

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Minutes of a Meeting of Municipal Council

Held via Video and Audio Conference

Tuesday, June 22, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.

Attendance

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Leitha Haysom, District 1
Councillor Wendy Oickle, District 3
Councillor Pam Hubley, District 4
Councillor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Sandra Statton, District 6 (arrived at 9:39 a.m.)
Councillor Michelle Greek, District 7
Councillor Kacy DeLong, District 8
Councillor Reid Whynot, District 9
Councillor Chasidy Veinotte, District 10

Staff

Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy CAO
Elana Wentzell, Director of Finance
Bill Schurman, Director of Recreation Services
Dave Waters, Director of Business Development, Tourism & Infrastructure
Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning & Development Services
Mark Strickland, Business Development Officer
Norma Schieffer, Development Officer
Darren Shupe, Senior Planner
Byung Jun Kang, Planner
Angela Veinot, Accounting Manager
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. 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 National Indigenous History Day – June 21, 2021

Mayor Bolivar-Getson advised that June 21, 2021 was recognized as National Indigenous History Day. She explained that the recognition was to celebrate the First Nations, Inuit, and

Metis Indigenous peoples. She noted that the Panikiskiaq Pathway, a nature path developed at the MARC, would officially open on July 1st.

3. Approval of Agenda

It was requested that the following items be added to the Agenda:

- LCLC Update
- Land Negotiations re Sale of Land at Osprey Village under Section 22(2)(a) of the MGA

Councillor Veinotte advised that she would be declaring a Conflict of Interest on Item 10.1.2 Annual Operating & Major Recreation Capital Grants.

Moved by Councillor Oickle, seconded by Councillor DeLong that the Agenda be approved with the addition of the following items:

- 1. LCLC Update**
- 2. Land Negotiations re Sale of Land at Osprey Village**

Carried unanimously.

- 4. Approval Of Minutes – Special Council – April 20, 2021; Public Hearing and Council – ~~May 25, 2021~~ June 8, 2021**

Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Councillor Moore that the Minutes of the Special Council meeting of April 20, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

Moved by Councillor Veinotte, seconded by Councillor Oickle that the Public Hearing and the Council meeting of ~~May 25, 2021~~ June 8, 2021 be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

- 5. Business Arising from Minutes (Nil)**

- 6. Awarding of Tenders/RFPs**

- 6.1 Award of RFQ #2020-01-304 Dangerous Premise Clean Up**

Mr. Merrill reviewed his report, “RFQ2020-01-304 Quote Recommendation” (circulated with the Agenda).

2021-108 Moved by Councillor Oickle, seconded by Councillor Greek that Municipal Council award the Request for Quotation 2020-01-304 Dangerous Premise Clean Up to 3339128 Nova Scotia Limited o/a Sincen Int’l Properties for the remedy of the property located at Mines 2 Road, Hebbs Cross, PID 60293511 in the amount of \$4,700.00 plus \$705.00 HST for a total price of \$5,405.00. Carried Unanimously.

- 8. Consideration of Correspondence (Nil)**

- 9. Recommendations from Committees & Boards (Nil)**

10. Staff Reports

10.1 Recreation Department

10.1.1 Designated Community Fund – South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail Assoc.

2021-109 Moved by Councillor Moore, seconded by Councillor Greek that the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg grant the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail Association \$2,911.62 as per the criteria outlined in the Designated Community Project Fund Policy MODL 048. Carried unanimously.

10.1.2 Annual Operating & Major Recreation Capital Grants

Councillor Veinotte declared a Conflict of Interest and removed herself from participation in the meeting.

2021-110 Moved by Councillor Haysom, seconded by Councillor Hubley that Municipal Council approve the applications for the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Grant Program in the amount of \$40,500, as presented. Carried unanimously.

2021-111 Moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Haysom that Municipal Council approve the applications for the 2021-2022 Major Recreation Capital Grant Program in the amount of \$19,500, as presented. Carried unanimously.

2021-112 Moved by Deputy Mayor Bell, seconded by Councillor DeLong that Municipal Council, under MODL Policy 043, approve the late application received from the Lunenburg Art Gallery Society for the 2021-2022 Annual Operating Grant Program in the amount of \$1,500, as presented, and approve the late applications received from Central Nova ATV and Union Church of Indian Point for the 2021-2022 Major Recreation Capital Grant Program in the amount of \$15,500, as presented. Carried unanimously.

Councillor Veinotte returned to participate in the meeting.

7. Presentations/Scheduled Times

7.1 Next Ride NS

Brendan Piper, Electric Vehicle Engagement Specialist, Clean Foundation, and Robert Purcell, Electric Vehicle Engagement Officer, Clean Foundation, were in attendance.

Mr. Piper gave a presentation on “Electric Vehicles in Nova Scotia” (circulated with the Agenda) and provided details on the following 3 aspects of electric vehicles:

- Financial
- Emissions
- Charging Infrastructure

Mr. Piper advised that information regarding each brand of vehicle could be found at www.evassist.ca.

Discussions followed on the following:

- Leadership
- Marketing the vehicles
- How charging stations work
- Cost of charging stations vs charging at home
- Environmental cost of batteries
- Upgrades to power grid
- Nova Scotia Power's Smart Charge Pilot Program
- Disposal of electric vehicles
- Emergency plan for electric vehicles

It was noted that electric vehicles pose risks to emergency personnel as they need to be treated differently in emergency situations, and that training was required for first responders. Mr. Piper advised that he would provide information on training programs.

11. Mayor's/Deputy Mayor's/Councillors' Matters

11.1 Deputy Mayor's Update

Deputy Mayor Bell reported that he attended weekly Council updates; the CAO Evaluation Committee meeting; a funding announcement at MODL; and helped with garbage cleanup.

11.3 LCLC Update (Added Item)

Councillor Hubley provided an update on the following matters from the June 17, 2021 LCLC Board meeting:

- Financial statements to May 31, 2021
- Aquatic revenue
- Website re-design
- Connect 2Rec registration portal
- National Health & Fitness Day
- Bike launch
- Re-opening of the LCLC
- Ice rentals
- ICIP grant/tender package
- Building Repairs
- Water damage & Insurance Claim

11.2 Mayor's Update

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reported that she attended a meeting with the French school; a round table discussion on affordable housing; a discussion on the proposed PVEC theatre; the NSFMM meeting; meeting with the Community & Development person, Linnea Swinemar; the German flag raising; the MODL 2040 Visioning Part I workshop; workshops on grants; the Federal/Provincial/Municipal announcement re the water tower; the opening of the nature pathway at the MARC; and regular Council meetings. She also gave Canada Day greetings and congratulatory greetings to the 2021 graduates.

12. Added Items (Nil)

13. In Camera

At 10:16 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Councillor Whynot that Municipal Council go In Camera to discuss the following items:

13.1 Litigation Matter re Legal Advice on Application for Judicial Review under Section 22(2)(f) of the MGA

13.2 Litigation Matter under Section 22(2)(f) of the MGA

13.3 Land Negotiations re Sale of Land at Osprey Village under section 22(2)(a) of the MGA (Added Item)

Carried.

Municipal Council In Camera in session.

At 11:41 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Haysom that Municipal Council come out of In Camera and return to open session. Carried.

Municipal Council in session.

14. Adjournment

There being no further business at 11:42 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Bell that the meeting adjourn. Carried.