



**TOWN OF LOCKPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 29, 2024, AT 1:00 P.M.
AGENDA**

1. Call to order
2. Silence Electronic Devices
3. Approval of Agenda, including additions or deletions

Draft Motion: That Council approve the agenda for the November 29, 2024, meeting as presented/with the following additions:

4. Approval of Minutes from the November 15, 2024, Regular Council Meeting

Draft Motion: That Council approve the November 15, 2024, meeting Minutes as circulated.

5. Business arising from previous Minutes

There was no business from the previous minutes

6. Community Forum (Open Mic)

- 20 Minutes Maximum
- Each resident is allowed a maximum of five minutes.
- Each resident is to state their name and where they live
- The resident is to speak directly to the Council.
- There will be no interaction by Council at this time.
- If questions are posed by residents the question will be recorded to be researched.

7. Presentations

There were no presentations scheduled for this meeting.

8. Department Reports

- Public Works Department Report (Page 1)
- Community Coordinators Report (Page 2-3)
- Administration Report (Page 4-5)

9. Finance

- List of invoices already paid in the amount of \$31,377.84 (Page 6)

10. Other Business

- Email from Municipality of Shelburne resident wanting approval to connect to the Town's sewer system. (Page 7-8)
- Email from Leesha Wood about renting tables and chairs for a wedding next September. (Page 9)
- Memo to Municipal and Town Council of Shelburne County in regard to Advocacy for Healthcare Services and Proposal for a County-Wide Healthcare Needs Assessment (Page 10-12)
- Discussion on upcoming meeting
- Terms of Reference for Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee. (Page 13-18)

11. Committee Reports

- Canada Day (Councillor Candace Malik) (Page 19)
- Recreation Report (Deputy Mayor Anna Chetwynd) (Page 20-30)

Draft Motion: That as recommended by the Recreation Committee that Council Mary Meagher and Janice Fiske be appointed as Community members of the Recreation Committee.

12. Correspondence

- Reply from Barbara Adams, Minister of Justice and Attorney General – Re: Request for an Organized Crime Unit in South West Nova Scotia. (Page 31)

13. Information Only

- Email from Marilyn Johnston in regard to dissolution of the Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association. (Page 34)
- Bulletin for Municipality of Shelburne - Municipal Planning Strategy & Land Use By-Law Sessions. (Page 35-36)

14. Date of next meeting

- Friday December 13, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

15. “In Camera”

16. Adjournment

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Public Works Department Report – November 2024

- Hauled and put a new pump in pump station #6
- Had engineer and worker from Lindsay Construction down for site visit on November 5th at treatment plant for Waste Water treatment plant upgrades project.
- Put Christmas tree lights on Town tree with Nova Scotia Power (Richard and Nick)
- Put bulbs in pot lights around Cabana and Beach Centre
- Put up Solar light at Beach Centre
- Sea water getting into pumping station #4, coming in overflow pipe from ocean. Happens on full moon or extremely high tides. Things were fine 40 years ago when system was built, things have changed over the years. Salt water is a detriment to our system. Have since found two overflow pipes that seawater was flowing into and thus into our system (probably between the two of them 120+ gallons per min. of seawater was infiltrating our system three or four hours, twice daily for three to five days in a month. We pulled these two overflow pipes and flows have tamed down to normal.
- Lindsay Construction has begun work on the sewer plant upgrades at the treatment plant site.
- Excavation was done Monday November 25th to erect a building as part of the project.

Community Coordinator Report to Council
for November 29, 2024 meeting

Accessibility – Work is well underway to update our Accessibility Plan for the April 1, 2025 deadline, and there are two actions I would like to put forward for Council’s consideration at this time.

First of all, I would like to recommend that we open the Koala Kare washroom at the Lighthouse Stage as a public washroom and register it for the “Go Here” program. Here is a link you can visit to learn more about this issue: <https://crohnsandcolitis.ca/Support-for-You/GoHere-Washroom-Access>.

