



City of North Port

4970 CITY HALL BLVD
NORTH PORT, FL 34286

Meeting Minutes Environmental Advisory Board

Monday, October 6, 2025

5:30 PM

City Hall Room 244

1. Call to Order

Chair McGowen called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. Roll Call

Present 4 - Board Member Eik, Chair McGowan, Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

Also Present

Staff Liaison Kalev and City Clerk Faust.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by the Board.

4. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

5. Approval of Minutes

- A. [25-2861](#) Approve the September 8, 2025, Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Minutes.

Chair McGowan announced the item.

A motion was made by Board Member Drumm, seconded by Board Member Jackomin, to approve the Minutes as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Board Member Eik, Chair McGowan, Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

6. Presentation

- A. [25-2887](#) Presentation and Discussion Regarding Potential Future Development Projects in North Port

Chair McGowan announced the item.

Mr. Kalev provided a presentation regarding reviewed projects including Activity Center (AC5) master concept plan, Toledo Village off-site utility extension, Village of Star Farms at North Port, Star Farms Village at North Port Golf, Sumter Crossing Car Rental, Broken

Blade, and Price Crossings.

There was no public comment.

7. New Business

B. [25-2885](#)

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Electing a New Vice Chair to the Environmental Advisory Board (EAB)

Chair McGowan announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item and process.

Chair McGowan opened nominations.

Chair McGowan nominated Board Member Eik.

Board Member Drumm nominated Board Member Jackomin.

Board Member Jackomin turned down the nomination.

Board Member Jackomin nominated Board Member Drumm.

Chair McGowan closed nominations.

Board discussion took place regarding time left in terms, expertise, and passion.

The nomination of Board Member Eik to be elected as Vice Chair failed on the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Board Member Eik and Chair McGowan

No: 2 - Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

The nomination of Board Member Drumm to be elected as Vice Chair failed on the following vote:

Yes: 2 - Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

No: 2 - Board Member Eik and Chair McGowan

Board discussion took place regarding role of Vice Chair and time frame for elections.

The nomination of Board Member Eik to be elected as Vice Chair carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Board Member Eik, Chair McGowan, Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

A. [25-2707](#)

Discussion and Possible Recommendation Regarding North Port's Tree Mitigation Process

Chair McGowan announced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding lowering fees, including cap, fees tied to salaries, and surrounding municipalities fees and processes.

Mr. Kalev spoke to board roles and responsibilities.

Board discussion continued regarding raising fees, development, environmental regulations, purpose of fees, incentive to save trees, mitigation credit, incentive options, additional information needed regarding formula, future agenda item regarding presentation of fees, fee structure, and next steps.

There was no public comment.

C. [25-2886](#)

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Tree Placement and Site Compatibility

Chair McGowan announced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding trees along streets/roads, underground utilities and infrastructure, consideration of tree reaching maturity, safety factors, visibility concerns, additional information regarding location of trees planted by roadways, recommendations on process, developing a draft recommendation to present to Commission, exempt projects, and Natural Resource Department expertise.

There was no public comment.

D. [25-2892](#)

Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Approval of the Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Schedule for 2026.

Chair McGowan announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

A motion was made by Board Member Jackomin, seconded by Board Member Drumm, to approve the Environmental Advisory Board 2026 Meeting Schedule. The motion carried on the following vote:

Yes: 4 - Board Member Eik, Chair McGowan, Board Member Jackomin and Board Member Drumm

8. Future Agenda Items

Discussion took place regarding Natural Resources Division presentation and Tree Fund update.

9. Public Comment

There was no public comment.

10. Adjournment

Chair McGowan adjourned the meeting at 6:42 p.m.

By: _____
Casey McGowan, Chair