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**ATTENDING**

- Chair Deputy Mayor Oonagh Proudfoot,
- Mayor Wendy Donovan,
- Councillor Wendy Elliott,
- Councillor Isabel Madeira-Voss,
- Alice Cohen, - left meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- Beverly Boyd,
- David MacKinnon, - left meeting at 5:30 p.m.
- George Lohnes
- Mark Bishop, and
- Recording Secretary Amanda Brown

**ALSO ATTENDING**

- Director of Planning & Development, Devin Lake
- Climate Change Mitigation Coordinator, Omar Bhimji
- Neill Spencer, Bicycle Nova Scotia

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Deputy Mayor Oonagh Proudfoot, called the meeting to order at 4:04 pm.

<b>Agenda Item</b>	<b>Discussion and Decisions</b>
<b>1. Approval of Agenda</b>	<b>IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED</b>  <b>CARRIED</b>
<b>2. Approval of Minutes</b>	<b>IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING OF SEPTEMBER 17, 2020 BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED</b>  <b>CARRIED</b>
<b>3. Public Input / Question Period</b>	No Public Input

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**4. Welcome and Introductions for New Members**

- Request from Deputy Mayor Proudfoot for new members to introduce themselves and provide context for their background.
- David advised he was a retired faculty member of Acadia and was originally from Wolfville and joining the Committee provided a way to give back to the Community.
- Mark advised this is his second year on PAC after being away from Wolfville for 25 years.
- Alice advised she is a faculty member at Acadia and moved to the valley 8 years ago. Alice wanted the opportunity to contribute to the Community.
- Beverly moved to Wolfville two years ago and worked with the Federal Public Service (Parks Canada) and has been retired for 3 years now.
- The Councillors and the Mayor and Director Lake introduced themselves.
- Deputy Mayor explained briefly, the Strategic Plan of Council for the next 4 years. Advised she would share the document with the Committee. It entails a vision and a mission.
- Director Lake advised he is willing to meet with members if they would like more information on how the committee works and further information can be discussed at the end.

**5. New Business**

**a. Mobility Planning:**

- Climate Change Mitigation Coordinator, Omar Bhimji and Neill Spencer provided an overview of the Mobility Planning Survey and the results from the public.
- Neill advised Bicycle Nova Scotia has teamed up with the Town of Wolfville on a HUB project which is active Bicycle trails and linking up routes with communities in Nova Scotia.
- They are trying to develop a minimum grid to come up with a way to link the communities.
- Review of the survey included the preferred methods of transportation. It was noted in the survey many do not own a bicycle making this a less desired choice of transportation.
- Discussion surrounding the survey pertains to the Town of Wolfville and there will be a further study completed in the spring/summer.
- It was noted the age demographics for the survey were inclusive of all ages including the elder population.
- Review of questions for discussion by the Committee include the following: How does mobility factor into daily life in Wolfville? It

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was noted that wellness both physical and emotional plays a large role and being able to walk was a lifestyle.

- What do you consider to be the key destinations in Wolfville? Omar noted this is to be considered not just for tourists but for residents as well. The Committee recognized the Farmers Market.
- What do you consider to be the key routes or connectors in Wolfville? It was noted there is a large bottle neck at the four way stop and another conversation that comes up frequently is no connector to the 101. Committee members would like to see further connections made to the rail trail
- What are some of the limits to Mobility – Discussion on sidewalks and the uneven areas making it hard for individuals in wheelchairs as the lifts in some areas are very high. There appear to be many areas that have large chunks of the pavement laying around and large potholes. Discussion also surrounding safety and site lines and needing the lighting and security issues reviewed.
- Omar advised he would send out the remainder of the questions to Committee members for their review and feedback.

**b. Flood Risk Study (V3)**

- Director Lake provided a brief overview advising this is the 3<sup>rd</sup> version and will provide the full study completed to the Committee for their review and feedback.
- Director Lake asked the Committee to provide any feedback they may have as soon as possible as he would like to take the Study to Committee of the Whole in March.
- A question was asked surrounding the best practice regarding the 1-100 and 1-20 scenarios. Director Lake advised CBCL has completed most of the Flood Risk Assessments in Nova Scotia and this work is aligning with the forthcoming Coastal Protection Act.
- It was agreed by the Committee to move further discussion to the next meeting.

**c. Nova Scotia Housing Engagement**

- Director Lake asked the Committee to review information surrounding Housing issues on the Nova Scotia Housing website. He noted he would appreciate any feedback from the Committee and would provide further information.
- A discussion surrounding a member of the public inquiring on if the Town was going to be participating further surrounding social housing. Councillor Elliott advised based on other Municipalities it appeared the groups were more community led initiated and not something the Town initiated.



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- d. General Updates and Discussion**

  - It was agreed by the Committee to move further discussion to the next meeting.
  - No further discussion was participated in as individuals had to leave the meeting.
  
- 6. Next Meeting**

March 11, 2021 – 4:00 p.m.
  
- 7. Adjournment**

**IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING BE ADJOURNED AT 5:49 p.m.**

**CARRIED**

**As recorded by Amanda Brown, Assistant, Office of the CAO  
Approved at the Planning Advisory Committee Meeting on March 11, 2021**