

**COUNCIL MEETING OF  
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2021 7:00 P.M.  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, TOWN HALL**

In attendance were Mayor Shawn Mesheau, Deputy Mayor Andrew Black and Councillors Allison Butcher, Sabine Dietz, Bill Evans, Kenneth Hicks, Bruce Phinney and Mike Tower. Also, in attendance were CAO Jamie Burke, Clerk Donna Beal, Assistant Clerk Becky Goodwin, Town Engineer Dwayne Acton, Treasurer Michael Beal, Fire Chief Craig Bowser, Senior Manager of Corporate Projects Kieran Miller, Assistant Treasurer Elizabeth Hartling and Manager of Tourism and Business Development Ron Kelly Spurles.

There was also fifteen (15) resident in attendance.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Shawn Mesheau called the meeting to order.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Mayor Shawn Mesheau acknowledged that we are located within the territory of Mi'kma'ki, the unceded, ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

#21-142 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AGENDA OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2021, AS AMENDED. MOTION CARRIED.

4. QUESTIONS PERIOD

Susan Gourley addressed Council regarding one of the top reasons birds are killed within Canada and noted that cats are the reason. She requested that the animal control by-law was reviewed and that cats are added to sections within the by-law.

5. DISCLOSURE OF INTEREST

Mayor Shawn Mesheau asked if there were any Disclosures of Interest to Declare. There were none.

6. CITIZEN OF THE YEAR PRESENTATIONS

Mayor Shawn Mesheau presented the 2021 Citizen of the Year Award to Paul and Pam Vokey for their outstanding dedication to the local Pickleball Program.

## 7. MINUTES

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council – September 9, 2021

#21-143 MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2021 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Regular Council Meeting – September 13, 2021

#21-144 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 13, 2021 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council – September 20, 2021

#21-145 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2021 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

Approval of Minutes – Special Meeting of Council – October 4, 2021

#21-146 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS THAT COUNCIL ADOPT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL OF OCTOBER 4, 2021 AS CIRCULATED. MOTION CARRIED.

## 8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Mayor Shawn Mesheau asked if there was any business arising from the minutes. There was none.

## 9. SOUTHEAST REGIONAL SERVICES

- i) Regional Service Commission

Mayor Shawn Mesheau noted that there was no meeting for the month of September.

- ii) Planning – Lori Bickford

Mayor Shawn Mesheau noted that the Report could be found on page 15 of the Council Package.

## 10. REPORTS

### A) MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Shawn Mesheau provided highlights of his Report noting that the Report could be found on page 17 of the Council Package.

### B) CAO'S REPORT

CAO Jamie Burke noted that the CAO Report could be found on page 19 of the Council Package and provided a summary noting that full details could be found in Department Reports.

### C) Finance & Administration

#### i) BILLS AND PAYROLL – SEPTEMBER

#21-147 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE BILLS AND PAYROLL FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021 AS FOLLOWS: GENERAL GOVERNMENT \$385,611.58; GENERAL CAPITAL \$35,140.25; UTILITY GOVERNMENT \$38,213.81; UTILITY CAPITAL \$167.22; AND SALARIES \$306,153.24. MOTION CARRIED.

#### ii) Report from Finance and Administration

Councillor Bill Evans noted that the Finance Report could be found on page 23 of the Council Package and gave details of the Report and noted that the Animal Control Reports were also included.

#21-148 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BILL EVANS AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ THAT COUNCIL AUTHORIZE THE ALLOCATION FOR THE SOUTH EAST REGIONAL SERVICE COMMISSION FOR THE 2022 BUDGET YEAR AS FOLLOWS: SOLID WASTE SERVICES \$106,601.00, LOCAL PLANNING \$224,745.00, REGIONAL SERVICES \$ 5,131.00, WA TRANSPOR \$ 1,587.00. MOTION CARRIED.

### D) Tourism & Business Development

#### a. Report from Tourism & Business Development

Councillor Kenneth Hicks gave a summary of the Tourism & Business Development Report found on page 31 of the Council Package.

### E) Public Property & Facilities

Town Engineer Dwayne Acton provided a brief overview of the Public Property and Facilities Report found on page 33 of the Council Package.

## F) Recreation Programs & Events

Councillor Allison Butcher provided an overview of the Recreation Programs & Events Report found on page 35 of the Council Package.

## G) Public Safety

Deputy Mayor Andrew Black provided an overview of the Public Safety Report found on page 37 of the Council Package.

## H) Policy/By-Law

Council Bruce Phinney noted that the Policy/By-Law Report could be found on page 40 of the Council Package.

#21-149 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ THAT COUNCIL GIVE SECOND READING SECTION BY SECTION TO BY-LAW NO. 279 A BY-LAW RESPECTING THE PROCEDURE AND ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL.

