

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Minutes of a Special Meeting of Municipal Council

Held in Council Chamber, 10 Allée Champlain Drive, Cookville, NS
Tuesday, May 10, 2022 – 6:30 p.m.

Attendance

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Leitha Haysom, District 1
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Wendy Oickle, District 3
Councillor Pam Hubleby, District 4
Councillor Sandra Statton, District 6
Councillor Michelle Greek, District 7
Councillor Kacy DeLong, District 8
Councillor Reid Whynot, District 9
Councillor Chasidy Veinotte, District 10 (via Teams)

Staff

Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer
Alex Dumaresq, Deputy CAO
Bill Schurman, Direction of Recreation, Parks & Tourism
Dave Waters, Director of Economic Development (via Teams)
Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning & Development Services (via Teams)
Stephen Pace, Director of Engineering & Public Works (via Teams)
Angela Veinot, Accounts Manager
April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk
Sarah Kucharski, Manager, Corporate Services & Communications
Tina Robichaud-Bond, Executive Assistant

1. Call to Order

Mayor Bolivar-Getson called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and began by acknowledging that the meeting was held in Mi'kma'ki, the traditional territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

2. Approval of Agenda

Moved by Councillor DeLong, seconded by Councillor Oickle that the Agenda be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

3. Opening Remarks

Mayor Bolivar-Getson gave opening remarks regarding the 2022/2023 Operating and Capital budget.

4. Presentation

4.1 Draft 2022/2023 MODL Operating and Capital Budget Presentation

Ms. Wentzell gave a presentation on the 2022/2023 Operating and Capital Budgets (presentation circulated with the Agenda).

The following topics were noted as part of the presentation:

- 2022/2023 Budget Overview
- Key Themes & Successes
- Assessment Trends & Issues
- Budget Highlights
- Budget Details
- Strategic Priorities

4.1.1 2022/2023 Strategic Priorities

2022-085 Moved by Councillor Haysom, seconded by Councillor DeLong that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Strategic Priorities, as presented. Carried unanimously.

4.1.2 2022/2023 Operating Budget

2022-086 Moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Operating Budget in the amount of \$35,604,600. Carried unanimously.

4.1.3 2022/2023 Residential Tax Rate

2022-087 Moved by Councillor Bell, seconded by Councillor Whynot that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Residential Tax Rate of \$0.81 per \$100 of assessment. Carried unanimously.

4.1.4 2022/2023 Commercial Tax Rate

2022-088 Moved by Councillor DeLong, seconded by Councillor Hubley that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Commercial Tax Rate of \$1.957 per \$100 of assessment. Carried unanimously.

4.1.5 2022/2023 Seasonal Commercial Tax Rate

2022-089 Moved by Councillor Statton, seconded by Councillor Greek that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Seasonal Commercial Tax Rate at \$1.468 per \$100 of assessment. Carried unanimously.

4.1.6 2022/2023 Capital Budget and Canada Community Building Fund Investment

2022-090 Moved by Councillor Greek, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Capital Budget and Canada Community Building Fund Investment in the amount of \$8,897,500 and the 5-Year Capital Plan. Carried unanimously.

4.1.7 2022/2023 Reserves Transfers

2022-091 Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Reserves Transfers including interest as noted in the 5-Year Financial Plan. Carried unanimously.

4.1.8 2022/2023 Hebbville Area Rates

2022-092 Moved by Councillor Oickle, seconded by Councillor Haysom that Municipal Council approve the 2022/2023 Flat Fee Area Rate of \$10 per residential and commercial property in the Village of Hebbville on behalf of the Village Commission. Carried unanimously.

5. Staff Reports

5.1 Finance Committee

5.1.1 Draft 2022/2023 Budget Key Messages

Reviewed under agenda Item 4.1.

5.1.2 Draft 2022/2023 Operating and Capital Budgets and Municipal Tax Rates

Reviewed under agenda Item 4.1.

6. Closing Remarks

Mayor Bolivar-Getson gave closing remarks regarding the 2022/2023 Operating and Capital Budget.

Council and staff were thanked for their work to create and finalize the 2022/2023 MODL Budget.

7. Adjournment

There being no further business at 7:16 p.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Haysom that the meeting adjourn. Carried.