



ATTENDING

- Mayor Wendy Donovan
- Deputy Mayor Oonagh Proudfoot
- Councillor Isabel Madeira-Voss
- Councillor Jennifer Ingham
- Councillor Jodi MacKay
- Councillor Mike Butler
- Councillor Wendy Elliott
- Chief Administrative Officer Erin Beaudin
- Recording Secretary, Laura Morrison

ALSO ATTENDING

- Director of Finance, Mike MacLean
- Director of Planning and Development, Devin Lake
- Special Projects Coordinator, Barb Shaw
- Director of Public Works, Tim Bouter
- Community Climate
- Community Outreach

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

- George Lohnes

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Mayor Donovan, called the meeting to order at 8:33 a.m.

Agenda Item	Discussion and Decisions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• It was noted there will be no presentations or In Camera session.
1. Approval of Agenda	<p>01-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
2. Approval of Minutes	<p>02-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA MEETING, MAY 4, 2021, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <p>03-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING, JUNE 1, 2021, BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>

- Mayor Donovan noted two amendments; Page 2 of 6 presentation on Doctors recruitment discussion, should state “the population of those without a Physician is going down.”
- Page 3 of 6 typo.

04-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES FROM THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA MEETING, JUNE 1, 2021, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.

CARRIED

**3. Public
Input/Questions**

- George Lohnes raised concerns re the recent behaviours experienced by community members in the Fairfield, Bay, Hillside and Highland areas and the progress being made by the Community Harmony project. He recommends assigning resolution of this problem as top priority of the town and university.
- Mayor Donovan advised she is aware of the issues, has walked the street and witnessed the behaviours Mr. Lohnes is referring to and that several initiatives are scheduled for an immediate start.
- Councillor Madeira-Voss advised discussion had taken place around break ins on Laura Moore and partying that took place at Reservoir Park. RCMP will increase monitoring of that area.
- New Business – muffler noise - specific streets more of an issue than others. RCMP asked anyone who witnesses this to take down information i.e. license plates/make and model of car. Witnesses may have to attend court to give evidence. High areas of concern are Highland, Gaspereau and Main Street.
- There was also discussion and comments around the Good Neighbour group and crosswalk safety. The next meeting is scheduled for September 14th at 10am.
- Mayor Donovan cautioned when talking about the disturbances to be mindful that not all students are from Acadia. Some are friends of Acadia students; some are young residents in our town.
- Deputy Mayor Proudfoot agreed these should not be categorized as Acadia issues and to be mindful of the language imbalance.

**4. Conference
Reports - NSFM**

- There were no additions to the report as presented.

**5. Committee
Reports**

- There were no additions to the Committee reports as presented.

6. Staff Reports for Discussion

a. RFD 040-2021: Snow and Ice Clearing Policy

- Tim Bouter shared a PowerPoint presentation and report on Snow and Ice Clearing Practice.
- Tim noted the correct street name is Harbourside Drive not Harbourview Drive as in the policy.
- Residents did not indicate any major objections to ceasing the snow and ice clearing and are thankful the town has given them some time to consider their options.
- Legal advice also sought; process is in accordance with their recommendations.
- Councillor Elliot advised Harbourside which is the opening part of a driveway is beside one of the oldest houses in town which has been painted by Canadian Artist Alex Coville.
- In response to a question Tim advised the other private lanes that are plowed by the people living adjacent are; Catherine Court, Wright Lane, Little Brook Lane, Harborside Drive, Toye Lane, Crowell Drive, Horton Ave and a portion of Acadia street which is on university property. It is believed these private lanes were developed this way in accordance with old public street standards.

05-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION: THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE REMOVAL OF CLAUSE 1.2 IN POLICY 1223-50 — SNOW AND ICE CLEARING, AS PRESENTED IN THE JULY 6, 2021, COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA PACKAGE.

CARRIED

b. Info Report: Economic Development

- Director of Planning Devin Lake presented on the economic development alongside Alicia Christie, Coordinator, Community Engagement & Tourism and Barb Shaw, Special Projects Coordinator who presented on Communications and Branding.
- Deputy Mayor Proudfoot advised economic prosperity could equate to no empty storefronts, economic opportunities to retain young people in the area.
- Discussion around the diversification of products and services we have and offer and a good opportunity to talk to previous business owners who couldn't make a go of it and find out why if they are willing to share that information.
- Councillor Elliot advised there are tech firms that do startups at Acadia but not sure if survived, suggested gaining information about how they are doing.
- Councillor Ingham suggested cost sharing ideas for startups.

