



The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday, February 12, 2019 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
Planner, G. Sturtevant
CAO, D. Heide
Acting Secretary, K. Redden

Regrets:

Gallery: 9

Agenda

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT the agenda be approved as presented.”** **Motion carried.**

Minutes

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Feeney, **“THAT the minutes of the January 24, 2019 council meeting be approved as presented.”** **Motion carried.**

Consideration of Delegations

Lunenburg County Community Alcohol Partnership (LCCAP)

Sadie Watson of the LCCAP provided a presentation to Council.

Correspondence – Action Items

1. Andrew Tanner, Saltbox Brewery, with a festival application for the 2019 Saltbox Soapbox Race.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver, **“THAT Council support the 2019 Saltbox Soapbox Derby event as presented in the application letter.”** **Motion carried.**

2. Kim and Brent Kraushar with a request to enter into a Development Agreement for their property at 995 Main Street, Mahone Bay.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT the request to enter into a development agreement with the owners of 995 Main Street be forwarded to the Planning Advisory Committee for review and recommendation to Council.”** Motion carried.

Correspondence – Information Items

1. Glennie Langille, Chief of Protocol and Secretary of the Order of Nova Scotia, with information concerning nominations for the 2018 Order of Nova Scotia.
2. Juanita Spencer, CAO of NSFM, with an introductory letter.
3. NSFM with an email gauging interest in a CAP pilot program.
4. NSFM with information on new legislation concerning the personal possession of body armour.
5. NSFM seeking expressions of interest for the Built Environment Standard Development Committee.
6. South Shore Regional Enterprise Network (SSREN) with signed financial statements as of December 31, 2018
7. Tanice Mundle of Communities in Bloom with an invitation to participate in the 2019 Communities in Bloom Program.
8. Tom and Marion Webb, Town Residents, with a letter expressing concerns for the proposed MacLeod Group construction.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT the correspondence numbered 1-8 be received and filed.”** Motion carried.

Staff Reports

Council Report

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, **“THAT the Council Report for February 12, 2019 be received and filed.”** Motion carried.

Draft Development Agreement – 363 Main Street

Garth Sturtevant, Town Planner, presented his report and the revised draft Development Agreement for 363 Main Street, Mahone Bay to Council.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT the proposed Development Agreement for 363 Main Street be referred back to the Planning Advisory Committee for consideration of the number of special dates, whether those dates should be static and to give consideration to the proposed 8:00am opening time.”** Motion carried.

2019 Representative Volunteer

A motion by Councillor O’Neill, seconded by Councillor Carver, **“THAT Council nominate Helen Whitehouse as the Town of Mahone Bay’s Representative Volunteer for 2019 and that staff be directed to complete and submit the appropriate administrative forms to the Province of Nova Scotia.”** Motion carried.

Town Centennial Update

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT Council approve, in principle, the Centennial Program as presented and direct staff to refine the 2019 Centennial Program for presentation to Council’s March 12th, 2019 meeting. Also, that Council direct staff to identify and pursue external funding to support identified projects and develop detailed recommendations to the Town’s 2019-20 budget process.”** Motion carried.

Remuneration Policy

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor O’Neill, **“THAT at its regular meeting on February 28, 2019, after due consideration, Council adopt the Remuneration Policy as presented.”** Motion carried.

Public Participation in Planning Policy

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor O’Neill, **“THAT at its regular meeting on February 28, 2019, after due consideration, Council adopt the Public Participation in Planning Policy as amended.”** Motion carried.

Lunenburg County Accessibility Committee

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver, **“THAT Council approve the Terms of Reference for the Lunenburg County Accessibility Committee as presented.”** Motion carried.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT Council appoint Councillor Feeney and Councillor Carver (alternate) to serve on the Lunenburg County Accessibility Committee, in accordance with the Terms of Reference.”** Motion carried.

Cemetery Bylaw – 2nd Reading

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Carver, **“THAT Council give second reading to and adopt the amended Cemetery Bylaw.”** Motion carried.

