



COUNCIL MINUTES
Thursday, March 24th, 2022 @ 7:00 pm
Via Zoom, Stewiacke, NS

Before we begin our meeting, we would like to acknowledge that Stewiacke is in Mi'kma'ki, the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

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 Commo
Councillor Ramsey
Councillor Rogers-Laing
Councillor Lutz

Staff:

Dale Bogle, CAO
Randi Buchi
Leah Bennett

Regrets / Absent: Councillor Creelman

3. Approval of / Changes to Agenda

Changes to Agenda for alignment of motions to match items in Business.

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Commo:

I so move to approve the Agenda as presented for March 24th, 2022 – Council Meeting with the previously mentioned changes.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

4. Disclosure of Interest on Agenda Items

NIL

5. Approval of Minutes

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

I so move to approve the Minutes as presented for February 17th, 2022 – Council Meeting

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY



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On the motion of Councillor Rogers- Laing and Councillor Ramsey:
I so move to approve the Minutes as presented for the Feb 24th, 2022 – Council Meeting

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Announcements / Proclamations

NIL

7. Presentations

- a. WSP:
Molly Noseworthy, Pat Lewis and Tim Bachiu explained how successful our water pump test was and showed graphs how it did not deplete the water table.
- b. Truro – Colchester Moving Accessibility Forward:
Jessica Ward went through the PowerPoint presentation addressing our shortcomings, our successes and improvements to be made.

8. Written Petitions and Correspondence

- a. Legion Availability

9. Business

- a. General and Water Operating Budgets

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Ramsey:
I so move to approve the 2022-2023 fiscal year expenditures in general operations totaling \$2,297,474; and

Further, that, after crediting all probable revenues of the Town for 2022-2023, the tax rates for 2022-2023 fiscal year be set as follows:

- Residential Tax Rate
 - \$1.615 per \$100.00 of Residential Assessment
- Commercial Tax Rate
 - \$3.45 per \$100.00 of Commercial Assessment

Further, that a Fire Protection Charge be set as follows:

- \$0.10 per \$100.00 of Residential and Commercial Assessment



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Further, that a Solid Waste Collection Charge be applied to residential tax bill

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OPPOSED – 1

- b. 50 St Andrew's St – Met with lawyer Monday to commence with demolition which will hopefully happen within 2 months if everything goes smoothly.
- c. Acknowledging Queens Platinum Jubilee – Consensus to bring forward in future.
- d. Rezoning KelRy form R-2 to R-3A

On the motion of Councillor Commo and Deputy Mayor Chapman:

I so move to accept the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee and give first reading to proposed amendment to the Land Use By-law to rezone from R-2 to R-3A the lot at the end of KelRy Drive off of Joffre Street (PID #21121877). Staff are hereby directed to set the date of the public hearing for this amendment.

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- e. Ukraine Flag

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

I so move to approve staff fly Ukrainian Flag at Dennis Park for appropriate amount of time as presented.

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- f. Well Water – Will move as soon as we can. Start moving on permitting and bring to Committee of the Whole as soon as possible.

By-laws and Policies

- a. HR Policy Update

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

I so move to approve the changes to the HR Policy as presented.

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b. CAO By-law

On the motion of Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Ramsey:

I so move that the by-law amendment to the Town of Stewiacke CAO Bylaw, as presented, is approved for the first reading.

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11. Citizen Comments

NIL

12. Mayor Report

March 16: Meeting in Truro with CAO Bogle, CAO Simmons & Mayor Blair.
March 21: Meeting in Stewiacke with Mayor Mills.
March 21: Zoom meeting with the Inclusion & Diversity Committee
March 23: Webinar Creative, Inclusive and Equitable Municipalities
March 23: HR meeting with Deputy Mayor Chapman and Councillor Creelman
Monday briefings with CAO Bogle
In office Wednesday mornings from 9-11am

13. Councillors Reports

Deputy Mayor Chapman –

Met with CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters who will do a presentation next month
Address time limits on presentations
Library Board Meeting
Inclusion and Diversity Meeting
HR Meeting
Webinar on Creating Inclusive and Equitable Communities

Councillor Commo –

Councillor Creelman and I met with David Phillips in respect with Business & Tourism – putting together information that we will have in the next week or two
Received a call from resident regarding garbage being dumped on George St Ext, put a call into enforcement officer for Colchester Waste, he had a look but couldn't find it.
Received a call from a resident saying there are no flags at the crosswalk by the Town Office and sometimes trucks park far out blocking the view



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Councillor Lutz –
Attended Inclusion and Diversity Meeting

14. In-Camera Session

NIL

15. Notice of Motion and Reconsideration

NIL

16. Adjournment

Called at 8:49 pm

Two handwritten signatures in black ink. The top signature is a cursive name, possibly "D. Lutz". The bottom signature is also cursive and appears to be "Sheri Lutz".

Max Sz