

The Regular Meeting of Town Council for the Town of Mahone Bay was held on Thursday June 11, 2024 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers and broadcast via YouTube live.

Present:

Mayor David Devenne
Councillor P. Carver
Councillor J. Feeney
Councillor S. Lohnes-Croft
Councillor R. Nowe
Councillor K. Wilson
CAO, D. Heide
Deputy CAO, E. Levy CAO

Absent:

Town Clerk, K. Munroe (with regrets)
Deputy Mayor F. Kangata (with regrets)

Gallery:

Online & 10 in-person gallery

Land Acknowledgement

Let us begin by acknowledging that we are gathered today in Mi'kma'ki. The ancestral, present and future territory of the Mi'kmaw people. Today, we gather with the intent followed by the living Peace and Friendship Treaties - with respect, cooperation and coexistence.

<u>1. Agenda</u>

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the agenda of the June 11, 2024 regular meeting of Council be approved as amended to remove item 4.1."

Motion carried.

2. Minutes

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT the minutes of the May 30, 2024 regular meeting of Council be approved as presented."

Motion carried.

3. Public Input Session

No public input

4. Presentations

4.1 Nick Pavlinic

Mr. Pavlinic presented some potential amendments to the Land Use Bylaw and Municipal Planning Strategy as they may relate to Hawthorn Road. The planners will follow up on Mr. Pavlinic's application with a report to an upcoming meeting of Council.

5. Correspondence

5.1 Leslie McFarlane, COO, MJSB

Council received correspondence from Leslie McFarlane, COO of MJSB (Municipal Joint Services Board), with a request to approve a new MJSB Agreement and associated schedules.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council approve the MJSB agreement, Schedule 1: Waste Management Shared Service, Schedule 2: Information Technology Shared Service, Schedule 3: Human Resources Shared Service, Schedule 4: Occupational health and Safety Shared Service." Motion carried.

5.2 Scott Tanner, Chair, Three Churches Foundation

Council received correspondence from Scott Tanner, Chair of the Three Churches Foundation with a thank you to Council for support of their foundation through the Town's Grants to Organizations program.

5.3 Georgia West

Council received correspondence from resident Georgia West, requesting reimbursement for damage done to her property during winter snow removal.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council authorize the appropriate payment to Georgia West as outlined in the correspondence."

Motion carried.

5.4 Donna Mossman

Council received correspondence from resident Donna Mossman with recommendations concerning the planned upgrades/repairs to the Town's comfort stations.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council direct staff to respond to the correspondence that the comfort station will be closed as of November 1 and also send the letter Mahone Bay Tourism and Chamber of Commerce as well as to the Mahone Bay Signature Festivals Society." Motion carried.

5.5 Dan Beaudreau, President, Bridgewater Legion Branch #24

Council received correspondence from Dan Beaudreau, President of the Bridgewater Legion, requesting permission for the annual Remembrance Day Flyby.

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Mayor send a letter of support for the low-level flyby on Remembrance Day 2024."

Motion carried.

5.6 Karen Pinsent, Mahone Bay Signature Festivals Society

Council received a Grants to Organizations request from the Mahone Bay Signature Festivals Society to support Communities in Bloom

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Wilson, "THAT Council approve the grant in the amount of \$400 to come from the unallocated grant fund."

Motion carried.

6. Staff Reports

6.1 Staff Report to Council

Council received the June 11, 2024 Staff Report to Council.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT the June 11, 2024 Staff Report to Council be received and filed."

Motion carried.

6.2 Staff Report - BSP Application

Council received a Staff Report seeking direction from Council to apply for funding from the 2024 Beautification and Streetscaping Program from the Province of Nova Scotia to support the Edgewater Revitalization Project.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to apply to the 2024 Beautification and Streetscaping Program for funding to support the Edgewater Revitalization Project."

Motion carried.

6.3 Staff Report - PCAP Application

Council received a Staff Report to present them with a recommendation to apply to the 2024 Provincial Capital Assistance Program (PCAP).

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Council direct staff to apply to the 2024 Provincial Capital Assistance Program for funding to support the Fairmont/Pine Grove Stormwater project."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Council direct staff to provide the requested letter of support for the Municipal Joint Service

Board's application to the 2024 Provincial Capital Assistance Program."

Motion carried.

6.4 Staff Report - Road Cost Sharing Program

Council received a Staff Report to inform them of the new cost sharing program for roads from the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works (DPW).

A motion by Councillor Carver, seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council direct staff to submit planned Main Street and Edgewater Street paving projects to the NS Department of Public Works for cost-sharing consideration under the new Provincial cost sharing program."

Motion carried.

<u>6.5 Staff Report – Pool Update</u>

Council received a Staff Report updating them on the progress of the Pool Retrofit and New Pool projects included in the 10-year Capital Investment Plan in the 2024-25 Budget.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council receive this report for information."

Motion carried.

7 Council Items

7.1 Councillor Wilson

Council received a proposed motion from Councillor Wilson concerning future ownership of the Town's Solar Garden.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to prepare a summary of the pros and cons of the two ownership scenarios for the solar facility including reference to correspondence received from the NSUARB (Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board) in this regard, and that this summary be provided to inform discussion at a special meeting of Council to be held not later than June 21st."

Motion carried.

8. Committee Reports

8.1 Policy & Strategy Committee

Council received the draft minutes of the May 27, 2024 meeting of the Policy & Strategy Committee.

A motion by Councillor Nowe, seconded by Councillor Carver, "THAT Council direct staff to amend the Noise Bylaw as discussed to be presented to Council for First Reading at the June 27, 2024 meeting."

Motion carried.

A motion COuncillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Lohnes-Croft, "THAT Council direct staff to amend the Parking Bylaw as discussed to be presented to Council for First Reading at the June 27, 2024 meeting."

Motion carried.

A motion by Councillor Wilson, seconded by Councillor Feeney, "THAT Council direct staff to inform the Planning Advisory Committee that Council appreciates the recommendation relating to the Edgewater Street Living Shoreline Project and to share the CBCL design brief with the Committee for feedback."

Motion carried.

8.2 Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program

Council received the May 2024 monthly report of the Lunenburg County Senior Safety Program.

Councillor Lohnes-Croft, seconded by Councillor Wilson, "THAT Council receive and file the report"

Motion Carried

9. New Business

No new business.

10. Closed Session

A motion by Councillor Feeney, at 8:12 p.m., seconded by Councillor Nowe, "THAT Council go into Closed Session to discuss Acquisition, Sale, Lease and Security of Municipal Property, Contract Negotiations and Legal Advice Eligible for Solicitor-Client Privilege as permitted by the Municipal Government Act sections 22(2)(a), 22(2)(e), and 22(2)(g) respectively."

11. Business Arising

Council arose from closed session at 9:26 p.m..

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Wilson, "THAT Council approve change order CO 02 from Vigilant in relation to the pool design contract."

Motion Carried.

A motion by Councillor Feeney, seconded by Councillor Wilson "THAT Council increase the allocation for the Municipal Specifications Project in the 2024-25 budget to \$38,000."

Motion Carried.

Council adjourned at 9:30 p.m. on conclusion of business.

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TOWN OF MAHONE BAY

Mayor, David Devenne

Town Clerk, Kelly Munroe