage (Jean)
- 9.1.6 Route 1 Fuel Spill Update (John)



9.1.7 Funding Opportunity (Arthur/Cam)

Additionally, staff provide an overview of the upcoming council swearing in (May 25th, 2026) process and noted that committee assignments for Councillors would be include who will chair committees meeting moving forward, and extended gratitude and appreciation to Councillor Boyé on behalf EAC and staff for her involvement with the committee and Council over the last three years.

9. Adjournment

Moved by Marshal Fowler and seconded by John Blenis that the meeting be adjourned at 8:22 pm

Motion Carried

Approved:

Pam McKenzie
Vice-Chair

Cameron Evans
Staff Representative