

A meeting of the Policy & Strategy Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Monday, November 27, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Present:

Mayor David Devenne
Councillor Penny Carver
Councillor Joseph Feeney
Councillor Suzanne Lohnes-Croft
Councillor Richard Nowe
Councillor Kelly Wilson
Deputy CAO, Eric Levy
Manager of Finance, Ashley Yeadon-Wentzell

Absent: Deputy Mayor Francis Kangata

Gallery:

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.

1. Approval of Agenda – Correct agenda

A motion by Councillor Carver , seconded by Councillor Wilson, “THAT the agenda be approved as circulated.” Motion carried.

2. Minutes

The committee received the draft minutes of the October 23, 2023 meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee.

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Feeney, “THAT the minutes of the October 23, 2023 meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee be accepted as presented.” Motion carried.

3.1 Community Engagement Opportunities

Councillor Carver distributed information on public engagement opportunities prior to the meeting to discuss the potential of expanding the scope of the Public Engagement Policy and to discuss various avenues to increase public engagement.

3.2. Alternative Resources Energy Authority (AREA)

Dylan Heide, CAO introduced some items brought to the October 17th special Council meeting with AREA staff to discuss. Council was asked to reach a decision on the hiring of a Utility Director and bringing the suite of AREA financial services to Mahone Bay.

This committee was also discussed Interest Rate Policy and Line of Credit, as AREA staff asked that all Councils have discussions on these topics prior to the next AREA board meeting.

4. Next meeting

4.1 Date and Time

The next meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee will be held at 7pm on Monday, January 22, 2023.

5.2 Agenda for next meeting

It was agreed that the agenda for the next meeting would include a discussion on

Old Fire Hall

Swimming Pool

Marketing Levy

With no further agenda items, the meeting adjourned at 9:01 PM.

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Chair, Mayor David Devenne

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Deputy CAO, Eric J. Levy

