
The regular meeting of the Town of Mahone Bay's Asset Management Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday, October 20th, 2022, at 12:08 PM via video conference.

Present:

Mayor, D. Devenne

Deputy Mayor, F. Kangata

CAO, D. Heide

Manager of Finance, A. Yeadon-Wentzell

Climate and Energy Program Manager, L. Clark

D. Waterfield

T. Van den Berg (LandInfo Technologies)

Absent:

Councillor R. Nowe (with regret)

A. St Onge (with regret)

B Lewis (with regret)

Land Acknowledgement

Let us begin by acknowledging that we are gathered today in Mi'kma'ki. The ancestral, present and future territory of the Mi'kmaw people. Today, we gather with the intent followed by the living Peace and Friendship Treaties - with respect, cooperation and coexistence.

Approval of Agenda

A motion by, D. Waterfield seconded by F. Kangata "THAT the agenda be approved as presented." Motion Carried

Approval of Minutes

A motion by D. Waterfield, seconded by F. Kangata, "THAT the minutes of the September 22, 2022, Asset Management Committee be approved as presented." Motion carried.

Town of Mahone Bay Asset Management System Overview

Tjaart Van den Berg from LandInfo Technologies went over the asset management system now being utilized by the Town (QGIS/Civitas), for the information of the committee. Past data collected by the Town was useful and uploaded to the new system. T. Van den Berg went through using the system highlighting how it can be used operationally as well as to support decision-making and how to run detailed reports.

T. Van den Berg and CAO Heide elaborated on next steps to correct and refine the data used by the system, bringing it to a state of readiness in the near future. Committee members discussed opportunities for improvement and the potential development of a policy - or policy provisions within the Town's Asset Management Policy - to guide staff in the collection, correction, refinement and maintenance of asset management data.

It was suggested that limited people have edit access (likely the Climate and Energy Program Manager) and both Committee/Council members and applicable staff have read-only access to help limit the risk of bad data entry.

Discussion of Capital Financing by Asset Class

Discussion about how TOMB is going to need to finance projects over the next couple decades. Need to determine strategies on how to finance them - tax-base vs user fees and rates, short term vs long term, less debt vs more, etc. These financing strategies will be stipulated for each asset class, in the draft asset management plans currently under development.

Training Opportunities

Links for training will be sent out to members requiring them.

Committee Membership

Looking for the public's interest to join the committee in the next round of general committee advertisement.

Next Meeting

November 17, 2022, at 12:00 PM.

The meeting adjourned upon motion at 1:35 PM

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Mayor, David Devenne

Recording Secretary, Ashley Yeadon-Wentzell