

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg

Minutes of a Meeting of Municipal Council

Held via audio & video conferencing
Tuesday, January 25, 2022 – 9:00 a.m.

Attendance

Mayor Carolyn Bolivar-Getson
Deputy Mayor Cathy Moore, District 5
Councillor Martin Bell, District 2
Councillor Wendy Oickle, District 3
Councillor Pam Hubley, 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

Regrets

Councillor Leitha Haysom, District 1

Staff

Tom MacEwan, Chief Administrative Officer
Dave Waters, Director of Economic Development
Elana Wentzell, Director of Finance
Jeff Merrill, Director of Planning & Development Services
Bill Schurman, Director of Recreation Services
Darren Shupe, Senior Planner
Mark Strickland, Business Development Officer
Byung Jun Kang, Planner
Norma Schieffer, Development Officer
April Whynot-Lohnes, Municipal Clerk
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

Councillor Oickle recognized and thanked Glenn, Marilyn, and Matthew Hebb and the Jonathan David Wayne Lewis Foundation for their collaboration on the Indian Garden Farms Hiking Trail. The 5kms trail opened in January 2022.

3. Approval of Agenda

Mr. MacEwan requested that the following two items be added to the In Camera portion of the agenda:

- 13.2 Contract Negotiations re Osprey Village Golf Course under Section 22(2)(e) of the MGA
- 13.3 Litigation Matter re Town & Country under Section 22(2)(f) of the MGA

Moved by Councillor Hubley, seconded by Deputy Mayor Moore that the Agenda be approved with the addition of Item 13.2 Contract Negotiations re Osprey Village Golf Course and Item 13.3 Litigation Matter re Town & Country. Carried unanimously.

4. Approval of Minutes – Public Hearing & Council of December 14, 2021; Council of January 11, 2022

Moved by Councillor Veinotte, seconded by Councillor Statton that the Minutes of the Public Hearing and Council meeting of December 14, 2021, and the Minutes of the Council meeting of January 11, 2022 be approved as circulated. Carried unanimously.

- 5. Business arising from Minutes – Nil
- 6. Awarding of Tenders/RFPs – Nil
- 8. Consideration of Correspondence – Nil
- 9. Recommendations from Committees & Boards – Nil
- 10. Staff Reports
- 10.1 Planning & Development Department
- 10.1.1 Rocky Lake Charge Area – Approval of Annual Budget

Ms. Schiefer reviewed her report, “Approve Annual Budget of the Rocky Lake Charge Area” (circulated with the Agenda).

2022-005 Moved by Councillor Oickle, seconded by Councillor Bell that Municipal Council approve the annual budget for the Rocky Lake Charge Area, as per the Agreement dated March 25, 2021 between the Municipality and the Applicant, David Sutherland, with the 2022-2023 charge being set at:

- \$300 per lot – fulltime resident
- \$200 per lot – seasonal resident
- \$100 per lot – vacant land. Carried unanimously.

10.1.2 Bruhm Lane Property Owners Assoc. – Request to Levy Charge

Ms. Schiefer reviewed her report, “Request to Levy Private Road Maintenance Charge – Bruhm Lane Property Owners Association” (circulated with the Agenda).

2022-006 Moved by Councillor Greek, seconded by Councillor DeLong that Municipal Council levy a maintenance charge within the Charge Area identified by the Bruhm Lane Property Owners Association as a uniform amount per lot with the 2022-2023 charge being set at \$250 per lot, subject to an agreement being entered into between the Municipality and the Bruhm Lane Property Owners Association that satisfies the requirements of Section 9 of the Private Roads By-law. Carried unanimously.

10.2 Administration Department

10.2.1 Proposed Amendments to MDL Policy 035 Streetlights Policy

Ms. Whynot-Lohnes reviewed her report, "Proposed Amendments to Policy 035 Streetlights Policy", (circulated with the Agenda).

2022-007 Moved by Deputy Mayor Moore, seconded by Councillor Hubley that Municipal Council approve the proposed amendments to Policy 035 Streetlights, as presented, and hereby gives seven (7) days' notice of Council's intention to approve the proposed amendments to Policy 035 at the February 8, 2022 Council meeting. Carried unanimously.

7. Presentations/Scheduled Times

7.1 Plastics in Organics Stream

Stephanie Smits, Supervisor-Outreach & Communications, MJSB, was in attendance.

Ms. Smits gave a presentation on "Compost Contamination" (circulated with the Agenda), providing details on the following contamination issues found in compost:

- Compostable, bio-degradable and oxo-biodegradable bags
- Paper cup contamination
- Organics screener

Ms. Smits explained that even though compostable waste is put through the organics screener, there is still amounts of plastic (mostly from compostable and bio-degradable bags) left in the compost. The plan to remedy this issue was to create an outreach and education plan which included reaching out to the major sources of the contaminates and to educate the public on the use of compostable plastic bags and proper sorting.

It was noted that since plastic grocery bags were banned, there was a noticeable reduction in the amount of plastic in the organics stream.

Ms. Smits left the meeting.

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

11.1 LCLC Update

Councillor Hubley provided an update on the Lunenburg County Multi-purpose Lifestyle Community Centre as follows:

- Aged receivables and financial statements ending October 31, 2021
- Dehumidification project
- Capital & operating budgets for 2022/23
- Food services contract with Fancy Pants Café
- Events & Marketing position
- Membership fees reviewed
- COVID related cancellations
- Program attendance
- Effects of COVID restrictions
- Lumberjacks season

It was noted that the COVID screening checkpoint was again put in place at the LCLC.

11.2 Deputy Mayor's Update

Deputy Mayor Moore reported that she attended to cheque signing; resident phone calls; and received updates from Mayor and CAO.

11.3 Mayor's Update

Mayor Bolivar-Getson reported that she attended a special MJSB meeting; the REMO Advisory meeting; the Flood Risk Workshop; GM review meeting; and the LCLC meeting.

12. Added Items

The following items were added to the In Camera portion of the agenda:

- 13.2 Contract Negotiations re Osprey Village under Section 22(2)(e) of the MGA
- 13.3 Litigation re Town & Country under Section 22(2)(f) of the MGA

13. In Camera

At 9:52 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Hubley that Municipal Council go In Camera to discuss the following items:

- 13.1 Contract Negotiations re MJSB under Section 22(2)(e) of the MGA**
- 13.2 Contract Negotiations re Osprey Village under Section 22(2)(e) of the MGA**
- 13.3 Litigation re Town & Country under Section 22(2)(f) of the MGA**

Carried.

Municipal Council In Camera in session.

At 11:12 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor Oickle 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 11:13 a.m., it was moved by Councillor Whynot, seconded by Councillor DeLong that the meeting adjourn. Carried.