



**Minutes
Town of Westville
Regular Council Meeting
Council Chambers
February 22, 2021- 6:00 pm**

1. Call To Order

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

Mayor White read the Territory and African Nova Scotian Acknowledgement.

Mayor White also acknowledge the passing of Raymond Cameron and gave condolences to his wife Carol and family.

Mayor White was pleased to sign a proclamation this month honouring the 101st Anniversary of the Association of Kin Canada.

2. Roll Call

Mayor Lennie White, Deputy Mayor Meghan Bragg, Councillor Mitchell MacGregor, Councillor Clarrie MacKinnon, Councillor Betty Jean Sutherland, Chief Administrative Officer Linda Brown, Recording Secretary Kristen Reed, 3 members of Public

3. Declaration of Conflict of Interest

None

4. Approval of the Tentative Agenda

2021.02.22.241 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Bragg to approve the agenda as circulated.

Motion Unanimously Carried

5. Approval of the Minutes

a. Committee of the Whole meeting January 18, 2021

2021.02.22.242 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded by** Councillor MacGregor to approve minutes for the Committee of the Whole meeting as circulated.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b. Regular Council Meeting January 25, 2021

2021.02.22.243 Moved by Deputy Mayor Bragg, **seconded by** Councillor Sutherland to approve the minutes for the Regular Council Meeting as circulated.

Motion Unanimously Carried

6. Business Arising from the Minutes

a. Urban Deer

Town of New Glasgow is updating their bylaw. Council asked CAO Brown to follow up with them to see what they have. Council reminded everyone the main thing we can do to limit the Urban Deer is to not feed them.

7. Committee Reports

a. General Government

a.i. Mayor Lennie White

Report was attached. Highlighted the Kinsmen proclamation that was mentioned at the beginning of the meeting.

a.ii. Councillors

Deputy Mayor Meghan Bragg

Report was attached. She had been looking into old mines being used for Geothermal energy and touched base with a presenter from Spring Hill. Council asked that it be presented at a future Committee of the Whole meeting.

Councillor Mitchell MacGregor

Councillor MacGregor has had ongoing general correspondence with residents.

Air Flight 144 still has not met with none planned.

Municipal Alcohol Project discussed energy drinks by young people and Alcohol delivery.

He attended Planning Advisory Committee, Board of Police Commissioners and Committee of the Whole meetings.

He was emailed by a resident on Church Street acknowledge the great work by Public works.

Councillor Clarrie MacKinnon

Report was circulated and will put on Westville Progress site.

Groupe Savoie have had 5 weeks of good work but concerned with the Spring road closures coming up.

Councillor Betty Jean Sutherland

Councillor Sutherland attended pre Budget meetings which were very interesting, as well as Committee of the Whole, Planning Advisory Committee, and Board of Police Commissioners meetings.

Glen Haven Board meeting was held by Zoom. There are 4 members on the board. Councillor Sutherland was elected Chair and Jennifer from Trenton was elected Vice Chair. Lisa Smith, CEO, announced they are not on the list for refurbishing or rebuilding. They were on the list in 2013 but due to short listing, Glen Haven was removed.

a.iii. CAO Linda Brown

The report was attached to the agenda.

b. Protective Services

b.i. Chief of Police Report

2021.02.22.244 Moved by Councillor MacGregor, **seconded** by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Chief of Police Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b.ii. **Chief of Fire Department Report**

2021.02.22.245 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded** by Councillor Sutherland to accept the Chief of Fire Department Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Discussion took place regarding Fire Departments not being allowed to respond to medical emergencies due to lack of Specialized PPE provided by EHS. Fifteen members of Westville are medical first responders. Westville is considered low priority due to its proximity to the Aberdeen Hospital.

