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The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday September 26, 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  
Town Clerk, K. Munroe

Absent:

Deputy CAO, E. Levy (with regrets)

Gallery:

Online & 2 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 Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the agenda be approved as presented." Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT the minutes of the September 10, 2024 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented." Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT the minutes of the September 16, 2024 special meeting of Council be approved as presented." Motion carried.

### 3. Public Input Session

Tami Turner of 228 Hawthorn Road presented the letter that appears as item 5.4 on this agenda.

### 4. Presentations

No presentations.

### 5. Correspondence

#### 5.1 Nancy Green, South Shore Housing Action Coalition (SSHAC)

Council received a follow up letter concerning a presentation given at Council's September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting. The letter included a list of housing resources.

#### 5.2 Department of Justice

Council received a Policing Service Recipient Update from the Department of Justice.

#### 5.3 Michael Brown, President, Royal Canadian Legion Mahone Bay Branch 49

Council received a request from Michael Brown for a donation to help support the Legion's Remembrance Day luncheon.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Council direct staff to forward a donation in the amount of \$250 to the Royal Canadian Legion Mahone Bay Branch 49 to support the 2024 Remembrance Day luncheon, to be funded through the Town's grant budget." Motion carried.

#### 5.4 Tami and Tom Turner

Council received a follow-up from Tami and Tom Turner reiterating their concerns voiced during the Public Input Session at Council's September 10<sup>th</sup> meeting.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council direct staff to send the letter as drafted to Tami and Tom Turner." Motion carried.

#### 5.5 Debra Featherby, Lunenburg County Wheels

Council received a letter, on behalf of the Board of Directors for Lunenburg County Wheels, thanking them for the grant that was provided to the organization this year.

#### 5.6 Christine Hiltz, Chair, Mahone Bay Tourism & Chamber of Commerce (MBTCC)

Council received a request from the MBTCC to place a Driftwood Monster in the Aquatic Gardens Park.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, "THAT Council direct staff to prepare a staff report concerning the proposal of installing a Driftwood

Monster in the Aquatic Gardens, and that the Mahone Bay Garden Club be consulted.”  
Motion carried.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Councillor Wilson, “THAT items 5.1, 5.2, and 5.5 be received and filed.”  
Motion carried.

## 6. Staff Reports

### 6.1 Staff Report to Council

Council received the September 26, 2024 Staff Report to Council.

A motion by Deputy Mayor Kangata, seconded by Councillor Feeney, “THAT item 6.1 be received for information.”  
Motion carried.

### 6.2 Staff Report – IT Update (Memo to MJSB Meeting September 25<sup>th</sup>)

Council received a staff report from Liza Bozek, Director of ITSS, with updates concerning what the department has been working on.

### 6.3 Staff Report – Emergency Measure Update

Council received a staff report updating Council on the progress of the opening of a Comfort Centre at the Mahone Bay Fire Station and to present Council with an agreement between the Town and the MacLeod Group (Nursing Home) for the relocation of residents during evacuation.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, “THAT Council enter into the Emergency Relocation Agreement with the MacLeod Group.”  
Motion carried.

### 6.4 Staff Report – Data Sharing Agreement, Short Term Rentals (STR's)

Council received a staff report presenting them with an Information Sharing Agreement with the Province of Nova Scotia related to Short Term Rental Registration and to seek a motion to enter into the agreement.

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Carver, “THAT Council enter into the Short Term Data (STR) Data Sharing Agreement with the Province of Nova Scotia.”  
Motion carried.

## 7 Council Items

No Council items.

## 8. Committee Reports

### 8.1 Heritage Advisory Committee

Council received the draft minutes of the September 11, 2024 meeting of the Heritage Advisory Committee.

8.2 South Shore Open Doors Association (SSODA)

Council received the August 2024 monthly update from SSODA.

9. New Business

No new business.

10. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Feeney, at 7:52 p.m., seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council go into Closed Session to discuss Contract Negotiations as permitted by the Municipal Government Act section 22 (2)(e)." Motion carried.

Council arose from closed session at 8:55 p.m.

Business Arising

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Deputy Mayor Kangata, "THAT Council accept the assignment of the AREA Services Contract with the Riverport Electric Light Commission to the Town of Mahone Bay." Motion carried.

Council adjourned at 8:56 p.m. on conclusion of business.

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