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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: Chad Ramsey  
Susan Creelman

Suzanne Lutz  
Rebecca Rogers-Laing

Staff: Dale Bogle, CAO  
Randi Buchi  
Erin Richard

REGRETS / ABSENT:

3. Approval of / Changes to Agenda

On the motion of Councillor Creelman and Deputy Mayor Chapman:

***I so move to approve the Agenda as presented for February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 – Council Meeting with the changing 9.a. to 9.b.***

**MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY**

4. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items

NIL

5. Approval of Minutes from Previous Meeting(s)

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

***I so move to approve the Minutes as presented for January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023 – Council Meeting***

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6. Announcements / Proclamations

NIL



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## **7. Presentations**

### **a. CBCL – Emanuel Nicolescu**

- Summary of the open house in Stewiacke as well as update on water
- Assessment is confined to Stewiacke Town limits
- Based on Open House in December, online survey and paper format, and meeting with builders and developers around town
- Library, Fitness center, new fire department and community transit top the list
- Traffic calming and safety – Main St / Hwy 2 and Main St / Kitchener St
- Bringing shops back to Downtown area
- New traffic flow in front of Town Hall
- Assessment of new water source should have a report released soon
- Treatment station works to its expectations but it could be updated as past life expectancy
- 5 day storage capacity in town of water
- Well water much better than surface water (river)
- 88% of average daily flow was below average
- Last couple of years have seen excessive growth
- Stewiacke largest with available area with the exception of Truro
- Growth can be made to pay for growth
- Tweeking is possible at the treatment plant and the waste water plant

## **8. Written Petitions and Correspondence**

- ### **a. Letter from John Lohr – 911 Recovery Cost Fund**

## **9. Business**

### **a. Operating Budget Review**

- 2 Councillor stipends that were removed were added back in
- Insurance increasing by 14%
- No changes in water utility operating budget
- Councillor Creelman asked why regional library board is now \$0? Randi combined two sections together.
- Councillor Creelman also asked if the solar panels are on par and Randi stated that YTD it is a bit lower, but attributes that to cloud cover, and overall is pretty close.



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b. Consider Demo Order – Pat Boyce

- 101 Kitchener St – package contains documents on the state of the property and timeline of what has progressed with the property
- Discussed to extend the demolition from April 30<sup>th</sup> to June 30<sup>th</sup> and all Council agreed to extension as long as everything is completed by deadline.

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Lutz:

***I so move to approve as presented for February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 – Council Meeting, that a) the property at 101 Kitchener Street, Stewiacke is determined to be dangerous or unsightly; b) the owner (s) of 101 Kitchener St are ordered to, by June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023, demolish the house and accessory building on the property and remove the resulting debris, or if the owners do not do so, the Town may demolish the building and the costs of the demolition will be a lien against the property, with the previous date change extension.***

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**10. By-laws and Policies**

NIL

**11. Citizen Comments**

NIL

**12. Mayor Report**

10 Feb – HR Meeting with Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Creelman

11 Feb – NSCC Newcomers Breakfast

13 Feb – HR Meeting with Deputy Mayor Chapman

15 Feb – Town of Stewiacke PAC Meeting

15 Feb – Funeral for former Colchester Mayor, Bob Taylor

16 Feb – By-law & Policy Meeting

22 Feb – Co-signed with Erin applications for funding grants

This morning met with Dr Ellis MP in Truro

Thank you for the display at the Marigold lobby for the play Half Way There



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**Deputy Mayor Report**

- HR Meeting
- Rhubarb Festival Meeting
- Another HR Meeting
- PAC Meeting
- Another Rhubarb Meeting

**13. Councillors Reports**

Councillor Lutz – nothing

Councillor Rogers-Laing – nothing

Councillor Creelman – In addition to meeting I have attended with fellow Councillors, I just wanted to compliment the Public Works crew on polishing the Community Center floor, it looks great. Remind everyone about the play Half Way There at the Marigold, we have a display set up in the lobby.

Councillor Ramsey - nothing

**14. In-Camera Session**

NIL

**15. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration**

NIL

**16. Adjournment**

Adjournment called at 8:15pm.

Read and approved this 24 day of March, 2023

Mayor

CAO