2021.02.22.246 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded** by Councillor Sutherland to send a letter to the Minister that our Firemen are ready and willing to attend Medical emergencies. It is also recommended that it be placed on the next Mayors and Wardens meeting agenda.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b.iii. **Animal Control Report**

2021.02.22.247 Moved by Deputy Mayor Bragg, **seconded** by Councillor MacGregor to accept the Animal Control Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

c. **Recreation, Culture & Leisure Services**

c.i. **RCLS Coordinator Report**

2021.02.22.248 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded** by Councillor MacGregor to accept the Recreation, Culture & Leisure Services Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Coldest Night of the Year Westville Team walk took place in Westville and had a good turnout.

d. **Transportation & Environmental Health Services**

d.i. **Water Report**

2021.02.22.249 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded** by Councillor MacKinnon to accept the Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

d.ii. **Public Works Report**

2021.02.22.250 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded** by Councillor Sutherland to accept the Public Works Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

d.iii. **Solid Waste Report**

2021.02.22.251 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded** by Councillor MacGregor to accept the Solid Waste Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

e. Environmental Development

e.i. Fire Inspection

2021.02.22.252 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Bragg to accept the Fire Inspection Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

e.ii. Building Inspection/Unsightly Premises

2021.02.22.253 Moved by Deputy Mayor Bragg, **seconded** by Councillor MacGregor to accept the Report as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

The Unsightly committee will be made up of just council members. The first meeting will be scheduled after snow has cleared to allow for more review of the property under review.

e.iii. Planning & Development

8. Correspondence

Municipal Affairs and Housing

The Town has received funding under the Safe Restart Agreement.

Town of Stellarton

Mayor White received a letter from Mayor MacGillivray outlining the new location of the Nova Scotia SPCA. He is hopeful when the SPCA reaches out to Westville for funding we will consider supporting the organization.

9. Finance Reports

a. General Operating Report

2021.02.22.254 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded** by Councillor MacKinnon to accept the general Financial Statements as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b. Water Financial Statements

2021.02.22.255 Moved by Councillor MacGregor, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Bragg to accept the Water Financial Statements as presented.

Motion Unanimously Carried

10. New/Unfinished Business

a. Tax Sale

2021.02.22.256 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded** by Councillor MacKinnon to award the tender of 2169 Church Street to Stephen Baynham for \$10,001.

Motion Unanimously Carried

b. Rezoning 1912 Drummond Road

2021.02.22.257 Moved by Councillor MacKinnon, **seconded by** Councillor MacGregor to accept the rezoning of 1912 Drummond Road, Westville. The property zoning will revert from Commercial/Residential to R2- Residential in accordance with the Town of Westville Land Use By-Law.

Motion Unanimously Carried

c. Water Rate Study

As per the presentation of the Water Rate Study to Council at the Committee of the Whole meeting on February 17, 2021, Council will need to make a motion to support the application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board before rate changes can be reviewed and a public hearing held.

2021.02.22.258 Moved by Councillor Sutherland, **seconded by** Councillor MacGregor that the Town of Westville apply to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board for changes in its rates for water and water service, fire protection to the Town of Westville and changes to its rules and regulations for customers served by the Westville Water Utility, as set out in the water rate study prepared by G.A. Isenor Consulting Limited in association with Blaine S. Rooney Consulting Limited.

Motion Unanimously Carried

d. Vaccine Schedule for Police Officers

2021.02.22.259 moved by Councillor MacGregor, **seconded by** Councillor Sutherland to sign and send the letter on behalf of Council.

Motion Unanimously Carried

e. Police Commissioner Appointment

The Westville Police Commission met on February 18, 2021 and unanimously passed a motion to request the appointment of Shaun MacLaughlin as Commissioner for the Westville Police Commission.

2021.02.22.260 moved by Councillor MacKinnon and **seconded by** Councillor MacGregor to accept Shaun MacLaughlin as Commissioner for the Westville Police Commission.

Motion Unanimously Carried

11. Public Engagement

12. Next Meetings

a. Police Commission Training

Westville Council Chambers
March 6, 2021 – 10am-2pm

b. Board of Police Commissioners

Westville Council Chambers
March 16, 2021 – 6:00pm

c. Committee of the Whole Meeting

Westville Council Chambers
March 22, 2021 – 6:00 pm

d. Regular Council Meeting

Westville Council Chambers
March 29, 2021 – 6:00 pm

12. Adjournment

2021.02.22.261 Moved by Councillor MacGregor, **seconded** by Deputy Mayor Bragg to adjourn at 7:13 pm.

Motion Unanimously Carried

Mayor: _____

Chief Administrative Officer: _____

Date Approved: _____