

A Special Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Tuesday, March 29, 2022 at 7:00 pm via video conference.

Present:

Mayor D. Devenne Deputy Mayor F. Kangata Councillor J. Feeney Councillor A. Burdick Councillor P. Carver Councillor R. Nowe Councillor K. Wilson CAO, D. Heide Town Clerk & Dep. CAO, M. Hughes

# Absent:

Gallery: online

# 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.

## <u>1. Agenda</u>

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT the agenda be approved as presented." Motion carried.

## 2. Pre-Budget Discussion

Council discussed anticipated revenues and expenditures to be addressed in the upcoming 2022/23 budget and ways in which they would like staff to approach the 2022/23 budget process to mitigate the tax burden for rate payers in Mahone Bay.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to present the 2022/23 Budget with no increase in tax rate or fire tax rate and general operating expenditures increased by not more than 10% over prior year." Motion carried. 3. ICIP Priorities Resolution

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Burdick,

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the *Town of Mahone Bay* submit the project titled: *Main Street East Water and Wastewater Rehabilitation and Extension (Priority #1)* for funding through the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Environmental Quality Stream;* and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council supports the project and commits to provide its share *\$462,725 + HST* toward the \$1,735,000 + HST project cost.

AND, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the *Town of Mahone Bay* submit the project titled: Main Street West Water and Wastewater Rehabilitation and Improvement *(Priority #2)* for funding through the *Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program – Green Environmental Quality Stream;* and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council supports the project and commits to provide its share *\$1,422,845 + HST* toward the \$1,735,000 + HST project cost.

and directs staff to submit the necessary applications to the Nova Scotia Department of Municipal Affairs by the April 1, 2022 deadline. Motion carried.

4. Federal Active Transportation Fund Application

Council received a staff report regarding a proposed application to the Federal Active Transportation Fund Application.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, "BE IT RESOLVED THAT the *Town of Mahone Bay* submit the project titled: *Edgewater Street Active Transportation Trail Project* for funding through the *Federal Active Transportation Fund;* and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT Council supports the project and commits to provide its share *\$571,200+HST* toward the *\$1,428,00 + HST* project cost. "

Motion carried.

# 5. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council go into Closed Session at 8:58 pm to discuss contract negotiations as permitted by MGA section 22(2)(e)." Motion carried. Council returned to open session at 9:14 pm.

**Business Arising from Closed Session** 

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, "THAT Council direct staff to accept the proposal from BFL for cyber-security insurance in the amount of \$12,743." Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Burdick, seconded by Councillor Wilson, "THAT Council approve change orders 27, 28, and 29 on the Fire Hall project." Motion carried.

Council adjourned upon motion at 9:19 pm.

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Mayor, David Devenne

Clerk, Maureen Hughes