

The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday, June 30, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. broadcast via YouTube live.

Present:

Deputy Mayor F. Kangata
Councillor P. Carver
Councillor J. Feeney
Councillor R. Nowe
Councillor K. Wilson
Town Clerk and Deputy CAO, M. Hughes
Deputy Clerk, K. Redden

Absent: Mayor D. Devenne (regrets)

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.

1. Agenda

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

Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the minutes of the June 14, 2022 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT the minutes of the June 17, 2022 special meeting of Council be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the minutes of the June 24, 2022 special meeting of Council be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

3. Presentations

No presentations.

<u>4. Correspondence – Action</u>

<u>4.1 Val Hearder, Talking Trees – Town Trees</u>

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council direct staff to prepare a response to Ms. Hearder identifying the information that can be found on the Town's website in respect to the questions raised and identifying the recent development of the Town's Climate and Environment Committee to address the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Plan including the action respecting Net Zero tree loss."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council forward the letter from Ms. Hearder, with the Response from the Town, to the Climate and Environment Committee."

Motion carried.

<u>5. Correspondence – Information Items</u>

5.1 NSFM - Monday Memo - June 13, 2022

5.2 NSFM - Monday Memo - June 20, 2022

5.3 Paula Lessard – Traffic noise

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT correspondence items number 5.1 to 5.3 be received and filed."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council direct staff to send Paula Lessard a letter with thanks for sending in comments."

Motion carried.

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Council Report

Council received the Staff Report to Council for June 30, 2022.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the report be received for information."

Motion carried.

6.2 Flag Policy

Council received a staff report to accompany a draft amended Flag Policy as directed by Council.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council approve the Mayor to send a letter on behalf of Council to Chief Deborah Robinson of the Acadia First Nation indicating Council's intent to fly a flag to honour the Indigenous people of Mi'kma'ki and requesting the advice of the Acadia First Nation Council as to the appropriate flag."

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to order three (3) commercial flagpole(s) for installation on Edgewater Street with costs to be reflected in the 2022-23 annual budget."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council direct staff to add the amended Flag Flying Policy, further amended to reflect the federal guidelines on half-masting on the day of a memorial service and wording regarding the opportunity for an individual to request a flag be flown, to a Council agenda when feedback has been received from the Acadia First Nation as to which flag is appropriate to honour the indigenous people of Mi'kma'ki."

<u>6.3 Draft Public Participation Plan – Town Logo Process</u>

Council received a draft Public Participation Plan for a process to develop a new community logo for Mahone Bay.

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to revise the draft Public Participation Plan to be reflective of Council's discussion of a steering committee, to be added to the agenda July 12, 2022 meeting of Council."

Motion carried.

6.4 Facilities Improvement for 2022-23 Budget

Council received a staff report to support the 2022-23 budget process with respect to facilities improvement.

6.5 Recreational Assets for 2022-23 Budget

Council received a staff report to support the 2022-23 budget process with respect to recreational assets.

6.6 Service Extensions for 2022-23 Budget

Council received a staff report with information for the budget regarding the extension of services to currently unserved or partially served areas of Town.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council refer items 6.4, 6.5, and 6.6 to the budget meeting scheduled for July 14th." Motion carried. 7. Council Items

No Council items.

8. Committee Reports

No committee reports.

9. New Business

No new business.

10. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council go into closed session at 8:22 pm to discuss contract negotiations as permitted by MGA section 22(2)(e)."

Motion carried.

Council returned to open session at 8:41 pm.

Business Arising from Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council direct staff to remove the dilapidated fence bordering the sports field by the Mahone Bay Centre and write a letter to advise the adjacent property owner of this action."

Motion carried.

Council adjourned upon motion at 8:42 pm.

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