

Town of Mulgrave Meeting Minutes February 21 / 2023

Present: Mayor Chisholm, Deputy Mayor Luddington, Councillor Russell, Councillor King and CAO Gray.

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:22 pm by Mayor Chisholm.

2. Approval of Agenda / Addition of Agenda Items

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor King that the agenda be approved with the following Additions:

Meeting with Fire Department

EMO Training

Boat Complaint

Activity Report

In Camera (Personnel)

Motion Carried

3. Minutes – January 16 / 2023

Moved by Deputy Mayor Luddington, seconded by Councillor Russell that the minutes of January 16 / 2023 be approved.

Motion Carried

4. New Business / Carry Forward Business

a. Amendment to the Land-Use-By-Law (Zoning Map) – Second Reading

Council agreed to table the proposed Amendment in order to investigate the possibility of creating a buffer-zone between industrial and waterfront residential property, review potential additional land requirements for the new waste water treatment plant, and have the area surveyed /appraised.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Town of Mulgrave Council table the proposed Amendment to Land-Use By-Law (Zoning Map) to rezone a portion of property identified as PID 35097476 in the Town of Mulgrave from Industrial General (M-1) to Residential First Density (R-1) in order to evaluate other options.

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor King.

Motion Carried

- b. Swearing In of New Councillor – Amber Carrigan
Mayor Chisholm swore in Councillor Carrigan.

- c. Appointment of Councillors to Committees
Councillors were assigned to Committees, with the exception of the Guysborough County Housing Network, Strait Area Offshore Wind Task Force, Eastern Region Solid Waste Management and Guysborough County Home Support Committees. These Committees meet during the regular work day, and appointments to these Committees will be revisited.

- d. Seniors and Long-term Care Update
Received the January 2023 Bulletin from the newly formed Department of Seniors and Long-term Care.
Describes new initiatives to improve health and safety for seniors in Nova Scotia. Information included regarding other recent investments and programs, such as the Seniors Care Grant program, to help support eligible seniors to live well at home.

- e. Accessibility Plan
CAO contacted by NS Accessibility Directorate regarding Town’s Accessibility Plan. Town has applied for and received grants from the federal and provincial governments for accessible doors, ramps and washroom at the MMC.
CAO to draft Accessibility Plan and forward to Councillors on Accessibility Committee for review.

5. Reports

- a. Council Committee Report
 - ii. Library
New Chairman of the Board - Claire Rankin.
New Library in Cheticamp has opened.
Launched new wifi loan program which includes mobile devices that can be borrowed for up to four weeks and provides free unlimited access to wifi hotspots.

- b. Staff Reports
 - i. CAO
CAO highlighted several key initiatives underway including a Shared By-Law Enforcement Officer position, upcoming sale of Town properties, and progress on the Waste Water Treatment Plant Project.

 - ii. Recreation & Physical Activity
Number of grant applications have been submitted.
Seniors drop-in continues to be successful.
After-school program available 5 days a week.

iii. Public Works

Receiving biofuel deliveries twice weekly.

Transportation of Dangerous Goods / Hydrogen Sulphide and Confined Space Entry training completed for all staff.

iv. Water & Waste Water

Craig Skinner and Dennis MacIsaac passed Class 1 Waste Water Exam.

6. Approved Additions to the Agenda

Fire Department

Meeting on February 23 / 2023 at 6:00 pm.

EMO Training

Training for Councillors and staff for ISO 100 course.

Boat Complaint

Sunken boat remains near Pirate Harbour; Coast Guard to be notified.

Activity Report

Action Items to be provided monthly.

7. Next Meeting: March 6, 2023

8. Gallery

Question regarding updates from RCMP on recent vandalism cases in Town; no updates as of yet. No new information regarding potential RCMP satellite station in MMC.

9. In-Camera

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Luddington to move in camera at 7:28 pm.

Motion Carried

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Luddington to move out of in camera at 8:31 pm.

Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Town of Mulgrave Council approve the revision of the Personnel Policy as discussed in camera under Personnel Matters i.

Moved by Councillor King, seconded by Deputy Mayor Luddington.

Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Town of Mulgrave Council approve the revision of the Personnel Policy as discussed in camera under Personnel Matters ii.

Moved by Deputy Mayor Luddington, seconded by Councillor Russell.

Motion Carried

BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

The Town of Mulgrave approve the contract item as discussed in camera under item iii. Contract Negotiations.

Moved by Councillor Carrigan, seconded by Councillor King.

Motion Carried


BE IT RESOLVED THAT:

Jenna Walker be promoted to the newly-created position of Deputy CAO effective March 1, 2023.

Moved by Councillor King, seconded by Councillor Russell.

Motion Carried

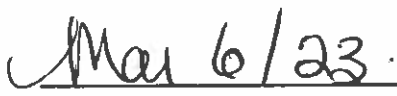
10. There being no further business, it was moved by Deputy Mayor Luddington that the meeting be adjourned at 8:33 pm.



Mayor



CAO



Date



Date