Public notice is hereby given that the Town Council of the Town of Sackville proposes to enact the following By-Laws:

### By-Law No. 279, A By-Law Respecting the Procedure and Organization of Council

#### Definitions

Section 1– Definitions	Section 14 - Voting
Section 2 – First Meeting Newly Elected Council	Section 15 – Conflict of Interest
Section 3 – Orientation	Section 16 - Interruptions
Section 4 – Deputy Mayor	Section 17 – By-Laws
Section 5 – Regular Meeting of Council	Section 18 – Petitions and Delegations
Section 6 – Deadline	Section 19 - Reconsideration
Section 7 – Special Meeting of Council	Section 20 - Parliamentary Rules
Section 8 – Minutes of Meetings	Section 21–Closed/In-Camera
Meetings of Council	
Section 9 – Agenda of Meetings	Section 22 – Liaison Councillors
Section 10- Information Dissemination	Section 23 – Other committees/ Boards and Reporting Positions
Section 11 – Motions	Section 24 – Rules and Regulations
Section 12 - Precedence	Section 25 – Repeal
Section 13 - Decorum	

Appendix A – Order of Business – Regular Meeting of Council

Appendix B – Liaison Categories

Appendix C – Terms of Reference Council Liaison Responsibilities

Appendix D – Boards and Committees

Town of Sackville Governance Guidelines – Sackville Sports Wall of Fame

Town of Sackville Governance Guidelines – Sackville Arts Wall

Town of Sackville Terms of Reference – Waterfowl Park Advisory Committee

Town of Sackville Terms of Reference – Climate Change Advisory Committee

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#21-150 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ THAT COUNCIL GIVE THIRD AND FINAL READING TO BY-LAW NO. 279 A BY-LAW RESPECTING THE PROCEDURE AND ORGANIZATION OF COUNCIL. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, SABINE DIETZ, BILL EVANS, KENNETH HICKS AND MICHAEL TOWER. NAY VOTE RECORDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

#21-151 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL GIVE FIRST READING IN NAME ONLY TO BY-LAW NO. 281, A BY-LAW RELATING TO THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A SPECIAL BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT AREA LEVY IN THE TOWN OF SACKVILLE. MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL ADOPT POLICY 2021-03, THE RECREATION AND SPORT SUBSIDY POLICY.

#21-152 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT COUNCIL POSTPONE THE RECREATION AND SPORT SUBSIDY POLICY, POLICY NO. 2021-05 UNTIL NOVEMBER 2021, AND DIRECT STAFF TO EXPLORE WAYS TO MAKE THE POLICY MORE FAIR AND EQUITABLE FOR OTHER RECREATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES IN OUR COMMUNITY THAT WOULD BENEFIT TAX PAYING RESIDENTS AND MAKE ACTIVE LIVING MORE AFFORDABLE, BUT WITHIN THE ALLOCATED BUDGET. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS SABINE DIETZ, KENNETH HICKS AND BRUCE PHINNEY. NAY VOTES RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. MOTION DEFEATED.

#21-153 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SABINE DIETZ AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY THAT POLICY 2021-03 THE RECREATION AND SPORT SUBSIDY POLICY BE CHANGED FROM A TWO-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM TO A ONE-YEAR PILOT PROGRAM. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS SABINE DIETZ, KENNETH HICKS AND BRUCE PHINNEY. NAY VOTES RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. MOTION DEFEATED.

#21-154 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR ALLISON BUTCHER THAT COUNCIL ADOPT POLICY 2021-03, THE RECREATION AND SPORT SUBSIDY POLICY. AYE VOTES RECORDED BY DEPUTY MAYOR ANDREW BLACK AND COUNCILLORS ALLISON BUTCHER, BILL EVANS AND MICHAEL TOWER. NAY VOTES RECORDED BY COUNCILLORS SABINE DIETZ, KENNETH HICKS AND BRUCE PHINNEY. MOTION CARRIED.

I) Human Resources

Councillor Sabine Dietz noted that the Human Resources Report could be found on page 85 of the Council Package.

J) Corporate Affairs & Strategic Development

Councillor Michael Tower provided a brief overview of key points within the Corporate Affairs and Strategic Development Report found on page 86 of the package.

11. NEW BUSINESS

Mayor Shawn Mesheau asked if there was any New Business. Councillor Sabine Dietz took a moment to acknowledge Ms. Gourley's comment at the beginning of the meeting regarding the Animal Control By-Law.

12. QUESTION PERIOD

Susan Gourley asked Council how interested they were in updated the Animal Control By-Law to include cats. Mayor Shawn Mesheau asked that she submit her information to the Clerk's Office who will provide the information to Mayor and Council.

Erica Butler asked for an update on the RCMP community engagement session. CAO Jamie Burke responded that due to the circuit breaker for Zone 1 the session was postponed and will be rescheduled when timing is appropriate.

13. ADJOURN

#21-155 MOVED BY COUNCILLOR BRUCE PHINNEY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR MICHAEL TOWER THAT COUNCIL ADJOURN THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING OF OCTOBER 12, 2021. MOTION CARRIED.

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Mayor

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Clerk

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Assistant Clerk