- Councillor Mackay advised consideration of accessibility of infrastructure could be a draw.
 - There was discussion around various ways to gather feedback from those people visiting the town and how to get more information.
 - Mayor Donovan advised mindfulness of the residents in conjunction with managing the flow of people and traffic in the town and looking to increase tourism, as well as communicating the benefits the residents.
 - Deputy Proudfoot requested all acronyms be spelled out at the beginning of the reports.
 - There was discussion around accessibility and wayfinding boards in terms of accessibility including language.
- c. Info Report: Climate Change Update**
- Director Bouter and summer Climate Action Team – Lia Lancaster and Max Abu-Laban presented on the report.
- d. Info Report: Alcohol Strategy Engagement Process**
- Councillor Madeira-Voss voiced her support for a Landlord Registry and focus on landlord engagement. How could we support those landlords who are struggling or feel intimidated by their tenants?
 - The CAO advised as part of the economic development, the business license registry would include landlords.
 - Deputy Proudfoot commented on the balance between ‘Keep it Social’ campaign which is relevant to all demographics and our economic development goal where we specifically promote the town libation and alcohol economic growth.
- e. Info Report: Accessibility Report Card**
- There was discussion around requirement/need for business cards versus people who don’t have internet and the cost of printing less cards.
 - Councillor Madeira-Voss expressed how well presented this report was. Visuals assisted with understanding.
- f. RFD 041-2021: Wickwire**
- Director Bouter provided an overview of his presentation.
 - Councillor Butler asked the difference between the top and bottom level tenders. Tim advised the tender was designed for cost only, not a typical RFP,



**Well
Generator**

they all had to respond to specifications, so could be a case of different profit margins.

06-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION: THAT COUNCIL APPROVE A \$20,000 INCREASE TO THE WATER UTILITY CAPITAL BUDGET FOR THE WICKWIRE AVE. GENERATOR PROJECT, BRINGING THE TOTAL APPROVED SPENDING UP TO \$100,000.

CARRIED

**g. RFD 039-
2021:
Physician
Navigator
Funding
Request**

07-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION: THAT COUNCIL APPROVE A \$5,000 GRANT CONTRIBUTION TO THE AVCC PHYSICIAN NAVIGATOR POSITION AND THAT FUTURE YEAR'S CONTRIBUTIONS BE CONSIDERED DURING THE BUDGET PROCESSES FOR FISCAL 2022/23 AND 2023/24.

CARRIED

**7. Request for
Agenda Item:
Saint-Anne-de-
Bellevue**

- Mayor Donovan clarified this item will be given to staff to work on and provide a report at a future meeting, September at the earliest.

8. CAO Report

- The CAO advised the COVID phases are the focus, and how easing of restrictions will affect programs, council etc. There is one more council meeting in July with the hope to be in Phase 5 by September's meeting.

**9. Committee
Reports
(External)**

- WBDC – Councillor Madeira-Voss provided an update on the WBDC. The AGM was held on June 15th. This was a virtual meeting with 22 people in attendance.
- The meeting started with positive comment from Cochair Linda MacDonald that Wolfville had not lost any businesses due to COVID and that some new entrepreneurial opportunities had started up during COVID.
- Moving forward with strategies that continue to support businesses. The four main focuses are wayfaring improvements, strategic planning process, the immediate opening of an office for WBDC which will help facilitate a lot of communication. The business registry moving along and the website.
- There were 11 new directors elected and a change to the bylaw increasing number of directors from minimum of 11 to maximum of 14. The next meeting is scheduled for Sept 14, 2021.



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- Councillor Ingham advised Kings council and staff took diversity training which looked at unconscious bias and how it shapes us. It is very much a personal journey of awareness to be considered by Council.
- 10. Public Input/Question Period**
- George Lohnes responded to an earlier comment around what action the citizens want taken. He advised he wanted the existing bylaws to be enforced and breaches dealt with.
 - Mayor Donovan assured Mr. Lohnes that Council wants the same and advised she had mentioned earlier that there was to be no discretion about enforcing our bylaws and identifying individuals as well as dealing with problem landlords.
- 11. Adjournment of Regular Meeting to In-Camera Meeting** **Not Required**
- 12. Adjournment of In-Camera Meeting** **Not Required**
- 13. Regular Meeting Reconvened** **Not Required**
- 14. Regular Meeting Adjourned** **11-07-21 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING ADJOURN AT 11:59 A.M.**

CARRIED

**Approved by Committee of the Whole Motion xx-07-21, September 7, 2021.
As recorded by Laura Morrison, Recording Secretary**