

A meeting of the Policy & Strategy Committee for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Monday, March 28 28, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via videoconferencing.

Present:

Mayor David Devenne  
Deputy Mayor Francis Kangata  
Councillor Alice Burdick  
Councillor Penny Carver  
Councillor Kelly Wilson  
CAO, Dylan Heide  
Clerk, Maureen Hughes

Absent: Councillor Joseph Feeney (regrets)  
Councillor Richard Nowe (regrets)

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**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**

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

**2. Minutes**

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, **“THAT the minutes of the February 28, 2022 meeting be approved as presented.”** Motion carried.

**3. Proclamation Policy**

Committee members reviewed the Town of Mahone Bay Proclamation Policy.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Councillor Wilson, **“That the committee recommend THAT Council Amend the Proclamation Policy to state that**

**Council will consider proclamations brought to Council by residents and taxpayers of the Town of Mahone Bay.”** **Motion defeated.**

#### **4. Flag Policy**

The committee discussed the Town of Mahone Bay Flag Policy.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by the Councillor Burdick, **“THAT the committee recommend that Council revise the Flag Policy to include that the Town fly the Acadia First Nations Flag on a permanent Town pole, that when applicable the Town follow the federal practice of flying the flag at half mast, that the African Nova Scotian flag be flown in the month of February, that requests from individuals will be considered, and that Council be permitted to fly specific flags at their discretion in which case the Town will assume the associated costs.”**

**Motion carried.**

#### **5. Timing of Closed Sessions**

The committee discussed the timing of closed sessions as part of Council meetings.

A motion by Councillor Burdick, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, **“THAT the Committee recommend that Council direct staff to prepare a report on the potential of adding a third monthly regular Council meeting.”** **Motion carried.**

#### **6. Next meeting**

##### **6.1 Agenda items for recommendation to Council**

A motion was passed at the March 28, 2022 regular meeting of Council, setting the agenda for the meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee to include the Review of the Strategic Plan as the sole agenda item.

##### **6.2 Date and Time**

A motion by Council Carver, seconded by Councillor Burdick, **“THAT the committee recommend that Council set the April meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee meet on April 25, 2022 to discuss the review of the Strategic Plan.”**

**Motion carried**

**With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:13 p.m.**

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Chair, Mayor David Devenne

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