



**ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY STANDING COMMITTEE
MINUTES
February 17, 2026**

PRESENT: Councillor Cathy Deagle Gammon, Chair
Councillor Laura White, Vice Chair
Councillor Sam Austin
Councillor Tony Mancini
Councillor Janet Steele
Councillor Nancy Hartling

STAFF: John MacPherson, Executive Director, Property, Fleet & Environment
Elise Martino, Solicitor
Dorothy Maponga, Legislative Assistant
Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku, Legislative Assistant

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

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1. CALL TO ORDER AND LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

The Chair called the meeting to order at 1:32 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. The Chair led the Committee in the African Nova Scotian Affirmation.

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – December 4, 2025

MOVED by Councillor Austin, seconded by Councillor Steele

THAT the minutes of December 4, 2025 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 Steele, seconded by Councillor Hartling

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 – None

10.2 Petitions – None

10.3 Presentation

10.3.1 Sophia Lindfield - The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Request to present dated December 3, 2025
- Presentation dated February 17, 2026
- Handout dated February 17, 2026

Lana Goldberg, Stand.earth gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

10.3.2 Pamela Glode Desrochers - Wije'winen Centre Project

The following was before the Standing Committee:

- Request to present dated January 7, 2026

- Presentation dated February 17, 2026

Pamela Glode Desrochers and Thomas McGuire, Mi'kmaw Native Friendship Center gave a presentation and responded to questions of clarification from the Standing Committee.

11. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The Chair noted there were no registered speakers and called three times for any other members of the public wishing to speak; there were none.

12. INFORMATION ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD – NONE

13. REPORTS – NONE

14. MOTIONS – NONE

15. IN CAMERA (IN PRIVATE) – NONE

16. ADDED ITEMS – NONE

17. NOTICES OF MOTION – NONE

18. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – March 9, 2026

19. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 2:23 p.m.

Olawumi Odeyinka-Apantaku
Legislative Assistant