

**Town of Mulgrave
Meeting Minutes
May 1 / 2023**

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

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:31 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:

Accessibility Program

Guysborough County Home Support Agency (GCHSA)

Youth Council Update

Housing

100th Anniversary Update

In Camera - Public Safety

In Camera - Personnel

Motion Carried

3. Minutes – April 17 / 23

Moved by Deputy Mayor Luddington, seconded by Councillor Carrigan that the Minutes of April 17 / 23 be approved.

Motion Carried

4. New Business / Carry Forward Business

a. Budget 2023-2024

i) General Operating Budget 2023-2024

WHEREAS the Town of Mulgrave requires **\$1,721,335** to cover the cost of providing municipal services, after allowing for all other sources of revenue; **BE IT RESOLVED THAT** the **2023 / 2024** tax rate be applied as follows: **\$ 1.2375** per \$100 of taxable residential assessment on the assessment roll; **\$4.5257** per \$100 of taxable commercial assessment on the assessment roll; **AND** that the amount to be paid to the Mulgrave Water Utility of **\$107,793** be recovered through a levy of **\$.2015** per \$100 of assessed value in the area serviced by fire hydrants; **AND** that a rate of **\$.4510** per \$100 of assessed value in the area serviced for sanitary sewer; **AND** that each household pay a special levy of **\$135.00** per annum for solid waste collection.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mulgrave approve the **2023-2024 General Operating Budget of \$2,236,498.**

ii) Water Operating Budget 2023-2024

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mulgrave approve the **2023-2024 Water Utility Operating Budget of \$604,783.**

iii) General Capital Budget 2023-2024

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mulgrave approve the **2023-2024 General Capital Budget** as presented.

iv) Water Capital Budget 2023-2024

BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Town of Mulgrave approve the **2023-2024 Water Capital Budget of \$30,000**, including \$20,000 for the System Assessment Report (SAR), and \$10,000 for water plant filter sand.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT Town of Mulgrave Council receive an increase of 2% in honorariums effective April 1, 2023.

BE IT RESOLVED THAT non-unionized staff members of the Town of Mulgrave receive an increase of 2% in salary effective April 1, 2023.

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Carrigan.

Motion Carried

5. Reports

a. Council Committee Reports (updates where applicable)

ii. Library

Meeting April 20th re: budget.

Next meeting May 18th.

iv. Recreation / Culture

Recap of winter events, winter carnival, sledding party.

Concern re: not receiving grants for pool life guards this year; will contact MP Mike Kelloway.

Event on May 12th in partnership with Scotia Days.

6. Approved Additions to the Agenda

Accessibility Program

Automatic door openers will be installed on 6 doors this week.

Guysborough County Home Support Agency (GCHSA)

Discussed financials at last meeting; next meeting May 25th.

Youth Council Update

Victoria Cook began clearing the raised garden beds by Town Office building.
Submitted letter to Medical Centre to cover cost of garden beds in which the food pantry will cover cost of lumber.

O2 class of SAERC is volunteering its time to build the raised garden beds.

Housing

To follow up with Glenn Sterling re: meeting with owner of apartment building.

100th Anniversary Update

Funding has been requested through the Community Health Board and Department of Communities, Culture, Tourism and Heritage.

Lieutenant Governor's Community Spirit Award nominations are open until May 15th. Excellent timing to nominate the Town, given the 100th Anniversary celebrations this year.

7. Next Meeting: May 15, 2023

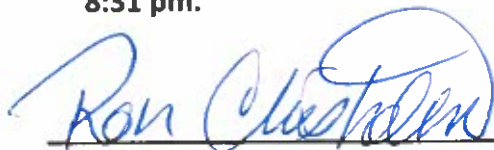
8. Gallery

Question regarding 2% raise for Council and non-union staff; CAO replied rates are based on Union Contract and reflect the tight financial environment.
Question regarding reports on vandalism issues from last fall; no reports as of yet.
Noted that there is an increased RCMP presence in town.

9. Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Carrigan to move in camera at 7:18 pm. *Motion Carried*

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Luddington to move out of in camera at 8:30 pm. *Motion Carried*

10. There being no further business, it was moved by Councillor Luddington to adjourn at 8:31 pm.



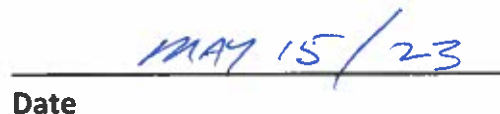
Mayor



CAO



Date



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