

**Town of Mulgrave
Meeting Minutes
June 3, 2024**

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

Regrets: Councillor Carrigan

1. Call to Order

Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by Mayor Chisholm.

2. Approval of Agenda / Addition of Agenda Items

Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Luddington that the Agenda be approved with the following additions:

Town Dumpster

Recreation Office

Land Use – In Camera

Labour Relations – In Camera

Motion Carried

3. Minutes – May 21, 2024

Moved by Councillor Luddington, seconded by Councillor Russell that the Minutes of May 21, 2024 be approved.

Motion Carried

4. New Business / Carried Forward Business

a. General Operating Budget 2024-2025

A few changes were made after discussions, approximately \$5600. There will be a few in-camera items which may affect the budget. CAO Gray requested to table the budget approval until June 17, 2024 meeting. Council was in agreement.

b. Water Operating Budget 2024-2025

The approval of this budget was tabled until June 17, 2024

c. General Capital Budget 2024-2025

The approval of this budget was tabled until June 17, 2024

d. Water Capital Budget 2024-2025

The approval of this budget was tabled until June 17, 2024

5. Reports

a. Council Committee Reports

i. Police Advisory

Meeting is next week

ii. Library

Meeting is at the end of the month

iii. MARA

Meeting was held on May 28, 2024. MARA approved bursaries for 2024 Grad students, they are putting in the floor on the last pergola and looking at quotes for shades to go on the tops of the pergolas

iv. Recreation / Culture

No update – meeting will happen before the end of the month

v. Guysborough County Home Support Agency (GCHSA)

No update

vi. Eastern Region Solid Waste Management (ERSWM)

Meeting was held May 30 – no update of information related to Mulgrave

6. Approved Additions to the Agenda

Town Dumpster & Garbage Issues

A notice will be put on Facebook, the Town Website & Facebook advising/reminding residents that the dumpsters at the Town Garage are for heavy/bulk items only – not residential garbage. This also applies to the garbage cans along the trail, specifically near Larry Ryan’s lift station. The cans will be removed if they continue to be used for household garbage. The Town will be looking into putting cameras at the Town Garage and signage. Councillor King suggested closing the gat at night, this is a possibility however, and it may lead to the garbage being dumped on Old Mulgrave Rd.

Recreation Office

Mayor Chisholm advised the Recreation Office would be moving downstairs to keep everyone in a central area. All of Council was in agreement.

7. Next Meeting: June 17, 2024

8. Gallery

Question regarding when bulk pick up is occurring. Mayor Chisholm advised it would be on the last Thursday of June & the last Thursday of November.

Question from resident asking if the tax rates would be changing. CAO Gray advised the budget is not approved, however, as of now the rates would be the same, with the

exception of the Waste Levy which is increasing to \$143 from the previous year's rate of \$135.

Question from resident in regards to the \$84,000 for the 'Fiona Fund' referenced at the March 18, 2024 meeting. CAO Gray advised this was an advance for accessibility improvements and hurricane preparations in case overnight stays were required for the Legion, the Fire Station & MMC.

Question from resident about land sales, wondering if they would be public. CAO Gray advised there will be a sale going to tender on commercial property in the near future. CAO Gray also outlined a few stipulations which allow the Town to sell land without going to public tender.

Question from the press to clarify the location of the dumpster. Mayor Chisholm advised it is behind the public works garage, it was there for many years and managed through regular garbage pick-up. Once the changes were made to the bulk pick-up schedule, the Town approved putting our own dumpster there. The Press also wanted to clarify the tax rates, CAO Gray advised the residential rate is 1.2375 per \$100 of assessment, the commercial is \$4.5257 per \$100 of assessment, and the sewer rate is \$0.4510 per \$100 of assessment and the fire protection rate is \$0.2015 per \$100 of assessment.

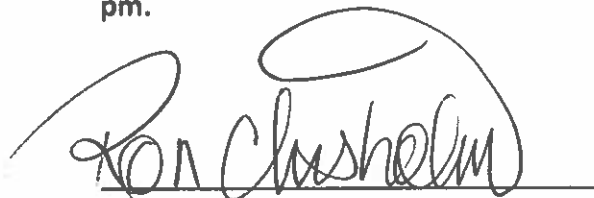
9. Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Deputy Mayor King to move in camera at @ 6:47 pm.

Motion Carried

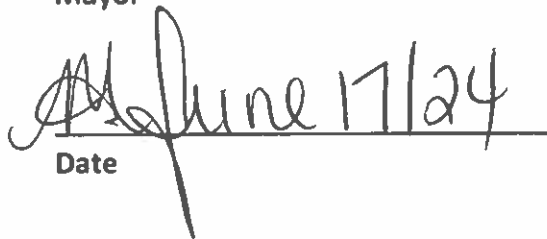
Moved by Councillor Russell, seconded by Councillor Luddington to move out of in camera at @ 7:51 pm.

Motion Carried

10. There being no further business, it was moved by Councillor Russell to adjourn at 7:53 pm.



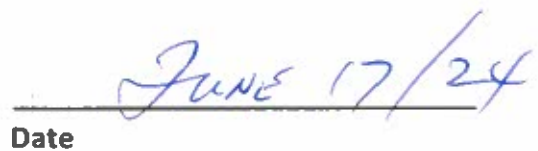
Mayor



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