

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF LUNENBURG
Minutes of a Meeting of
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Held in Council Chamber, 210 Aberdeen Road, Bridgewater, NS
Tuesday, November 27, 2018 – 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Eric Hustvedt, District 1
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Lee Nauss, District 3
Councillor John Veinot, District 4
Councillor Claudette Garland, District 6
Councillor Wade Carver, District 7
Councillor Michael Ernst, District 8
Councillor Reid Whynot, District 9
Councillor Errol Knickle, District 10

Staff: Kevin Malloy, Chief Administrative Officer
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Sherry Conrad, Municipal Clerk
Sarah Kucharski, Communications Officer
Tina Robichaud-Bond, Executive Assistant

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bolivar-Getson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

2. ANNOUNCEMENTS/ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/RECOGNITION

Mayor Bolivar-Getson asked for a moment of silence in remembrance of four-year old McCali Cormier of Yarmouth, Nova Scotia.

3. PUBLIC INPUT

Gary Ramey, Hebbville – Mr. Ramey attended public input to provide information on a property he owns on the Italy Cross Road. He reported that he began constructing a road through a subdivision three years ago, and recent changes to the subdivision by-laws have affected his ability to complete the road. He asked that he be given approval to complete construction of the road under the previous by-law. Mr. Ramey referred to a letter he wrote to Council and asked that he be provided with a response within one month.

Mayor Bolivar-Getson agreed that a response would be provided within the timeframe requested.

Lennis Corkum, Newburne – Mr. Corkum attended public input to speak to a road that, in the past, was considered to be a public road. He made reference to a book that contains historical information and provides evidence that the road is a public road. He requested that the CAO and Mayor review the book and arrange a time to meet with him to discuss it further.

Terry Dorey, Walden – Mr. Dorey was in attendance at public input to speak to the Sherbrooke Lake Road, also known as Sherbrooke Dam Road. Mr. Dorey left a copy of a book which he suggested has historical and back up information proving that the road was and is still now a public road, and asked that Council review it. He requested that the book be returned to him by April 1, 2019.

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 13, 2018

Moved by Councillor Hustvedt, seconded by Councillor Ernst that the Minutes of November 13, 2018 Council meeting be approved as circulated.

Councillor Ernst requested that his question be answered regarding whether the landowners in the Sherbrooke Lake area who abut the right of way have been notified of the Sherbrooke Lake development plans. He was advised that staff would confirm.

The Motion on the floor was voted on and carried unanimously.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES (Nil)

7. AWARDING OF TENDERS/RFPs (Nil)

8. PRESENTATIONS/SCHEDULED TIMES

8.1 Taming the Octopus

Bernice Williams, Bernice Williams Consulting, and Penny Carver, Councillor for the Town of Mahone Bay, were in attendance.

Ms. Carver provided information on how the name “Taming the Octopus” was coined. She explained that the Taming the Octopus project was put into place to find ways to provide better ways to communicate with residents.

Ms. Williams explained that she had been hired to do research on the various ways units are now communicating with residents and to determine which ways are working. She requested that the Municipality provide support to the project by making large print photocopies and being the drop-off and pick-up location for residents. She further requested that Councillors become involved by speaking with their constituents and promoting the project. She suggested that Councillors contact her to discuss the project in greater detail.

Ms. Williams advised that the timeline for the project is to have the research completed by the end of January 2019 and project completed by April 2019.

Council agreed to provide the staff time required to make photocopies and to provide a contact staff person. It was asked that Ms. Williams’ contact information be circulated to all Council.

9. **CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE (Nil)**

10. **RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES & BOARDS**

10.1 **Policy & Strategy Committee**

10.1.1 **Hillside Cemetery, MARC**

Moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Policy & Strategy Committee and approve the installation of a monument and an interpretive sign at the Hillside Cemetery (MARC) in recognition of those buried on the site as follows:

Monument Granite boulder with a brass plaque. Text as follows:

**HILLSIDE CEMETERY
THIS MEMORIAL IS DEDICATED TO
THE RESIDENTS WHO LIVED AND PASSED
AT THE
LUNENBURG MUNICIPAL HOSPITAL
AND WERE BURIED HERE
BETWEEN 1904 AND 1959
REMEMBRANCE PLACED 2018 BY THE
MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF LUNENBURG**

Interpretive Sign

Weather resistant, 40 x 30" angled sign on two 38" steel posts, bolted to a concrete base. Details attached.

Site Layout

Monument to be placed to the left of the cemetery gate or inside the fenced area facing the trail/service/road. Interpretive sign to be installed to the right of the cemetery gate facing the trail/service road. Site sketch attached.

It was suggested that aluminum posts be used in the design rather than steel posts.

