



The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday July 9, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers and broadcast via YouTube live.

Present:

Mayor David Devenne
Deputy Mayor F. Kangata
Councillor P. Carver
Councillor J. Feeney
Councillor S. Lohnes-Croft
Councillor R. Nowe
Councillor K. Wilson
CAO, D. Heide
Deputy CAO, E. Levy

Absent:

Town Clerk, K. Munroe (with regrets)

Gallery:

Online & 1 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 Nowe, "THAT the agenda be approved as presented with the addition of an Information Item under New Business."
Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, seconded by Councillor Wilson, "THAT the minutes of the June 27, 2024 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented."
Motion carried.

3. Public Input Session

4. Presentations

4.1 Nancy Green, South Shore Housing Action Coalition (SSHAC)

Nancy Green presented on various topics related to housing in the area including, affordability, human rights, and non-market housing options.

5. Correspondence

No correspondence.

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Staff Report to Council

Council received the July 9, 2024 Staff Report to Council.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, “THAT the Town initiate an event similar to the Mahone Bay Day that was held during the centennial, with a budget of \$2,500. Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, “THAT the July 9, 2024 Staff Report to Council be received and filed.” Motion carried.

6.2 Staff Report – Park Cemetery Expansion

Council received a staff report with a request from staff to increase allocation for the short-term expansion of Park Cemetery.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Feeney, “THAT Council increase the allocation for short-term expansion in the 2024-25 Park Cemetery budget to \$25,000.” Motion carried.

7 Council Items

7.1 Councillor Carver

Councillor Carver made a notice of motion at Council’s June 27, 2024 meeting concerning pedestrian safety at the intersection of Main Street and Clearway Street.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, “THAT Council direct staff to investigate safety concerns that have been reported in relation to the intersection at Main and Clearway Streets, and to report to Council on what might be done to address these concerns.” Motion carried.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Cemetery Committee

Council received the draft minutes of the June 27, 2024 meeting of the Cemetery Committee as well as an associated draft amended Cemetery Bylaw.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Council give first reading to the amended Cemetery Bylaw as presented."

Motion carried.

8.2 Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program

Council received the June 2024 monthly report of the Senior Safety Program.

8.3 Climate & Environment Advisory Committee

Council received the draft minutes of the July 3, 2024 meeting of the Climate & Environment Advisory Committee.

9. New Business

9.1 Councillor Carver – Information Item

Councillor Carver thanked staff and Council members who participated in the Communities in Bloom evaluation day.

10. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Wilson, at 8:41 p.m., seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, "THAT Council go into Closed Session to discuss Acquisition, Sale, Lease and Security of Municipal Property and Contract Negotiations and as permitted by the Municipal Government Act section 22(2)(a) and 22(2)(e) respectively."

Motion carried.

Council arose from closed session at 9:47p.m.

Business Arising

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the Mayor be directed to sign the agreement of purchase and sale with respect to the acquisition of watershed lands."

Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 9:51 p.m. on conclusion of business.

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