

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Minutes of a Meeting of the Policy & Strategy Committee

Held in Council Chambers 10 Allée Champlain Drive Cookville
Tuesday, July 18, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.

Attendance

Deputy Mayor Pam Hubley, District 4, Chair
Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Councillor Leitha Haysom, District 1
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Wendy Oickle, District 3
Councillor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Sandra Statton, District 6
Councillor Kacy DeLong, District 8
Councillor Reid Whynot, District 9
Councillor Chasidy Veinotte, District 10, Vice Chair

Regrets

Councillor Michelle Greek, District 7

Staff

Alex Dumaresq, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Tina Robichaud-Bond, Acting Municipal Clerk
Jennifer Harrietha, Administrative Assistant

1. Call to Order

Deputy Mayor Hubley called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. and began by acknowledging that the meeting was held in Mi'kma'ki, the traditional territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

2. Announcements, Acknowledgements, Recognition

Councillor Bell advised that Firefighter/MFR Frances Ruby Fraser with 55 years service to Conquerall Bank Fire Department and retired Fire Chief Robert Lloyd Haughn, with 50 years service to Pleasantville & District Fire Department had stepped down from their volunteer service.

3. Public Input - Nil

4. Changes/Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Veinotte that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

5. Approval of Minutes

Moved by Councillor Haysom, seconded by Councillor DeLong that the Minutes of the May 16, 2023 Policy & Strategy Committee meeting be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

6. Business Arising from Minutes - Nil

7. Presentations – Nil

8. Referral from Council – Nil

9. Staff Reports

9.1.1 Amendments MODL Policy 058 Fees

Mr. Dumaresq reviewed the report, “Amendments to the Fees Policy – MODL 058” (circulated with the agenda), providing details on proposed amendment.

Moved by Councillor Veinotte, seconded by Councillor Haysom that the Policy & Strategy Committee recommend to Council that Municipal Council accept the proposed amendments to Policy 058, Fees as presented and hereby gives seven (7) days’ notice of its intention to approve the proposed amendments at the July 25, 2023 Council meeting. Carried unanimously.

9.2.1 Public Survey on Local Food Security

Abhi Jain, Climate Change and Sustainability Manager, and Mark Strickland, Business Development Officer, reviewed the report, “Public Survey on Local Food Security” (circulated with the agenda), providing details on the upcoming public survey on local food security,

It was noted that the survey would gather important information and provide support for local food security initiatives in the Local Climate Change Action Plan 2030 and Economic Development Strategic Action Plan 2023-2028.

Mr. Jain and Mr. Strickland left the meeting.

10. Mayor’s/Deputy Mayor’s/Councillors’ Matters

10.1 Student Safety along Highway 208, New Germany

Councillor Moore advised that residents in New Germany were concerned with the safety of school aged children walking to and from the schools. She reported that requests were received to paint a crosswalk and install a flashing light at the intersection of Highway 208 and School Street.

It was noted that the Department of Public Works would require a formal request from the Municipality in order to do an assessment.

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Bell that the Policy and Strategy Committee recommend to Council that Municipal Council write a letter to the provincial minister responsible for Public Works, Kim Masland, requesting a crosswalk be located on School Street, and further that flashing light be installed on the corner of highway 208 and School Street in New Germany. Carried unanimously.

10.2 Pedestrian Safety along Highway 325, Wileville

Councillor Oickle advised that a request was received to install pedestrian crossing lights at the new traffic lights installed at the intersection of Logan Road and William Wile Road in Wileville.

It was noted that a study would be required as to the number of pedestrians before moving forward with the installation of pedestrian lights.

Moved by Councillor Oickle, seconded by Councillor Haysom that the Policy and Strategy Committee recommend to Council that Municipal Council write a letter to the provincial minister responsible for Public Works, Kim Masland, requesting pedestrian lights be installed at the intersection of Logan Road and William Wile Road, in Wileville. Carried unanimously.

The committee requested that the letter also be copied to the local MLA.

11. Added Items – Nil

12. In Camera - Nil

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, at 9:39 a.m., the meeting adjourned.