Secondly, I would like to ask for Council’s approval to seek a meeting between ourselves and representatives of NS Dept. Of Natural Resources & Renewables (DNRR) in hopes of working collaboratively to try to establish better access to Crescent Beach near the Beach Centre. [Background: This issue has been an ongoing concern of the Rec. Dept. for many years and in April 2022 we received a professional assessment of beach access carried out by Atlantic Accessibility Consulting, with funding from the Active Communities Fund (CCTH). The assessment recommended action, in particular in the area leading from the Beach Centre parking lot down onto the beach, but at the time it was considered beyond our jurisdiction since we only own the land on which the Beach Centre and Parking Lot sit. More recently, through engagement with the community regarding both the updating of our Accessibility Plan and the refresh of our Physical Activity Strategy, there has been significant concern voiced by citizens asking us to improve beach access.] In that DNRR acts as stewards of the Crown Land on which the dunes and beach sit, it is my belief that it is within our purview to try to work toward establishing a more accessible entrance to the beach for the common good.

Ball Field upgrades – with the work to complete the Community Recreation Capital Grant project almost done, I am pleased to report that we have now received an additional \$45,000, which will enable us to complete the original plan to upgrade the outfield as well as the infield. (For additional details please refer to the Recreation Committee minutes for the November 20, 2024 meeting under the Facilities report section.)

Since Tyler Harris Excavating Ltd. was the only bid we received to carry out the outfield work, I would recommend that Council approve awarding him the

contract at a cost of \$30,646.00 + HST. Below is a revised budget for the overall upgrades to Old Son's Ball Field for reference:

Ball Field Upgrades - revised budget
as of October 25, 2024

Expenses:

Labour (Accessibility work at main gate)		\$ 3,000.00
Material (infield)		6,048.82
Equipment (storage shed)		2,056.09
Materials	\$ 1,000.54	
Labour	1,055.55	
Infield remediation		18,015.70
Tyler Harris Excavating	\$17,978.92	
Workers Comp. for T.H.E.	36.78	
Fencing remediation		17,755.15
Outfield remediation		32,026.23
Dug-out upgrades		2,600.00
Total expenses		\$81,501.99

Revenues:

Lockeport Area Minor Ball Association		\$10,000.00
Town of Lockeport		13,501.99
in Kind		5,000.00
LRHS softball teams (painting)	\$ 2,000.00	
Town of Lockeport	3,000.00	
Province of NS		53,000.00
Community Recreation Capital Grant	\$ 8,000.00	
Recreation Facility Development	45,000.00	
Total revenues		\$81,501.99

Respectfully submitted,

Frances H. Scott
Community Coordinator



**ADMINISTRATION REPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 29, 2024**

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED 2024/2025 FISCAL YEAR

To date, there have been Two (2) building permits issued for the 2024/2025 fiscal year.

TAX COLLECTIONS

As of November 21, 2024, *taxes owing are as follows:*

2021 & prior = 27,757.07

2022 = \$ 14,728.01

2023 = \$ 35,688.88

2024 = \$282,265.45

Total taxes owing is \$ 360,439.41.

Delinquent account notices have been sent out.

I had an enquiry from small Crafts and Harbours regarding the delinquent Sub-Lease account below. I sent them all the up-to-date information on the account. The total owed on this sub-leased account is \$22,831.58 plus \$15,614.84.

The Federal Government is addressing the outstanding taxes owed by tenants occupying crown properties at the North Government Wharf location. The total outstanding tax on these accounts is \$3,492.81 plus \$2,407.25 interest on five Gear Shed accounts.

Mayors/Wardens/CAO's Meeting

Lockeport hosted the Meeting this month and the Deputy Mayors were invited for a Meet & Greet. It was determined that going forward the Deputy Mayors should be included in these monthly discussions.

Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Project

I met online with the Engineer from CBCL and members of Lindsay Construction's organization on November 4th and Lindsay Construction arrived on site last week to begin preliminary preparations for the project.

Lindsay Construction representatives assure me that this project should be completed before March 31, 2025.

