

TOWN OF LUNENBURG
COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
 February 28, 2023 | 6 pm
 Lunenburg Town Hall – Council Chamber



Present	Deputy Mayor Peter Mosher, Councillors Melissa Duggan, Stephen Ernst, Ed Halverson, Jenni Birtles and Susan Sanford
Absent	Mayor Matt Risser
Also present	Jamie Doyle, Chief Administrative Officer Tyson Joyce, Director of Public Works Arthur MacDonald, Director of Community Development Trevor Hume, Planning Technician Hilary Grant, Senior Planning/Heritage Officer Heather McCallum, Public Engagement Specialist Michael Best, Communications Manager Kathleen Rafuse, Town Accountant Kayla Byrne, Municipal Clerk Sgt. Kelly Plamondon, RCMP Cpl. Traci Johnston, RCMP
Call to Order	The Deputy Mayor called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.
Land acknowledgment	The Deputy Mayor recognized Lunenburg's location on the unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq people.
Approval of Agenda	Moved and seconded that Council approve the agenda for the February 28, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously
Approval of Minutes	Moved and seconded that Council approve the minutes of the February 14, 2023 meeting as presented. Motion carried unanimously
Public Hearings, Presentations and Questions	None.
2023/24 REMO Operating Budget	Council received a letter about the 2023/24 operating budget for the Lunenburg County Regional Emergency Management Organization

(REMO). This budget request will be a part of the Town’s overall 2023/24 operating budget.

Repealing of Town Policies

Moved and seconded that Council repeal the following policies:

1. Distribution of Town Pins
2. Reproduction and Use of the Town’s Flag and Logo
3. Legal Counsel for Lunenburg Council, Committee and Staff Members
4. Employment Related Sexual Harassment
5. Right to Refuse Work
6. Use of Seat Belts in Town Vehicles
7. Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law Five (5) Year Review
8. Leaf Pick-Up and Disposal
9. Tree Limb and Brush Pick-Up and Disposal
10. Oil Spill Contingency and Waste Oil Disposal Policy (For Electric Utility)
11. Insertions with Electric Light Bills
12. Covid-19 Pandemic Property Tax Financing Program
13. Lunenburg War Memorial Community Centre Accounts Receivable Billing\Accounting Procedure
14. Staff Meeting Pay Procedure
15. Returned Cheques

Motion carried unanimously

Committee Minutes, Recommendations & Notices of Motion

None.

Quarterly Police Report

RCMP Corporal Traci Johnston and Sergeant Kelly Plamondon presented a quarterly police report. Report highlights include statistics on various calls for services, staff updates and community programs.

It was noted that the Town may, at anytime, bring forward any RCMP-related priorities, requests, or areas of focus to Cpl. Johnston and Sgt. Plamondon.

Vending By-law

Moved and seconded that Council approve first reading of the Vending By-law as presented.

Motion carried unanimously

- 2022/23 Capital and Operating Budget Variance to Dec. 31, 2022 The Town Accountant summarized the 2022/23 capital and operating budget variance report, which includes capital project spending and completed projects, revenue amounts, operational financial statements, and approved grants from the Town.
- LAFF Applications As a member of the Lunenburg Curling Club, Deputy Mayor Mosher abstained from voting on the three following motions.
- Moved and seconded that Council approve the Lunenburg Curling Club's Lunenburg Athletic Facility Fund (LAFF) application in the amount of \$1,354.65 for energy efficient lighting replacements at the Lunenburg Curling Club.
- Motion carried unanimously**
- Moved and seconded that Council approve the Lunenburg Curling Club's Lunenburg Athletic Facility Fund (LAFF) application in the amount of \$2,900 for the installation of two donated heat pumps at the Lunenburg Curling Club.
- Motion carried unanimously**
- Moved and seconded that Council approve the Lunenburg Curling Club's Lunenburg Athletic Facility Fund (LAFF) application in the amount of \$10,089 for the purchase of reusable vinyl curling sheets to replace the current system of painting the ice at the Lunenburg Curling Club.
- Motion carried unanimously**
- In Camera Meeting Moved and seconded that Council meet in camera at 6:25 p.m. to consider the following matter pursuant to section 22 (2), Municipal Government Act:
- Contract negotiations
- Motion carried unanimously**
- Prior to any in camera discussions, the Deputy Mayor called a recess from 6:25 p.m. until 6:50 p.m.
- Resumption of Council Meeting Council reverted to public session at 7:16 p.m. and approved the following motion:
- Moved and seconded that Council direct staff to waive the \$2,943.91 interest payment owed by the Lunenburg Academy of Music Performance (LAMP) for its outstanding rent payments; and that Council direct staff to collect the remaining balance of \$15,737.81 over

the next 12-month period, starting in March 2023.

Motion carried unanimously

Adjournment

There being no further business, the February 28, 2023 Council meeting adjourned at 7:17 p.m.

Minutes were read and approved.