

MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF LUNENBURG
Minutes of a Meeting of
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
Held in Council Chamber, 210 Aberdeen Road, Bridgewater, NS
Tuesday, December 10, 2019 – 9:00 a.m.

ATTENDANCE

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Eric Hustvedt, District 1
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Lee Nauss, District 3
Councillor John Veinot, District 4
Councillor Cathy Moore, District 5
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: Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy CAO
Sherry Conrad, Municipal Clerk
Sarah Kucharski, Communications Officer
Tina Robichaud-Bond, Recording Secretary

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bolivar-Getson 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

2.1 Sovereign Medal for Volunteers – Greg Selig

Mayor Bolivar-Getson congratulated and presented Greg Selig of New Germany with the 2019 Sovereign Medal for Volunteers.

2.2 Volunteer Fire Fighter Service Award – 50 Years – Terrance Wilkie

Mayor Bolivar-Getson recognized and presented Terrance (Terry) Wilkie of Spectacle Lakes, a member of the Dayspring & District Fire Department, with the 50 Year Fire Service Award.

Councillor Ernst recognized the Town of Mahone Bay for a successful Father Christmas Reindeer Run. He also reported that the Town of Mahone Bay was planning to build a new fire department station within the next two years.

3. PUBLIC INPUT (Nil)

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES – November 26, 2019

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Carver that the Minutes of the November 26, 2019 Council meeting be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES (Nil)**7. AWARDING OF TENDERS/RFPs (Nil)****9. CONSIDERATION OF CORRESPONDENCE (Nil)****10. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEES & BOARDS****10.1 Finance Committee****10.1.1 Proposed Sewer Rates – 5 Year Rate Review**

Elana Wentzell, Director of Finance, was in attendance.

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve the proposed Sewer Rates of \$0.43/\$100 assessment Global and \$0.25/\$100 assessment Hebbville effective April 1, 2020.

A discussion followed regarding the sewer rates.

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

10.1.2 Sponsorship Ad Grant – HB Studios

Moved by Deputy Mayor Hustvedt, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve a \$500 Sponsorship Ad Grant to HB Studios Sports Centre for MODL to become a bronze sign sponsor in the Facility. Carried unanimously.

10.1.3 Sponsorship Ad Grant – Bridgewater Legion, Branch #24

Moved by Councillor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve the Sponsorship Ad request of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch #24 for \$125 to host the 2020 Nova Scotia-Nunavut Legion Provincial Curling Championships at the Bridgewater Curling Club from January 17 – 19, 2020. Carried unanimously.

10.1.4 2020/21 Student and Temporary Work Placements

Moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Garland that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and approve the following new student and term positions for employment during the 2020/21 fiscal year:

- **1 term planning position to support the Partners for Climate Protection Process; and,**
- **1 Co-op term position for the implementation of the Fire Recruitment and Retention Strategy.**

Carried unanimously.

10.1.5 Policy MDL-53 Funding Electrical Connections for Community Generators

Moved by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee and award \$8,000 in funding to the Walden Fire Department for the replacement of a generator at their facility, with \$6,000 in funds coming from the Comfort Centre Generator Fund and \$2,000 from the Council Contingency Account.

It was requested that the matter of the theft of the generator be added to the next Police Advisory Board agenda for an update on the investigation.

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

8. PRESENTATIONS/SCHEDULED TIMES

8.1 New Municipal Building – Update – Andrew Amos

Andrew Amos, Project Manager, Catalyst Engineering; Ashley Logie, CEO, Roscoe Construction; and Stephen Pace, Director of Engineering & Public Works, were in attendance.

Mr. Amos provided an update on the municipal building construction and advised that all sub-contractors involved, except for the truss manufacturer, had met their schedules.

Mr. Logie reported that the first two phases of the project were almost complete, and Phase 3 would commence in the new year, upon receipt of the trusses. He advised that a projection date of when the building would be roof tight was difficult to determine until the Phase 3 trusses were received. He further reported that delays were also due to the inability to find reliable labourers. He noted that a new sub-contractor had been hired.