Locke Street/Crescent Beach barrier

Natural Resources Canada has partnered with AIM Network to offer technical assistance to Canadian Municipalities for Climate Resilience planning through the Climate Resilient Coastal Communities Program. Mayor Amalfa and I attended an online Meeting with members of this Group, which also included representation from the Clean Foundation. Council made a motion at the November 15, 2024, Council Meeting, for the Town of Lockeport to participate in this program, which will run over the next two years. We spoke to these folks regarding the Locke Street Barrier potential project, and they assured us that when the time comes, they will be able to help us navigate difficult items such as required permits/funding etc.

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Medical Centre

The identification sign for the Medical Centre has been ordered.

Crescent Beach Centre

The Province of Nova Scotia will be wrapping up at the Crescent Beach Centre on December 11, 2024. They have expressed gratitude to the Town of Lockeport for allowing them to rent this facility.

Boardwalk

Mike Balish continues to work at repairs to the Boardwalk underpinning/joint structure.

Respectfully Submitted by:

June Harding-Town Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Lockeport

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June Harding

From: June Harding <townoflockeport@ns.sympatico.ca>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 11:22 AM
To: 'brunoparadis@xplornet.com'
Subject: RE: Fence and Bunkie

Hello again

I have no idea who would have the authority to tell you that you could connect to the Town of Lockeport sewer system but I am sure it did not come from this office.

This is something I will have to take to my Council. I will ask them at the Council Meeting on Friday and get back to you.

June G. Harding
Town Clerk/Treasurer
Town of Lockeport
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Lockeport, NS
BoT 1Lo
Phone (902) 656-2216
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Email townoflockeport@ns.sympatico.ca
www.lockeport.ns.ca

From: brunoparadis@xplornet.com <brunoparadis@xplornet.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 13, 2024 10:29 AM
To: June Harding <townoflockeport@ns.sympatico.ca>
Subject: Re: Fence and Bunkie

Hi June,

I was told we could connect to the Town sewage system from this property. Can you tell me how I can get an approval to connect to the sewer system?

Thank you,

Suzanne

On 2024-11-13 08:47, June Harding wrote:

Hello again

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June Harding

From: Leesha Y-w <leeshayw@hotmail.com>
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 12:58 PM
To: townoflockeport@ns.sympatico.ca
Subject: Table and Chair Rentals?

Follow Up Flag: Follow up
Flag Status: Flagged

Hi June!

This is Leesha (Sheila and Jeff's daughter from Seaside Cottages), I am getting married in September next year and was wondering if the Town has any chairs / tables available for rent? Please let me know if you do, along with the cost and where we could go to see them.

Thanks,
Leesha

Memo

To: Municipal and Town Councils of Shelburne County

From: CAOs & Clerk-Treasurers

Date: November 20, 2024

Subject: Advocacy for Healthcare Services and Proposal for a County-Wide Healthcare Needs Assessment

-- Background --

Over the past several years, we have been actively advocating for improved healthcare services to address growing concerns about access and quality of care. These efforts have included meetings with healthcare providers, collaboration with provincial representatives, and direct engagement with the community to understand their concerns.

While these efforts have been meaningful, it is increasingly evident that our advocacy would benefit from a more comprehensive understanding of the county's healthcare needs. This would allow us to identify specific gaps and ensure that our advocacy efforts are evidence-based and targeted.

-- Current Challenges --

Several significant challenges face healthcare delivery in our County, which underline the urgency of a coordinated and informed approach.

One of the primary issues is staffing shortages. Many healthcare facilities struggle to recruit and retain qualified professionals, leading to reduced availability of services and increased pressure on existing staff. These shortages impact not only primary care but also specialized and emergency services, causing delays and limiting accessibility.

Another major challenge is access to healthcare services. Residents across the county have expressed difficulties in obtaining timely appointments with primary care physicians, mental health professionals, and specialists. For many, these delays have led to worsening health outcomes and higher dependency on emergency services.

Finally, aging infrastructure further complicates service delivery. The few healthcare facilities in our County are in need of upgrades or expansions to accommodate current and

future demand. Without these improvements, it will be increasingly difficult to provide effective and efficient care.