Council Items

Committee Appointments

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT Michael Allen be appointed as the Nova Scotia Department of Environment’s representative on the Oakland Lake Watershed Advisory Committee.”** Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Bain, **“THAT Councillor Michael Ernst and Jeff Merrill be appointed as the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg’s representative on the Oakland Lake Watershed Advisory Committee.”** Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Bain, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT Bill DeGrace be appointed as the Mahone bay Founders Society’s representative on the Heritage Advisory Committee.”** Motion carried.

Acting Mayor Appointment

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Nowe, **“THAT Councillor Bain be appointed as Acting Mayor for the Town of Mahone Bay starting the 28th of February until the 21st of March.”** Motion carried.

Call for Committee Members – Age Friendly Committee

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor O’Neill, **“THAT Council direct staff to re-advertise the openings for committee members for the Age Friendly Committee.** Motion carried.

Climate

A motion by Councillor O’Neill, seconded by Councillor Carver:

WHEREAS the Town of Mahone Bay is on track to meet all provincial targets in terms of renewable energy, and as such is a leader amongst town governments in Nova Scotia; and,

WHEREAS we - along with all residents of Planet Earth - are faced with a climate emergency, as recently recognized by the City of Halifax; and,

WHEREAS the IPCC has issued a special report on the impacts of global warming of 1.5 °C above pre- industrial levels *vis-à-vis* greenhouse gas emissions and which sets out foreseeable and preventable climate-change related outcomes of grave importance to coastal communities and thus enables the Town of Mahone Bay to prepare for and to take them into account as part of its decision-making process; and,

WHEREAS the Town of Mahone is currently considering several major capital projects and is presented with opportunities to institute climate-neutral building and long-term management practices; and,

WHEREAS the Town of Mahone Bay’s electrical utility currently has the capacity to supply approximately 40% of the town’s commercial and residential electricity requirements from

clean sources and there is opportunity to expand on this success in order to decrease or eliminate the CO2 emissions related to major capital assets such as a fire hall and town hall and to provide clean, carbon-neutral energy sources to its residents; and,

WHEREAS the Town of Mahone Bay has, with its recently adopted Asset Management Policy, acknowledged the importance of incorporating climate change considerations into its long-term strategic planning and budgeting; and,

WHEREAS the Town of Mahone Bay is uniquely equipped to act as a role model and change leader for other small Canadian communities;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED

THAT Council direct staff to prepare a report to be presented to Council on or before April 9th, 2019, outlining:

- **Steps the Town of Mahone Bay could undertake in order to commit to further reduce or eliminate the Town’s corporate carbon footprint as per the urgency expressed in the IPCC Report; and,**
- **Steps the Town of Mahone Bay could undertake in order to commit to further reduce or eliminate the community’s carbon footprint; and,**
- **Related budgetary implications**

Motion carried.

Pedestrian Safety

Council discussed pedestrian and crosswalk safety within the Town of Mahone Bay.

Committee Reports

Planning Advisory Board Minutes

Council received the minutes of the February 5, 2019 meeting of the Planning Advisory Board.

Police Advisory Board Minutes

Council received the minutes of the January 24, 2019 meeting of the Police Advisory Board.

NSFM – Municipal Matters Newsletter

Council received the January 23, 2019 edition of NSFM’s Municipal Matters Newsletter.

South Shore Regional Library Board Minutes

Council received the minutes of the October 17, 2018 meeting of the South Shore Regional Library Board.

Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program

Council received the Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program’s 2018 Annual Report, 2018/19 Budget to Date and the January 2019 Report.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Nauss, seconded Councillor Nowe **“THAT the committee reports be received and filed.”**

Motion carried.

Accounts

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nauss, **“THAT Council approve January’s accounts in the amount of \$322,199.68.”** **Motion carried.**

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Deputy Mayor Nauss, to enter closed session at 9:29 p.m. to discuss personnel matters as permitted by the MGANS 22(2)(c) and the acquisition, sale, lease and security of municipal property as permitted by MGANS 22(2)(a). **Motion carried.**

Staff was not present for the closed session on personnel matters.

Council returned to open session at 9:55 p.m.

A motion by Councillor Bain, seconded by Councillor O’Neill, **“THAT Council enthusiastically recognizes the end of CAO Dylan Heide’s probationary period with the Town of Mahone Bay.”** **Motion carried.**

The meeting adjourned upon motion at 9:56 p.m.

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Acting Town Clerk, Kelly Redden

Mayor, David Devenne