

TOWN OF LUNENBURG
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

June 25, 2024 | 6 pm

Lunenburg Town Hall – Council Chamber and virtually through Zoom



Present	Mayor Myra, Deputy Mayor Stephen Ernst, Councillors Peter Mosher, Ed Halverson and Melissa Duggan
Absent	Councillor Jenni Birtles
Also present	Kathleen Rafuse, Town Accountant Tyson Joyce, Director of Public Works Kelly Cunningham, Recreation Director Hilary Grant, Interim CAO Trevor Hume, Planner Kayla Byrne, Municipal Clerk
Call to Order	The meeting was called to order at 6 p.m.
Land acknowledgment	It was acknowledged that Lunenburg is located in the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.
Approval of Agenda	Moved by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Duggan, that Council approve the agenda for the June 25, 2024 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously
Approval of Minutes	Moved by Deputy Mayor Ernst, seconded by Councillor Mosher, that Council approve the June 11, 2024 meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried unanimously
Public Input	Alison Strachan thanked Council for her appointment to the Cultural Tourism Working Group and inquired about an update to the bandstand. Alex Ross spoke on their correspondence item about the lack of electric vehicle (EV) chargers within the Town of Lunenburg.
Correspondence	Council received South Shore Open Door Association's most recent statistics.

Council received a letter about public electric vehicle (EV) charging infrastructure in the Town of Lunenburg.

Property
Vegetation
Management By-
law – Public
Hearing

Following staff's report on the proposed Property Vegetation Management By-law, Council conducted a public hearing on the item. Council heard from the following members of the public:

Alison Strachan suggested there should be information on tick management.

Bubby Jackson expressed opposition to the by-law, citing possible public safety risks.

Peter Zwicker opposition to the by-law, citing possible public safety risks and diminishment of community aesthetics.

Robin Jackson expressed opposition to the by-law, citing possible public safety risks.

Teresa Quilty expressed support for the by-law without a permit system.

Jesse Ward expressed support for the by-law without a permit system.

Susan Bullis expressed opposition to the by-law.

Moved by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Halverson, that Council close the public hearing at 6:42 p.m.

Motion carried unanimously

The Mayor called a recess from 7:16 p.m. until 7:24 p.m.

Councillors asked clarifying questions and expressed concerns about the enforceability of sections of the proposed by-law.

The Mayor called a recess from 7:41 p.m. until 7:45 p.m.

Following some discussion on an overarching dangerous and unsightly premises by-law, not specifically focused on lawn vegetation, Council made the following motion:

Moved by Councillor Halverson, seconded by Councillor Duggan, that Council direct staff to explore the development of a comprehensive,

dangerous and unsightly by-law.

Motion carried unanimously

Planning Public
Participation
Policy

Moved by Councillor Halverson, seconded by Deputy Mayor Ernst, that Council approve the new Planning Public Participation Program Policy as presented, repealing and replacing Policy #65, the Planning Public Participation Program Policy.

Motion carried unanimously

Community
Grants

Moved by Councillor Mosher, seconded by Councillor Halverson, that Council award the 2024/2025 Community Grants evaluated by Option 2: considering the Amount Applied For.

Motion carried unanimously

Adjournment

There being no further business, the June 25, 2024 Council meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

The minutes were read and approved.