



COMBINED COUNCIL MINUTES  
Thursday, August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 @ 7:00 pm  
Via Zoom, Stewiacke, NS

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1. Call to Order

Mayor George Lloy called the Council Meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

2. Attendance

PRESENT:

Mayor George Lloy      Deputy Mayor Roseanne Chapman

Councillors:

Councillor Creelman  
Councillor Rogers-Laing  
Councillor Lutz

Staff:

Dale Bogle, CAO  
Randi Buchi  
Erin Richard  
Josh Hilton  
Joe Robson  
Leah Bennett

Regrets / Absent:

Councillor Commo  
Councillor Ramsey

3. Approval of / Changes to Agenda

On the motion of Councillor Rogers-Laing and Deputy Mayor Chapman:

*I so move to approve the Agenda as presented for August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Combined Council Meeting*

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4. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items

NIL

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**5. Approval of Minutes**

On the motion of Councillor Lutz and Councillor Creelman:

*I so move to approve the Minutes as presented for July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022 – Combined Council Meeting*

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**6. Announcements / Proclamations**

NIL

**7. Presentations**

NIL

**8. Written Petitions and Correspondence**

- a. NS Gaming Corp
- b. Letter to Coldstream Clear
- c. Business Micro-grants – contributes to signage and beautification of the town
- d. PVSC – Mayors and Wardens
- e. Colchester – East Hants Public Library Financial Statements
- f. CN – Extreme Weather Fire Risk Mitigation Plan

**9. Business**

- a. Staff Reports
  - i. Administration – Dale Bogle
    - Riverside/Lewis/Pleasant Hill - Next month hoping for word to go ahead
    - Well Source Study – High level view of what our water will look like and start permitting stage
    - Egress Road – St Andrews to George St or Highway 2 – RFP for Engineering closes on August 25<sup>th</sup>
    - Solar for Community Building – Currently experiencing issues with our live feed
    - Strategic Plan Review – Will discuss next month
    - Solar Initiatives -Randi and I looking at assisting residents with funding
    - Boardwalk Along River – Josh working constantly on this, working on RFP now
    - Amalgamation Review – Will discuss with Council next month

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- Town Owned Properties – George St Ext, old School lot and car pool lot (which is actually 3 acres) in which the province has agree to work with for affordable housing
- Development – So far this year, just shy of \$15 million
- Town Days – Best ever from all reports
- Splash Pad is complete and is a huge success
- Former NSLC building – Great Canadian Dollar Store going well
- FCM & NSFM looking for councillors to address letter from RCMP regarding past due raises which in NS are put onto the municipalities. Nothing we found states the municipalities are responsible to pay the retro pay.
- Deputy Mayor Chapman questioned if we are not successful in funding for Riverside, could we do it in two or 3 sections to show residents we are working on it? Maybe infrastructure first and gravel the road? CAO Bogle replied with that being a great idea but if we can only do 1 street, we would do Riverside first. Councillor Creelman questioned if we could just resurface Pleasant Hill to get through the winter as something to consider.
- Councillor Creelman questioned the NSFM reorganization and how we should handle that meeting in September? Mayor Lloy replied that he believes that is an open meeting for all members, have reached out but have not heard back as of yet.

ii. Financial

- Randi reviewed her report

iii. Recreation – Erin

- Summer Programs – great attendance
- Town Days Festival – everything went well
- Councillor Creelman wanted to acknowledge what a great job Erin did with Town Days.
- CAO Bogle – The Eastern Canadian Fast Ball championships are being held between here and Brookfield.

Recreation – Josh

- Councillor Creelman thanked Josh for all the hard work on Town Days as well.
- Councillor Creelman questioned when we will be able to break ground on the trail? Josh replied that issues coming up that are

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delaying the process. Agreements are done but have to approach land owners.

iv. Public Works

- Deputy Mayor Chapman wanted to comment on how beautiful our downtown is looking.

On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Rogers-Laing:

***I so move to receive the Staff Reports as presented for August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2022 – Combined Council Meeting***

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b. Dangerous and Unsightly Appointments

- CAO Bogle does have the authority but this is a high-level appointment and would like Council to approve.

On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Chapman:

***I so move to approve the appointments of Pat Boyce and Avery Withrow as Administrators of the Dangerous and Unsightly Policy.***

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c. Boundary Review

- Dale based on different municipalities and who reduced from 7 Council to 5 Council
- 13 would have 5 and 12 would have 7 if Stewiacke went to 5 Council
- Will defer motion until September Committee of the Whole meeting

d. Temporary Borrowing Resolution

- Mayor Lloy read the Temporary Borrowing Resolution in full
- Randi stated that all of capitol projects that we budgeted for are included but we will only have to send in one application, not necessarily going to proceed with all the projects.

On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Councillor Rogers-Laing:

***I so move to approve to pass the Temporary Borrowing Solution as presented.***

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- e. 50 St Andrew's St
- Waiting on NSPC to disconnect power and mast
  - Will meet with owner for date to proceed
  - CAO Bogle has written to the bank along with the insurance company and has yet to receive a response
  - Councillor Creelman questioned if the furnace had been taken care of? CAO Bogle stated that Jeff Sibley has taken care of that
- f. RRFB Units at Crosswalks
- Josh had taken pictures around Halifax showing how the units work and how effective they are
  - Will bring a motion of recommendation to September Committee of the Whole with the quote
- g. In-person / Hybrid Council Meetings
- Working on returning to upstairs and rearranging the room to allow in-person as well as broadcasting live with Zoom is wise from a staff perspective

#### 10. By-laws and Policies

NIL

#### 11. Citizen Comments

NIL

#### 12. Mayor Report

On behalf of Stewiacke Town Council, I sent a letter of congratulations to Olivia and Riley Giffen of Coldstream Clear Distillery as the recipients of the prestigious EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2022 Atlantic Region award. Thank you to Counselor Creelman for your input with the letter.

\*\* The Stewiacke Town Days was a tremendous success. Thank you to the volunteers, Stewiacke Fire Department, Legion, staff and sponsors. Erin Richards, thank you for going above and beyond for 4 days of the event and during the planning stages. We have amazing hard-working staff.



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I want to acknowledge that Leah Bennett our Executive Assistant to the CAO and Manager of Finance has been with us for 1 year as of August. Thank you, Leah, for all you do.

Welcome Laurel Singer who will be is on a 6 month contract as Administrative Assistant.

August 23<sup>rd</sup> The Truro & Colchester Chamber of Commerce is hosting the Stewiacke Business Breakfast @ the Stewiacke Legion.

September 7<sup>th</sup> NSFM will be hosting a special member meeting @ 6 pm.

I will be attending the Atlantic Mayors Congress in Shediac NB next week.

I have completed the Mayor update for the fall newsletter.

Weekly Monday briefing continues with Mr. Bogle.

### Deputy Mayor Report

During Town Days I attended the Foam Party and the Breakfast. I want to thank Erin, Josh and volunteers for all their hard work. Town Days was better than anyone expected! We are lucky to live in this little town.

### 13. Councillors Reports

Councillor Creelman –

Business and Tourism is working with Truro Buzz on reels of scenes around town that can be shared on FaceBook and should be launched next week.

### 14. In-Camera Session

NIL

### 15. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration

NIL

### 16. Adjournment

Called at 8:30 pm

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