



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, IT, David Hopkins
- Interested Members of the Public

CALL TO ORDER

Chair, Mayor Donovan, called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Agenda Item	Discussion and Decisions
<p>1. Approval of Agenda</p>	<p>01-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED AS AMENDED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Additional In Camera item under MGA Section 22(e) Contractual</i>
<p>2. Approval of Minutes</p>	
<p>a. Approval of Committee of the Whole Minutes, March 5, 2024</p>	<p>02-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING OF MARCH 5, 2024, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>
<p>b. Approval of Special Committee of the Whole Budget Minutes, March 19, 2024</p>	<p>03-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE BUDGET MEETING OF MARCH 19, 2024, BE APPROVED AS CIRCULATED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED</p>



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3. Presentations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MacKayla Ogilvie, Coordinator & Mathew Code, East Kings Community Health Coordinator • Dr. Stephen Schneider, Community Safety Wellness Office Pilot Project
4. Public Input	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Cann of Canning raised concerns of decommissioning wind turbines after their 25 year lifespan and that if there is no third-party liability the cost would fall to the municipalities.
5. Committee Reports (Internal)	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • No meetings since last COW 	
6. CAO REPORT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A temporary Welcome Centre for the summer due to construction at Willow Park will be at Waterfront Park close to the public washrooms and the parking lot where the Wine Bus can pick up. It will be in the form of a movable hut with a window. It will not be next to the Devour construction work on their back deck. If it's deemed to be in too busy a spot, the hut can be relocated. • Hammocks are being installed this week. • Parks & Public Works staff are preparing a workplan for safety signage on rocks. • Concern around dog bites at Reservoir Park was raised by a Physician. The Dog Bylaw is up to date. Staff are working on a public education campaign and updating signage to be clearer around expectations of owners with off leash dogs. • Concern around Crosswalk painting especially with extra construction going on. Public Works springtime schedule is being reviewed this week. An external contractor does the initial line painting and staff maintain throughout the year. Six months is life expectancy of the paint due to using a more environmentally friendly based non-oil based paint. • Very early discussions are taking place with landowners on rearranging some acreage. • Garbage pickup – further discussions at management meeting with staff this week. • Compost queries from members of the community. • <i>Request for update on Parks & Open Space Planning from Director Lake at next meeting.</i>

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7. Staff Reports for Discussion	
a. IR 006-2024 Accessibility Report Card to March 2024	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New plan for 2022-2025.• Areas of progress to end March 2024 include:<ul style="list-style-type: none">– secured funding for automatic doors at Recreation Centre.– secured funding for paved pathways at Clock Park.• Committee provided feedback to Province around accessibility standards. Waiting for those to be finalized.• Improved communications efforts.• Waiting to be prescribed under the Dismantling Racism and Hate Act.• Working with business community on grants and small ramp projects.• Advocacy work through NSFM (Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities)• Public Awareness campaign being developed for AccessAbility Week. Event info to come back to council next month.• Clarification on image description on social media posts - describes what is contained in the image to assist people using screen readers to be able to understand what is in the picture.• Chair of Accessibility Committee requested feedback on behalf of the committee from council on the plan and input on AccessAbility Week plan.• If renovating a business space, it must be up to accessible standards.
b. IR 010-2024: Wolfville Community Safety and Wellness Model Draft Study and Planning Document	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Presentation from Dr Schneider will go to Acadia, ASU, RCMP Advisory Board and the Policing Review Committee to help inform a final report from Dr Schneider.• More dialogue required and time to unpack the report.• No ask from budget at this time.• New MPSA contract started April 1st.• Council to provide clear questions they wish to be answered in the final report to Manager of Communications.• Concern what this report says about Wolfville when crime stats don't appear to back it up.• Information in report is on a national scale doesn't necessarily represent our own community – would like to have this qualified on the report for context.