-- Proposed Approach --

To address these challenges, a county-wide healthcare needs assessment is proposed as the next logical step. This assessment would provide a detailed and accurate picture of the healthcare needs of residents in the County.

The process would involve collecting data on demographic trends and analyzing how these trends impact the demand for healthcare services. It would also identify gaps in the current system by reviewing available services and their accessibility. A key component of the assessment would be seeking input from residents, healthcare providers, and other stakeholders to ensure that local priorities are well understood. Additionally, the assessment would benchmark the county's healthcare performance against provincial and national standards, highlighting areas for improvement.

By undertaking this assessment, councils will be able to equip themselves with the information needed to guide future advocacy efforts and to work more effectively with the healthcare authority and provincial decision-makers.

-- Benefits of the Needs Assessment --

The healthcare needs assessment would yield several important benefits for our councils and residents.

First, it would allow for evidence-based advocacy. Having comprehensive data about healthcare gaps and priorities would strengthen councils' ability to make compelling cases to the Province and other decision-makers, ensuring that requests for support are backed by clear and actionable evidence.

Second, the assessment would serve as a tool for strategic planning. With a detailed understanding of the county's healthcare landscape, councils could develop targeted initiatives, such as investments in infrastructure, recruitment incentives, or community health programs, ensuring resources are allocated where they are needed most.

Third, a county-wide assessment would enhance collaboration among municipalities, towns, and healthcare stakeholders. By working together on shared priorities, councils can amplify their collective voice and foster partnerships that benefit all residents.

Finally, the initiative would build community trust. Residents would see that their concerns about healthcare access are being taken seriously, and they would recognize the proactive

steps being taken by councils to address these issues. Demonstrating a commitment to understanding and addressing local needs would strengthen public confidence in municipal leadership.

-- Proposed Next Steps --

To move forward, it is proposed that all municipal and town councils in the County collectively endorse the initiation of a county-wide healthcare needs assessment. This process should begin with securing formal approval from each council to proceed with the initiative. By aligning at the outset, councils can demonstrate a unified commitment to addressing healthcare challenges in the region.

Next, funding opportunities must be explored to support the assessment. This could include seeking grants from provincial programs, partnering with healthcare organizations, or allocating municipal funds. Collaboration with the Province will be essential to ensure both financial and strategic support for this effort.

Once funding is secured, the next step would be to engage a qualified consultant or research team to conduct the assessment. This will ensure that the process is both thorough and impartial. The selected consultant would be responsible for collecting and analyzing data, consulting with stakeholders, and delivering a comprehensive report on the County's healthcare needs.

Finally, a clear timeline for the assessment should be established. Councils should commit to receiving regular updates throughout the process and ensure that the final findings are presented in a transparent manner to councils and the public. These findings will be critical in guiding the development of future advocacy strategies and initiatives.

-- Conclusion --

Advocating for improved healthcare services remains a top priority for our councils. By undertaking a county-wide healthcare needs assessment, we can strengthen our advocacy efforts, ensure efficient use of resources, and work collaboratively toward solutions that meet the needs of all residents.

Town of Lockeport - Terms of Reference

Terms of Reference: Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee

Approved on:

Authorization Reference:

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Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference

Preamble

The Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee was created to gather insight on strategies to grow tourism within the Town of Lockeport. Increased tourism and development have a variety of positive impacts on a community such as more opportunities, social and economic benefits that support a vibrant arts and maritime culture while preserving our rich and colourful history, culture and heritage buildings.

Mandate

To provide recommendations to the Town of Lockeport Council on policies, procedures and strategic direction for the purposes of tourism marketing, development and promoting the Town of Lockeport's assets including historical heritage, arts and culture.

