

Committee of the Whole
APPROVED MINUTES
May 3, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

1. Call to Order	Deputy Mayor Tompkins read the live stream notice*, gave a land acknowledgment and called the meeting to order at 6:04 pm.
2. Present	Mayor Boyer, Deputy Mayor Tompkins, Councillor Sanford (joined virtually by Zoom), CAO Millett-Campbell, recording secretary Gear. Member of the public: Bill Crossman
3. Regrets	Councillor Hafting
4. Additions to the Agenda	i. New Business: 9.ii. Municipal Planning Strategy ii. New Business: 9.iii. Ratification of Electronic Vote, Water Pumps iii. Presentations: Small Scale Tidal Project Updates Quarterly financial report moved to May 17 Council meeting.
5. Approval of the Agenda	MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-01 It was regularly moved and seconded to approve the agenda with additions. Motion carried.
Edits to the Minutes	
6. Approval of the Minutes	MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-02 It was regularly moved and seconded to approve the minutes of April 12, 2023. Motion carried.

**Technical difficulties, outside the control of staff, resulted in no live stream of this meeting. However, a recording was made and will be uploaded to the Town's YouTube channel as soon as possible.*

7. PRESENTATIONS:

Small Scale Tidal Project Updates with Mayor Boyer and Bill Crossman

Mayor Boyer noted that the group is preparing a workplan for application to green funds through the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, which could cover up to 50% of eligible costs. What the group encountered was the need to first find someone to complete a feasibility study. Once this study is complete, then it can move into the expressions of interest (to develop an order of magnitude) phase and approach potential partners/partners could be Towns of Middleton, Kentville, Bear River FN. It was suggested including the County of Annapolis in the partner ask.

8. PUBLIC INPUT

None

9. NEW / UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- i. Request for Decision: Agreement for Pathway

CAO Millett-Campbell noted that there were multiple options presented in the meeting package. Owners of the property have requested that any agreement be seasonal and had requested broken railings be fixed by the Town. It was noted that the Town doesn't repair private property without an agreement in place. It was also noted that if the Town has an agreement with one owner, it should also have one with the other. It was

further noted that the pathway is not wheelchair accessible and that the owner with metal roof has installed a gate to be closed in winter.

MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-03

It was regularly moved and seconded to recommend to Council to enter into an agreement with the owner of 228 St. George to provide a seasonal public pathway from the parking lot (PID05003298) to St. George Street. **Motion carried.**

ii. Municipal Planning Strategy (MPS)

CAO Millett Campbell noted that under new provincial requirements, the Town must amend the MPS regarding minimum planning standards.

MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-04

It was regularly moved and seconded to recommend to Council to set the public meeting for the Municipal Planning Strategy amendment regarding the new provincial minimum planning requirements on June 6 at 9:00 am. **Motion carried.**

iii. Ratification of electronic vote, water pumps

MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-05

It was regularly moved and seconded that Council pre-approve the purchase of two 3horsepower pumps and fix the leaking units, at the water tower in Lequille, to a maximum of \$15,000 from the 2023-2024 water capital budget. **Motion carried.**

10. CORRESPONDENCE

i. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing Letter Re: Minimum Planning Requirements Extension

For information purposes, noting that the Town was given an extension until July 2023 to amend the MPS.

11. ROUND TABLE:

i. Mayor Boyer
Report attached as appendix 1

ii. Deputy Mayor Tompkins
Deputy Mayor Tompkins noted that he will not be at the Saturday Coronation event as he will be attending daughter's graduation from nursing. He further noted that at th recent MEDC meeting at the Hub, concerns were raised that the Wayne Boucher painting is having chairs rubbing against it causing damage and it was suggested to install a barrier to protect it.

iii. Councillor Hafting
None

iv. Councillor Sanford

Councillor Sanford noted that she will be missing events on Saturday. She noted that she and the Committee have been working hard with Natal Days, new activities, looking for volunteers, sending out ad requests for booklet, good theme this year too. The Committee has applied to two funders and it was suggested to apply to the County's funding programs

MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-06

It was regularly moved and seconded to move in camera to discuss previous in camera minutes, contract negotiations and a legal matter at 6:35 pm. **Motion carried.**

MOTION #CoW2023-05-03-08

It was regularly moved and seconded to move out of camera at 7:00 pm. **Motion carried.**

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm.

Michael Tompkins, Deputy Mayor

Krista Grear, Recording Secretary

APPENDIX 1

Roundtable – Mayor’s Report May 3, 2023

Assisting staff with search for funds

For seawall:

- Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund for small scale community tidal project
- New program funding to be announced (as per Matt Delorme, AIM)

For feasibility study for tidal power project

- FCM Study: Signature Initiative application for feasibility study for tidal power project
- Net-zero Atlantic: for feasibility study for tidal power project
- Sustainable Communities Challenge: for feasibility study for tidal power project
- Other municipal units and Bear River First Nation

For tidal power pilot project

- FCM Signature Project for small scale community tidal project
- Other municipal units and Bear River First Nation

May 2, 2023: Fire services negotiations with CAO

Saturday, May 6: will attend Town Crier proclamation on Coronation of the new King Charles III

Monday, May 8: will attend Zoom meeting with CAO and Matt Delorme of AIM on Annapolis Royal Coastal Flood Risk report

Twining

Student Nolan Sarrazin is supposed to arrive tomorrow. Will meet with President Christine Igot on Monday, May 8.