



Town of Shelburne
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting
Monday March 20th, 2023

Council Members Present

Mayor Harold Locke
Deputy Mayor Ben Nickerson
Councillor Elizabeth Acker
Councillor Sheldon Ringer
Councillor Rick Davis

Staff Present

Sherry Doane, CAO

Call to Order

Mayor Harold Locke called the Council meeting to order at 6pm.

The Town of Shelburne is located on the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmaq, (Mi'kma'ki), in the District of Kespukwitk, home to Acadia First Nation. We are all Treaty people.

We also acknowledge the histories, contributions, and legacies of the African Nova Scotian people and communities.

Approval of the Agenda

THAT Council approves the Agenda for March 20th, 2023, as presented, with the removal of Staff Report, Shelburne County Arena Association.

Davis-Ringer

CARRIED

Approval of the Minutes

THAT Council approves the Minutes from the Town Council Meeting held on March 6th, 2023.

Acker-Nickerson

CARRIED

Proclamations & Announcements

a) Celebrated annually on March 26, Epilepsy Awareness Day, or Purple Day, was created by Cassidy Megan from Nova Scotia. Motivated by her own diagnosis and struggles she wished to increase the public's understanding of this brain disorder and to eliminate the fear and stigma surrounding it.

b) World Autism Awareness Day is observed on April 2nd every year and was created by the United Nations General Assembly and adopted on December 18 of 2007, to encourage members to take action in raising awareness about people with autism spectrum disorder and support the research in finding new ways to improve wellness and inclusion.

c) To go along with World Autism Awareness Day, the whole month of April is observed as Autism

Acceptance Month Autism Spectrum Disorder is a neurodevelopmental disorder affecting one in every 66 Canadian children, as well as their friends, family, and community.

d) National Volunteer Month, in April, celebrates the incredible impact volunteers have on our lives and encourages active volunteerism in generations to come. The Town of Shelburne Council thanks all the wonderful volunteers we have in our community & urges everyone to get involved.

Delegations

D23-A135

Shelburne Harbour Yacht Club, Rear Commodore Mike Turney & Commodore Andy Blackmer
A request was made to Council regarding converting a presently-unkept area to dry dock smaller boats near the south boat launch /break wall /art exhibit area. Council members were pleased that this may alleviate some congestion caused by albacores and dinghies in the area around the Mill building/fire route. As this spot is within the marina area and a bit of an eyesore that would benefit from the effort, Council thanked the SHYC for given them the courtesy of updating them with their intensions, directing them to reach out to the CAO on specifics.

Correspondence

Action:

None

Information

None

Council Items

None

Committee Reports

None

Staff Reports

- a) By-Law Officer Monthly Report, February, 2023 D23-A133
- b) Building Inspector Monthly Report, February, 2023 D 23-A132
- c) SVFD, Monthly Report, February, 2023 D23-A131

THAT Council accepts the above Staff Reports as presented.

Nickerson-Davis
CARRIED

New Business

Councillor Acker – Given that more MDS citizens utilize the facility than that of the Town, Council asked staff to work with MDS administration to consider cost sharing the operational costs of the McKay Memorial Library/

Councillor Ringer – Council asked staff to work with the mall tenants more diligently to have shopping carts scattered through out town (including in ditches) picked up more regularly.

Mayor Locke commented that the arena received a provincial grant for \$255,000 to go towards the roof repair or replacement and that Council was very pleased with the province’s commitment, thanking our local MLA.

In-Camera

MGA Section 22(2)(e) Contract Negotiations

M23-064 **THAT** Council directs staff and the Port Manager to negotiate a one-year berthing lease with Fisheries and Oceans for their 45-foot vessel.

Acker-Davis

Upcoming Meetings

- a) Town Council meeting Monday April 3rd at 6pm, in Council Chambers
- b) Spring Clean-up / Earth Day, April 21st, rainy day April 24th

Adjournment

THAT the Regular Town Council Meeting of March 20th, 2023, be adjourned at 6:57pm.

Davis

CARRIED

Mayor

Executive Coordinator