

The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday, November 24, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers and broadcast via YouTube live.

Present:

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

Absent: CAO D. Heide (regrets)

Gallery: Online & 0 in-person gallery

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 Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT the agenda be approved as amended to add a verbal report about public transit and feedback from recent meeting about the shared building inspection function.

Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the minutes of the November 8, 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 November 18, 2022 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

3. Presentations

Dean Waterfield, of the Mahone Bay Community Land Cooperative, gave a presentation to introduce Council to this newly formed Cooperative, and discuss the Cooperative's potential interest in the old firehall.

<u>4. Correspondence – Action</u>

4.1 Rev. Patti Brace, St. James Parish Council – Crosswalk Request

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council refer the request for a Truth and Reconciliation crosswalk to the traffic authority, and that the traffic authority report back to Council to include discussion with the local First Nation Community and an appropriate painted surface."

Motion carried.

4.2 Karen Pinsent, Season of Father Christmas – Rental of Portable Toilet Units for Civic Marina.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT council direct staff to provide a \$200 grant to the Season of Father Christmas to fund their general operations and ask that these requests come earlier in the fiscal year in the future."

Motion carried.

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

5.1 NSFM - Monday Memo - November 7, 2022

5.2 NSFM - Monday Memo - November 14, 2022

5.3 Nick Barr, DMAH – New Fund for the Recruitment and Retention of Healthcare Professionals

5.4 Anna Moran, Tourism Nova Scotia – Updates to Tourist Accommodations Registration Requirements

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT council refer the information on updates to tourist accommodations registration for discussion at the next meeting of the Plan Mahone Bay Steering Committee." Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council receive and file items #5.1 – 5.4."

Motion carried.

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Council Report

Council received the Staff Report to Council for November 24, 2022.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council accept the report for information."

Motion carried.

6.2 DRAFT 2023 Meeting Calendar

Council received a draft calendar with Council and committee meeting dates for 2023.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council approve the draft 2023 meeting calendar as amended."

Motion carried.

<u>6.3 Staff Memo – Plaquing Ceremony</u>

Council received a staff report explaining the cancellation of the Municipal Heritage Property Plaquing Ceremony that was scheduled to take place at Town Hall on December 2, 2022.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council defer the plaquing ceremony to a later date and refer this item back to the next meeting of the HAC for their recommendation of an alternative date."

Motion carried.

7. Council Items

7.1 Mayor DeVenne – Ministerial Appointment to Police Advisory Board

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Katherine McCarron be appointed as the provincial appointment to the town of Mahone Bay's Police Advisory Board."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council direct staff to bring more information about the role of the Police Advisory Board for discussion at a future meeting of the Policy and Strategy Committee." Motion carried.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Climate and Environment Committee

Council received the draft minutes of the November 2, 2022, meeting of the Climate & Environment Committee.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to send a letter to Samantha Battaglia, thanking her for her service on the Climate and Environment Committee."

Motion carried.

9. New Business

9.1 Public Transit

Councillor Carver gave a verbal report about a presentation given to the South Shore Housing Action Coalition by the Executive Director of the Community Transportation Network.

9.2 Shared Building Inspection Function

Councillor Carver verbal report on a meeting between Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, Municipality of the District of Chester and the Town of Mahone Bay concerning shared services for building inspections.

9.3 Notice of Motion

Councillor Wilson made a Notice of Motion that he would make or cause to be made at the next regular meeting of Council a motion recommending the deferral of the AREA Board dividend payment.

10. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Wilson, at 8:51pm, seconded by Councillor Carver, to go into Closed Session to discuss legal advice eligible for solicitor-client privilege as permitted by the Municipal Government Act section 22(2)(g).

Motion carried.

Council returned to Open Session at 9:04 pm.

Council adjourned upon motion at 9:04 pm.

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