

The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Tuesday, May 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers.

Present:

Mayor D. Devenne
Deputy Mayor K. Nauss
Councillor J. Bain
Councillor P. Carver
Councillor J. Feeney
Councillor R. Nowe
Councillor C. O’Neill
Acting CAO, M. Hughes

Regrets:

Director of Operations, D. MacKenzie

Gallery: 2

Minutes

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver, **“THAT the Minutes of the April 26, 2018 regular meeting be approved as circulated.”** Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT the Minutes of the April 27, 2018 budget meeting be approved as circulated.”** Motion carried.

Delegations and Individuals

Brooke Nodding, Bluenose Coastal Action Foundation and Andre Veinotte, ABLE Engineering Council received a presentation from Brooke Nodding and Andre Veinotte, presented the Sewage Options Report prepared for the Town of Mahone Bay. The study was commissioned to identify straight pipes in Mahone Bay and suggest options for remediation. The report identified nine straight pipes and provided an estimate of costs associated with providing alternate sewage solutions for each property. Staff were directed to research costs and feasibility associated with the suggested options and report back to Council.

Correspondence – Information Items

1. Carolyn Bolivar-Getson, Mayor of MODL, with a letter to Randy Delorey, Minister of Health, requesting an update on plans for doctor recruitment in Nova Scotia.
2. Linda Surette, Executive Assistant with the Town of Yarmouth, with an invitation to an information session hosted the Canada Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Board.
3. Marion Moore, with the Campaign to Protect Offshore Nova Scotia, with information concerning CNSOPB’s recent news release and information countering CNSOPB’s fact sheet.
4. Tracy Verbeke, UNSM, with information about the upcoming Atlantic Summit.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT the correspondence numbered 1–4 be received and filed.”** **Motion carried.**

Committee and Other Reports

Director of Operations – Department Report

Council received a monthly departmental report from the Director of Operations.

CAO’s Report

Council received the CAO’s monthly report. Acting CAO Maureen Hughes reviewed her report with Council and highlighted key items including feedback received from Bayview Community School concerning the April 26, 2018 Town Council meeting that was held in the library of the school.

Audit Committee

Council received the minutes of the May 3, 2018 meeting of the Audit Committee.

Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program

Council received the April 2018 Report of the Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program.

South Shore Housing Action Coalition

Council received a verbal update from Councillor Carver on the recent meeting of the South Shore Action Coalition (SSHAC). Council will now receive minutes from SSHAC on a regular basis.

Notice of Motions

Fire and Burglar Alarm Bylaw

I, Richard Nowe, give notice that at a meeting of Town Council to be held on June 12, 2018, I will move or cause to be moved a motion to adopt the Fire and Burglar Alarm Bylaw.

Capital Infrastructure Bylaw

I, Joseph Feeney, give notice that at a meeting of Town Council to be held on June 12, 2018, I will move or cause to be moved a motion to adopt the Capital Infrastructure Bylaw.

Deed Transfer Tax Bylaw

I, Joseph Feeney, give notice that at a meeting of Town Council to be held on June 12, 2018, I will move or cause to be moved a motion to adopt the Deed Transfer Tax Bylaw.

New Business

Bayview Cemetery Mowing Tender

A motion by Councillor Bain, seconded by Councillor Carver “**THAT Council ratify the decision made by the Acting CAO based on an email poll of Council and that the tender for 2018 Mowing Services for Bayview Cemetery be awarded to Town & Country Property Improvements.**” **Motion carried.**

Mahone Harbour Water Quality

Mayor Devenne informed Council that water quality tests are currently being administered in Mahone Bay Harbour by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO). Mayor Devenne, along with Municipality of the District of Lunenburg (MODL) Councillor Michael Ernst, have requested that the Town and MODL jointly approach DFO and ask that they also test the ocean waters within Mahone Bay’s inner harbour. Council agreed by consensus to coordinate with MODL to request increased testing by DFO.

Community Connector Proposal

Council received a proposal from the Provincial Government and Maritime Bus for a daily bus service which would connect Lunenburg County to Halifax on a daily basis. As part of the proposal the Provincial Government requested the support of the municipalities.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor O’Neill, “**THAT Council submit a letter of support for the Community Connector Pilot Project which would provide daily service from Lunenburg County to Halifax, seven days a week, with the understanding that there are no financial contributions expected from the Town of Mahone Bay.**” **Motion carried.**

Twelve Months’ Notice

Council received twelve months’ notice from Geoff Stewart, President of the UNSM, of potential changes to revenues or expenditures to municipalities. Among the potential changes was a notice from the Department of Environment that they will require municipalities to change the way that they test for lead.

Accounts

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Bain, “**THAT the expenses be paid in the amount of \$143,594.21 as presented.**” **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned upon motion at 8:41p.m.

TOWN OF MAHONE BAY

TOWN OF MAHONE BAY

Acting CAO, Maureen Hughes

Mayor, David Devenne