



# City of North Port

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NORTH PORT, FL 34286

## Meeting Minutes Environmental Advisory Board

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Monday, April 6, 2026

5:30 PM

City Hall Room 244

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### 1. CALL TO ORDER

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

### 2. ROLL CALL

**Present** 5 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Board Member San Vicente and Board Member Taylor

**Absent** 3 - Vice Chair Stark, Board Member Scott and Board Member German

### ALSO PRESENT

Staff Liaison Kalev and Board Specialist Fritz.

### 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. [26-0503](#) Approve the March 2, 2026 Environmental Advisory Board Meeting Minutes

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding recommended changes

***A motion was made by Board Member San Vicente, seconded by Board Member McGowan, to continue Item No. 26-0503 to the next meeting for approval. The motion carried on the following vote:***

**Yes:** 5 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Board Member San Vicente and Board Member Taylor

**Absent:** 3 - Vice Chair Stark, Board Member Scott and Board Member German

### 6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. [26-0576](#) Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the Draft 2025 Annual Report to the City Commission

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

***A motion was made by Board Member McGowan, seconded by Board Member San Vicente, to approve the Environmental Advisory Board 2025 Annual Report as presented. The motion carried on the following vote:***

**Yes:** 5 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Board Member San Vicente and Board Member Taylor

**Absent:** 3 - Vice Chair Stark, Board Member Scott and Board Member German

**B. [26-0578](#)** Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Update from the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board Liaison

Chair Drumm announced the item.

There was no update due to Board Member Jackomin's absence.

**C. [26-0585](#)** Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Future Utilization of the Environmental Protection Fund

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding expenditures versus revenue, Natural Resource Department's budget projections, proposed budget processes, wildlife protection, Commission recommendations, general funding actions, post-election decision, revenue streams allocation, staff cost and time, budget workshops and public knowledge, future funding changes, and general funds.

***A motion was made by Board Member San Vicente, seconded by Board Member Eik, to continue Item No. 26-0585 as an ongoing item for discussion. The motion carried on the following vote:***

**Yes:** 5 - Board Member Eik, Board Member McGowan, Chair Drumm, Board Member San Vicente and Board Member Taylor

**Absent:** 3 - Vice Chair Stark, Board Member Scott and Board Member German

**D. [26-0584](#)** Discussion and Possible Recommendation on the Environmental Protection Fund

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding Natural Resource Department's budget.

## **7. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. [26-0582](#)** Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Strengthening Environmental Advisory Board's Recommendations and How to Make These More Effective

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev introduced the item.

Board discussion took place regarding Unified Land Development Code (ULDC) research and understanding, zoning and burn recommendations, and locating ULDC and Comprehensive Plan.

Mr. Kalev spoke to need for further discussion.

**B. [26-0580](#) Recurring Agenda Item for Discussion and Possible Action Regarding DRC Projects of Environmental Concern**

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Board questions and discussions took place regarding Development Review Committee (DRC) projects including Ukrainian Baptist Church gathering hall addition and gopher tortoise relocation, and request for special exception of parcel from light industrial to industrial.

Mr. Kalev spoke to DCR process.

Board questions and discussions continued regarding special exception request.

**8. UPDATES**

**A. [26-0577](#) New Environmental Advisory Board Member Introduction**

Chair Drumm announced the item.

There were no new Board Members.

**B. [26-0579](#) Update from the Natural Resources Division**

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev provided an update regarding awards, tree giveaway, landscape compliance program, and Great American Clean-Up.

Board discussion took place regarding Warm Mineral Springs creek clogging and clean-up spots, tree purchases, landscape compliance program commercial versus residential lots, reports, non-profit organizations, and tree giveaway limit communications.

**9. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Chair Drumm announced the item.

Mr. Kalev spoke to number of future agenda items.

Board discussion took place regarding wildlife discussion and survey, annual reports, wildflower projects, North Port High School recycling issue, and Environmental Club.

**10. PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Drumm adjourned the meeting at 6:59 p.m.

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Tim Drumm, Chair