

**Town of Mulgrave  
Meeting Minutes  
March 3, 2025**

**Present:** Mayor Chisholm, Deputy Mayor Maas Latimer, Councillor Russell, Councillor Michel, Councillor Tate and CAO Gray.

**1. Call to Order**

Meeting called to order at 6:36 pm by Mayor Chisholm.

**2. Approval of Agenda / Addition of Agenda Items:**

**Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor Maas Latimer that the Agenda be approved with the following additions:**

- I. Update on power disconnection on Murray Street
- II. Date for Town Hall Meeting

***Motion Carried***

**3. Minutes – February 18, 2025**

Deputy Mayor noted incorrect spelling of her name; Town Hall Meeting date not confirmed.

**Minutes accepted as presented**

**4. Business Arising From Minutes**

**None**

**5. Presentations**

Coastal Nova Scotia

Presenter Kara Allen, Membership & Visitor Services Coordinator gave a power point presentation (highlighted below) and ended with a brief Q&A session:

**WHO WE ARE AND WHAT WE DO**

Coastal Nova Scotia is a registered not for profit association that represents 12 municipal units along both the Eastern and Northumberland Shores. We focus on 3 main pillars as an Association:

1. Destination Marketing Organization
2. Visitor Servicing
3. Industry Partnerships

**OUR MISSION**

Coastal Nova Scotia fosters a vibrant and sustainable region with thriving businesses, diverse communities and proud people who work together to make our entire region a favorite year-round tourism destination.

## OUR VISION

Destination Eastern and Northumberland Shores facilitates sustainable and economic tourism growth through marketing, communication and education in partnership with community

## MARKETING OPPORTUNITIES

- Website Listing
- Guidebook Listing
- Guidebook Advertising
- Special Promotional Material

## 6. New Business/Carry Forward Business

### a) Roads / Speed Bumps

Concerns were raised by Council regarding trucks speeding on Main Street, including many vehicles speeding down the hill when entering Mulgrave from the highway; question whether speed bumps on Main Street were an option. Unfortunately, since Main Street is considered a highway, speed bumps are not permitted; suggestion that we should request additional police presence; Mayor Chisholm has spoken to the owner of the company regarding the trucks speeding and the owner indicated the issue will be addressed.

### b) Permits / Licenses

Dog Licenses – Councillor Michel noticed we have Dog Licenses but there is no Revenue showing for it. Mayor Chisholm indicated we cannot enforce licensing until we have a By-Law Enforcement Officer in place. Request to have the registration process included in the Town Newsletter.

Building Permits – We do receive revenue from Building Permits; the amount is based upon the square footage of the structure.

### c) Reclamation Bonds or Security Bonds

Councillor Michel expressed concern regarding the Town's liability for costs of cleanup in the event one or more of the major projects in the area is shut down. Mayor Chisholm indicated the projects are located in Guysborough County and the responsibility would not lie with the Town. Councillor Michel also expressed concern regarding the watershed and areas near the watershed. The weight of the wind farm platforms and the depth of their base are very concerning. CAO Gray indicated the Town Hall Meeting Agenda includes the PHP Wind Farm, and we will have an opportunity to ask those questions. An Environmental Assessment of the project was completed by the Government. Councillor Michel remains very concerned about the weight of the turbines that will be coming into Mulgrave and the Old Mulgrave Road and the number of trips required. Councillor Russell explained the weight will be distributed over 38 axles and should not be hard on our roads.

d) Council Meetings & Proceedings Policy

All changes received to date have been incorporated in the attached version. Travel Policy and Credit Card Policy were passed in January. Deputy Mayor Maas Latimer identified changes required to the Travel Policy. CAO will incorporate the changes in the final version of the Travel Policy.

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

**Mayor and Council of the Town of Mulgrave approve the revised *Council Meetings and Proceedings Policy* as presented.**

**Moved by Deputy Mayor Maas Latimer and seconded by Councillor Russell  
Motion Carried**

e) NSFM Spring Conference

Deputy Mayor Maas Latimer asked whether a Council representative(s) would be attending the NSFM Spring Conference that is being held April 30 – May 2, 2025. Cost per person is approximately \$1,200 - \$1,300, including travel and accommodation. CAO will look into total cost and a decision will be made.

## 7. Reports

a. Council Committee Reports

i) Police Advisory

Meeting next month

ii) Library

Meeting March 6, 2025

iii) MARA

Meeting March 18, 2025

v) Community First – Guysborough County Housing Association

Meeting on February 27, 2025; no update at this time.

vi) Eastern Region Solid Waste Management (ERSWM)

Divert NS 2025 Champion of the Environment Scholarship

Discussion re: sharps containers and where to dispose of them.

Litter cleanup incentive.

Monitoring of public drop-off.

Next meeting: April 24, 2025 at 10:00 am.

## 8. Approved Additions to the Agenda

i) Update on power disconnection on Murray Street – CAO to follow-up with Building Inspector

ii) Date for Town Hall Meeting – March 31, 2025 at 6:00 pm.

**9. Date of Next Meeting: March 17, 2025**

**10. Gallery**

Question regarding the start date of the By-Law Enforcement Officer; CAO will check on the date.

Question regarding the timing of the Agendas; response – Wednesday.

Question regarding line markings on the roads fading quickly; Councillor Tate responded the paint on the roads is water-based, not oil-based; more environmentally friendly.

EMO Coordinator indicated the flashing speed signs have the capability for record-keeping speed and time of approaching vehicles; cost is approximately \$5,000 per sign.

EMO Coordinator provided an update on the Fire Hall; accessibility project was awarded today for upstairs bathroom; project will start in two to three weeks.

Question regarding Spring Cleanup; details will be in Spring Newsletter.

**11. In-Camera**

- i. Personnel mattes – MGA 22(2)(c)
- ii. Litigation or potential litigation – MGA 22(2)(f)

**Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Tate to move in camera at 7:31 pm.** *Motion Carried*

**Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Tate to move out of in camera at 8:21 pm.**

**BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**


**Mayor and Council of the Town of Mulgrave approve the settlement offers on claim and counterclaim as recommended by legal counsel.**

**Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Tate.**

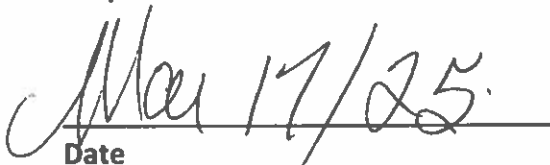
*Motion Carried*


**12. Adjournment**

**There being no further business it was moved by Councillor Tate to adjourn at 8:22 pm**

  
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