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Town of Shelburne Adopts 2020-21 Operating Budget

Shelburne, NS - The Town of Shelburne Council approved the 2020 general operating budget of \$3.74 million at its meeting on June 1st, 2020. 2020/21 Tax rates are \$2.06 per \$100 of assessment for Residential/Resource and \$3.88 per \$100 of assessment for Commercial. Sewer Charge is \$260 per unit, and Solid Waste increasing to \$257.49, up from 257.15 due to increase from Shared Services which equates to \$9.91 per bi-weekly pick up. The low-income property tax exemption will continue which provides graduated tax relief top tax payers with household income under \$34,464.

In setting the operating budget the Town Council has had to confront increasing financial pressures and balance competing priorities while remaining conscious of residents' and businesses' ability to pay. By focusing on the efficient delivery of the Town's core services, a facilities and infrastructure review will look to identify and prioritize efficiencies that will allow us to effectively plan for the foreseeable future. Additional efforts will be made to explore shared services and partnerships that allow us to make the best use of our taxes for the benefit of the Town and area.

The complete 2020-21 Town Budget, operating and capital, will soon be available on the Town of Shelburne website at www.town.shelburne.ns.ca

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