A question arose regarding the absence of a fire suppression system in the new municipal building. It was requested that Council be given a report on the cost of a system and the reason for it not being included in the new building. Mr. Amos advised that the Building Code did not require a fire suppression system and, due to this fact and the cost of a system, the decision was made to not include it in the design for the new building. He noted that if a system were included at this point in the construction, the cost would be much higher.

It was noted that this matter had been brought up at previous meetings and no action was taken to incorporate into the plan.

Mr. Amos, Mr. Logie, and Mr. Pace left the meeting.

Dave Waters, Director of Business Development, Tourism and Infrastructure joined the meeting.

11. STAFF REPORTS

11.1 Planning & Development Department

11.1.1 Request to Levy Private Road Maintenance Charge Natural Forest Lake Road Association

Norma Schiefer, Development Officer, was in attendance.

Ms. Schiefer reviewed her report, "Request to Levy Private Road Maintenance Charge – Natural Forest Lake Road Association" (circulated with the Agenda) and advised that all criteria of the By-law had been met.

Moved by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council levy a maintenance charge within the Charge Area identified by the Natural Forest Lake Road Association as follows:

- **A uniform amount per lot**

With the 2020-21 charge being set at:

- **\$350.00 per lot**

Subject to an Agreement being entered into between the Municipality and the Natural Forest Lake Road Association that satisfies the requirements of clause 3.1(e) of the By-law Respecting the Maintenance and Improvement of Private Streets. Carried unanimously.

11.1.2 Letter of Concurrence – MDL-69 Antenna Siting Protocol

Ms. Schiefer reviewed her report, "Letter of Concurrence – MDL-69 Antenna Siting Protocol" (circulated with the Agenda), advising that TNC Wireless had fulfilled the requirements of the Protocol.

Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Whynot that Municipal Council issue a Letter of Concurrence for the internet tower at 181 Ishmael Smith Road, Hemford as the application has met the requirements of MDL-69 Antenna Siting Protocol. Carried unanimously.

Ms. Wentzell and Mr. Waters left the meeting.

12. MAYOR'S/DEPUTY MAYOR'S/COUNCILLORS' MATTERS**12.1 Update – Deputy Mayor**

Deputy Mayor Hustvedt reported that he attended the annual Lunenburg Town Reception for new residents; a REMO meeting; and agenda briefings.

12.2 Update – Mayor

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reported that she attended a public meeting regarding the flood risk assessment and mitigation study; the Lunenburg Parade and the Christmas on the LaHave Parade in Bridgewater; interviews for the LCLC General Manager position; the Exit Realty Christmas party; the Father Christmas Festival; the opening ceremonies for the Halifax Thunderbirds Lacrosse game; the New Germany Christmas Festival; and several craft shows, community breakfasts and teas.

13. ADDED ITEMS**14. IN CAMERA**

At 10:13 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council go In Camera to discuss the following items:

- 14.1 Contract Negotiations re LCLC under Section 22(2)(e) of the MGA**
- 14.2 Land Negotiations re Osprey Village under Section 22(2)(a) of the MGA**
- 14.3 Land Negotiations re Osprey Village under Section 22(2)(a) of the MGA**
- 14.4 Personnel Matter Update re MJSB under Section 22(2)(c) of the MGA**
- 14.5 Legal Advice re Tancook under Section 22(2)(g) of the MGA**

Carried.

Municipal Council In Camera in session.

At 10:55 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council come out of In Camera and return to open session. Carried.

Municipal Council in session.

A request was made to add an item to the In Camera agenda.

Moved by Councillor Veinot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Hustvedt that item 14.6 Land Negotiations re Covenants PID 60489549 under Section 22(2)(a) of the MGA be added to the In Camera agenda. Carried.

At 10:56 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Nauss, seconded by Councillor Carver that Municipal Council go In Camera to discuss the added item. Carried.

Municipal Council In Camera in session.

At 11:15 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Carver that Municipal Council come out of In Camera and return to open session. Carried.

Council in regular session.

Moved by Councillor Garland, seconded by Councillor Nauss that Municipal Council direct the Mayor and CAO to sign a Release of Covenants for PID # 60489549 as satisfactory to the municipal solicitor. Carried unanimously.

15. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business at 11:17 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Moore that the meeting adjourn. Carried.