The Motion on the floor was voted on and carried unanimously.

10.2 **Nominating Committee**

10.2.1 **Appointments to Planning Advisory & Area Advisory Committees**

Moved by Councillor Hustvedt, seconded by Councillor Ernst that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoint the following slate of applicants to the respective Area Advisory Committees, each individual for a two-year term ending November 2020:

Blockhouse Area Advisory Committee

**Milton Countway
John Croft
Jason Martell
Paul Young**

Hebville Area Advisory Committee

**Paul Fynes
Carol Hutton
Ian Tufts**

Hemford Forest Area Advisory Committee

**George Bell
Bruce Dickinson
Steve Gendron
Alan Tippett**

Oakland Area Advisory Committee

**Tom Lockwood
Geoff MacDonald
Ron Myers
Bill Scott**

Riverport & District Area Advisory Committee

Barry Olivella

Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and appoint Ms. April Whynot-Lohnes and Mr. Peter Simpson to serve as members-at-large on the Planning Advisory Committee, each individual for a two-year term ending November 2020. Carried Unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Knickle, seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Nominating Committee and direct staff to work towards the integration of area advisory committees identified in District 8, being the Oakland, Blockhouse & Princes Inlet Area Advisory Committees, with a report to the Planning Advisory Committee by May 2019. Carried Unanimously.

10.3 Fire & Emergency Services Committee**10.3.1 Support of Resolution regarding Fire Dispatch Services**

Chris Kennedy, Fire Services Coordinator, was in attendance.

Mr. Kennedy reported that the Fire Services Association of Nova Scotia (FSANS) asked for support from Council to have the matter of a central dispatch service added to the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities' (NSFM) agenda for discussion. Mr. Kennedy advised that FSANS

is the voice for the Fire Services in the province and that each Fire Services organization has a director who reports to FSANS. He noted that the local Fire Services organization recently elected Chief Michael Nauss as the new Director. The matter was taken to the Fire & Emergency Services Committee (FESC) where the following recommendation was made:

“that Council support the Fire Service Association of Nova Scotia’s ‘A Resolution regarding Fire Dispatch Services in Nova Scotia’ with the additional wording from Lunenburg Regional Fire & Emergency Services for “direct consultation with the stakeholders (Fire Service Providers) on each step of the discussion”.

Concern was raised that a consultation process with all the stakeholders would slow down the process. It was noted that FSANS has communications specialists and qualified individuals on the committee, and that Council should support the committee as well as a central dispatch centre but without consultation with the stakeholders.

It was noted that the original motion at the Lunenburg Regional Fire & Emergency Services (LRFES) did not include the additional wording as noted above.

Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Whynot that Municipal Council support the Fire Service Association of Nova Scotia’s ‘A Resolution regarding Fire Dispatch Services in Nova Scotia’.

Discussion followed on the advantageous and disadvantageous of consulting all the stakeholders.

The Motion was voted on and carried. Those Opposed: Councillors Ernst and Knickle

11. STAFF REPORTS

11.1 Administration Department

11.1.1 Carry Over of Vacation – CAO

Moved by Deputy Mayor Moore, seconded by Councillor Whynot that Municipal Council approve a carry over of ten days of the Chief Administrative Officer’s 2018 vacation into 2019. Carried unanimously.

A discussion followed regarding the policy for carrying over vacation.

11.2 Planning Department

11.2.1 Appointment of Building Officials

Moved by Councillor Veinot, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council appoint the following qualified individuals as Building Officials for the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg: Brent Haase, Erin Schurman-Kolb, Earl Woodworth, and Kyle Whynot.

It was noted that the *Nova Scotia Building Act* requires that Council appoint building officials.

The Motion on the floor was voted on and carried. Those Opposed: Councillors Knickle and Veinot.

12. MAYOR'S/DEPUTY MAYOR'S/COUNCILLORS' MATTERS

12.1 Update – Deputy Mayor

Deputy Mayor Moore reported that she had attended various Internet Chats, represented the Mayor at the Town Hall meet and greet in Lunenburg, attended the Northfield Fireman's Banquet, and the penny auction in Hemford.

12.2 Update – Mayor

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reported that she had attended the YGYI meetings in Mahone Bay and New Germany; the Internet Chats in Lunenburg and the LCLC; the Lunenburg and Bridgewater Christmas parades; a tree lighting in New Germany; NSFM conference call with Mayors & Wardens; attended a meeting with senior staff from TIR and Nova Scotia Lands, the Deputy Minister, Paula Flesh, and Develop NS; Breakfast with the Grinch; Tri-District Firehall banquet and awards presentation.

13. IN CAMERA (Nil)

14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at 10:35 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Whynot that the meeting adjourn. Carried.