

**TOWN OF LOCKEPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JUNE 26, 2023
MINUTES**

PRESENT: Mayor Cory Nickerson, Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor, Councillor Dayle Eshelby, Councillor Kent Balish, Councillor Mary Meagher, Town Clerk/Treasurer Joyce Young and Community Coordinator Frances Scott

ABSENT: Working Streets Foreman Kevin Snow

1. Call to order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nickerson at 1:00 p.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

All electronic devices were silenced at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda

06-26-23-01

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved with the addition of approval of Emergency Council meeting minutes of June 16, 2023. Motion Passed

4. Approval of Minutes

- Regular Council Meeting Minutes June 12, 2023

06-26-23-02

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the Regular Council meeting of June 12, 2023 be approved as circulated. Motion Passed

- Emergency Council Meeting Minutes June 16, 2023

06-26-23-03

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes of the Emergency Council meeting of June 16, 2023 be approved as presented. Motion Passed

5. Department Reports

- Public Works Report

The Public Works report was reviewed. It was pointed out how pleased Council is regarding Travis Foster's performance in the Public Works department. Council has received positive comments from the public.

- Community Coordinator Report

The Community Coordinator reported to Council that the project at the tennis courts will begin on Wednesday, June 28, 2023.

There was some discussion pertaining to the use of the fire hall for the Seniors Social regarding the condition of the parking lot that is awaiting paving. It was determined by Council that access remains available to the main entrance and other events have been, and will be held at that location with no concerns raised, therefore the Seniors Social will take place at the Fire Hall as an alternate location if the weather is not suitable to hold the event outdoors. Councillor Eshelby has volunteered to provide traffic control for the Seniors Social event.

- Administration Report

The administration report was reviewed

6. Finance

- List of invoices already paid in the amount of \$47,767.96

There were no questions or concerns regarding the invoices.

7. Other Business

- Availability of serviced and/or serviceable land

The letter from the Honourable John Lohr was reviewed pertaining to the possible availability of serviced or unserviced lands that could be utilized for affordable housing. The recent wildfires have intensified this need here in Shelburne County. Council has instructed the Town Clerk/Treasurer to notify the Minister that the Town of Lockport owns two possible lots that the Province may want to consider. One is a serviced lot here in Town and the other is a large unserviced lot in West Green Harbour.

8. Committee Reports

- Canada Day Report (Mayor Nickerson)

06-26-23-04

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Canada Day Committee, Council approves the barbeque during the Soap Box Derby be provided to both spectators and participants free of charge. Motion Passed

- Recreation Report (Deputy Mayor DeMings-Taylor)

06-26-23-05

It was duly moved and seconded that as recommended by the Recreation Committee, Council approves that the Community Coordinator be authorized to spend up to \$1200 from the existing Recreation budget as honorariums for successful completion of the Jr. Leadership Program being offered this summer. Motion Passed

9. Correspondence

- Letter from Warden Smith of the Municipality of the District of Shelburne to Minister Rushton - Nova Scotia Department of Natural Resources and Renewables RE: Burn ban lift

10. Date of next meeting

- July 10, 2023 at 6:00 p.m.

11. Adjournment

06-26-23-06

There being no further business to discuss, it was duly moved and seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Time 2:38 p.m. Motion Passed

Mayor, Cory Nickerson

Town Clerk/Treasurer Joyce Young