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<p>c. RFD 017-2024 Policy#110-010, Public Input policy Amendments</p> <p>d. RFD 018-2024 Policy#110-015, Presentation to Council Policy</p> <p>e. RFD 019-2024 Policy# 120-006, Flag Flying Policy Amendments</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Elderly population were not considered. • The size of the report and the outcomes were not the initial intention. Gaps in policing identified through the Policing Review Committee don't appear to be addressed. <p>04-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO PUBLIC INPUT POLICY #110-010 AS OUTLINED IN RFD 017-2024 WITH FURTHER CLARIFICATION TO SECTION 4.3 AS DISCUSSED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>05-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE POLICY #110-015, PRESENTATIONS TO COUNCIL POLICY, AS OUTLINED IN RFD 018-2024 WITH FURTHER CLARIFICATION TO SECTION 5.2 AS DISCUSSED.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p>06-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE AMENDMENTS TO FLAG FLYING POLICY #120-006 AS OUTLINED IN RFD 019-2024.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>



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<p>f. RFD 020-2024 Policy#120-012, Repeal of Town and Gown Policy</p>	<p>07-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE REPEAL OF POLICY #120-012, WOLFVILLE_ACADIA TOWN & GOWN POLICY.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>									
<p>g. RFD 021-2024 2024 Spring Debenture Pre-Approval</p>	<p>08-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE THE ATTACHED RESOLUTION FOR PRE-APPROVAL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE SPRING DEBENTURE ISSUE WITH THE FOLLOWING MAXIMUM FINANCIAL PARAMETERS:</p> <table style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td style="width: 60%;">FAIRFIELD STREET REBUILD AND EAST END MAIN CULVERT</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">\$735,000</td> <td style="width: 20%; text-align: right;">30-year amortization *</td> </tr> <tr> <td>WATER UTILITY</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$ 39,900</u></td> <td style="text-align: right;">30-year amortization *</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TOTAL BORROWING AMOUNT</td> <td style="text-align: right;"><u>\$774,900</u></td> <td></td> </tr> </table> <p>* MAXIMUM AVERAGE INTEREST RATE IS TO BE SET AT 6.5%.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>LUNCH BREAK 12NOON TO 12:34PM</i></p>	FAIRFIELD STREET REBUILD AND EAST END MAIN CULVERT	\$735,000	30-year amortization *	WATER UTILITY	<u>\$ 39,900</u>	30-year amortization *	TOTAL BORROWING AMOUNT	<u>\$774,900</u>	
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<p>h. RFD 024-2024 Welcome Centre Extra Costs for Unsuitable Soils</p>	<p>09-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE FORWARD THE FOLLOWING MOTION TO COUNCIL FOR DECISION:</p> <p>THAT COUNCIL APPROVE AN INCREASE TO THE WELCOME CENTRE PROJECT BUDGET OF \$27,800 TO COVER THE ADDITIONAL COSTS OF REPLACING UNSUITABLE SOILS DURING RECENT FOUNDATION PREPARATION WORK.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY</p>									



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i. IR 008-2024: Wolfville International Support Program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Town worked with Aditi Sharma an International Student identified through Wong Centre to review supports required by international students at Acadia based on their current experiences and how a program could look moving forward. • Town would be responsible under their inclusion work, onboarding an international student to work around 6 hours a week as a coordinator. • 1st/2nd year students will be focus of a pilot hoping for about 20 hosts and 40 student with expansion depending on success rate. • Training and liabilities discussion. • Funds allocated in the budget under Inclusion will come forward as part of the budget process.
8. Committee Reports (External)	
a. <u>Wolfville Business Development Corporation (WBDC)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted. • Survey responses were low in number but fulsome answers.
b. <u>Diversity Kings (DK)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted. • Diversity specialists working with young African Nova Scotia Youth to build stories. Launch of book will be April 11th.
c. <u>Interim IMSA Board (VW) & (KTA)</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted. • Electric buses in Berwick. • Further details on type of buses to order and Micro Transit to come.
d. <u>Valley REN</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted. • New CAO starting today. • Contributed \$35k per year from the Town. • Council would like REN to present at future meeting around the work they are doing for the Town.
e. <u>Regional Recreation Facility</u>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • As submitted.



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9. Public Input/Question Period	<ul style="list-style-type: none">No public input
10. Regular Meeting Adjourned to In Camera Meeting	10-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING ADJOURN TO INCAMERA UNDER SECTION 22(e) OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT AT 1:24PM.
11. Regular Meeting Adjourned	11-04-24 IT WAS REGULARLY MOVED AND SECONDED THAT THE REGULAR MEETING AND THE IN-CAMERA MEETING ADJOURN AT 1:58PM.

Approved by Committee of the Whole Motion 04-05-24 May, 2024
As recorded by Laura Morrison, Town Clerk.