



ATTENDING

- Mayor Wendy Donovan
- Deputy Mayor Wendy Elliott
- Councillor Jodi MacKay
- Councillor Mike Butler
- Councillor Jennifer Ingham
- Councillor Isabel Madeira-Voss
- Councillor Ian Palmeter
- Interim Chief Administrative Officer Rob Simonds
- Recording Secretary, Laura Morrison

ALSO ATTENDING

- Director, Planning & Economic Development, Devin Lake
- Director, Engineering & Public Works Alex de Sousa
- Director, Finance & Corporate Services Beth Hopkins
- Manager of Communications and Strategic Initiatives, Barb Shaw
- Manager, Financial Services, Jenny Johnson
- Manager, IT, David Hopkins
- Interested Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Mayor Donovan, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Agenda Item	Discussion and Decisions
1. Approval of Agenda	01-03-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Additional item – KPPT discussion</i>• <i>Reorder items 7a & 7b</i>
2. Approval of Minutes	
a. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes, February 14, 2024	02-03-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF FEBRUARY 14, 2024, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED. <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>



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b. Approval of Special Committee of the Whole Budget Minutes, February 21, 2024	<p>03-03-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET MEETING OF FEBRUARY 21, 2024, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>
3. Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trish Coleman, Kings Seniors Safety Program • Tanya Colville, Events Acadia • Brian Finnis, Acadia Athletics
4. Public Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Roger Bolt, 8 Dewitt Close, large amount of rain last August creating flooding affecting his property. Is there a plan to have a Hydrological Study done to look at fixing storm sewers? Staff aware of the request.
5. Committee Reports (Internal)	
a. Accessibility Advisory Committee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted.
6. CAO REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Willow Park under construction until summer. Construction area is fenced off. Consider extra signage for snowstorm. • Staff working on contingency plans for everyone impacted by period of construction. Will come back to Council with more information. • Rumble strips on one side of street, drivers are driving on opposite side of the road to avoid them. Rumble strips were deliberately placed on Northbound lanes only.
7. Staff Reports for Discussion	
a. RFD 016-2024 Devour Amended MOU Capital Grant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two specific projects are being funded, publicly accessible bathroom and large patio to rear of property. • Flood risk work and rail line which is leased has resulted in request for extension to time period. <p>04-03-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p>



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<p>b. IR007-2024 Budget 2024/25 Version 3</p>	<p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ATTACHED MOU AMENDMENT AND DIRECT THE CAO TO SIGN AND EXECUTE THIS AMENDMENT, ALONG WITH OTHER FORTHCOMING ENABLING DOCUMENTS (AGREEMENT DETAILING THE SCOPE OF WORK/SEWER LINE FOR THE DECK AND AMENDED RAIL LINE LEASE).</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Director of Finance presented the Operating Budget for 2024/25. • Change in Tax Rate from V1 to V3 - reduction of .95 cents per \$100k assessed. • Reduction in estimated insurance costs, including cybersecurity liability insurance. • Increase of \$30k for Soups and Sides project. • Contracted services – change to the policing contract. • Acadia Events increase discussion. • Operating Reserves discussion will take place at the same time as Capital Budget discussion. • Discussion on staffing - operating vs capital budgets. • Request for more detailed changes between versions. • Residential Impact comparison. • Staffing levels from V1 to V3 - no significant change. • <i>Request for new CAO to complete an FTE review with similar Towns for comparison as well as a service capacity review for future Operational Plan.</i> • Estimate of housing accelerator Funding not yet included. • Direct investment discussion e.g. tiny homes. Grant program funding included. • Potential to assist groups who want to invest in housing get started. • MPSA contract and Community Safety Pilot discussions. • Partners contributions discussion.
<p>8. Committee Reports (External)</p>	
<p>a. <u>Kings Point to Point (KPPT)</u></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted • KPPT funding request included in budget.



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b. <u>Annapolis Valley Trails (AVTC)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As submitted.
c. <u>Wolfville Business Development Corporation (WBDC)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As submitted. Hammocks this month dependent on contractor and ground condition.
d. <u>Interim IMSA Board (VW) & (KTA)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> As submitted. WSP report on Kings Transit and routes and joint Regional Transit Authority both presenting Wednesday March 21, link to be circulated.
9. Public Input/Question Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No public input
10. Regular Meeting Adjourned	<p>05-03-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING ADJOURN AT 11:26PM.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>

Approved by Committee of the Whole Motion 02-04-24 April 2, 2024
 As recorded by Laura Morrison, Town Clerk.