Goals and Purpose

The goals and purpose of the Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee is to:

- **Heritage and Tourism-** Represent the community's perspective on Heritage and Tourism initiatives to Council in an advisory capacity.
- **Heritage and Tourism-** Work in cooperation with Council and the Town Clerk and provide oversight and make recommendations in the delivery of tourism initiatives and heritage strategies as outlined
- **Heritage and Tourism-** To encourage the collection and preservation of documents, papers, locations and other objects of interest which may illustrate the history and heritage of this country, and specifically but not limited to Lockeport and area.
- **Tourism-** Work in cooperation with Council to propose and develop a strategic waterfront and wharf development plan that supports our fishing community, recreational watercraft and services that promotes economic revitalization, sustainability and enrichment.
- **Tourism-** To provide support and promote small business in Lockeport and encourage future investment.
- **Tourism-** To provide support and promote the arts, festivities and cultural activities in Lockeport.
- **Tourism-** To promote Lockeport as a coastal vacation destination that encourages future investment in tourist accommodation, culinary excellence, breathtaking scenic beauty, maritime associated events, activities and services.
- **Heritage-** Provide to council advisory inclusion of buildings, streetscapes and areas, in the municipal or provincial registry of heritage properties.
- **Heritage-** An application for permission to substantially alter or demolish a municipal heritage property.

- **Heritage-** The preparation, amendment, revisions, or appeal of a conservation plan and conservation bylaw.
- **Heritage-** An application for a certificate that is required by the Heritage Property Act to go to a public hearing.
- **Heritage-** Building or other regulations that affect the attainment of the intent and purpose of the Heritage Property Act; and any other matters conducive to the effective carrying out the intent and purpose of the Heritage Property Act.

Reporting Structure

The Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee will report directly to the Town Council.

Membership

Composition

Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee shall be composed of 9 members at large, that includes the Special Heritage Advisor, with preference given to applicants representing small retail/commercial operatives, fishing community and harbourfront authority, historical groups or committees that involve arts and festivals and other interest groups.

Code of Conduct and Professionalism

The Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee that includes the Chair, Vice Chair, Special Heritage Advisor, Members At-Large and Volunteers shall:

Act with honesty, courtesy, fairness, dignity, respect, impartiality during the proceedings of this committee and any/ all projects, festivals or events. Under no circumstances shall any person be subject to threatening, humiliating, bullying or degrading treatment, including hate or hate activity.

Committee members are committed to making proposals that are impartial and in the best interests of the Town of Lockeport and recognize the importance of fully observing the requirements of the Municipal Conflict of Interest Act, R.S.N.S. 1989, c. 299 with regard to the disclosure and conflict of interest.

Members shall declare all possible conflicts of interest before agenda items are presented and leave the meeting or that part of the meeting during which the matter is under consideration.

Voting Members:

At-large members (8)

Heritage Special Advisor and At-large member (1)

Councillor who will act as designated Chair (1)

Mayor (1)

The Town Clerk (or designate) will support the committee as the Town of Lockeport's staff liaison.

Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference

Term

The term of office for the committee shall be in line with the term of Town Council.

The term of the Committee itself is determined by the Committee's mandate, goals and objectives.

Roles and Responsibilities

Chair

Vice Chair

The Chair will:

- Preside over all meetings and be responsible for the overall administration of the affairs of the Committee.
- Work with the Town Clerk to build and coordinate the Committee/Board work plan and associated documents.
- Serve as the spokesperson for the Committee to Town Council
- Provide annual reports to Council.

The Vice Chair, shall act as the Presiding Officer in absence of the Chair, or should the Chair be unable to fulfill his or her duties.

Committee Members

All Committee members, including the chair and vice-chair, have the responsibility to help achieve the Committee's mandate and responsibilities. Committee members are also responsible for:

- a Vice-Chair Electing
- Reviewing meeting materials in advance of the meetings and arrive prepared to provide a broad perspective on the issues under consideration.
- Communicating activities of the committee to groups represented or those who may have an interest and offer information back to the committee
- Represent interests of community
- Create working groups as required to report back to them on specific matters
- Working within their budget (if applicable). Committees/Sub-committees do not have the authority to commit Town resources or direct the work of staff.

- Working within the direction and with authorization of Council for a designated Sub-Committee or designated individuals to prepare, draft and submit Grant proposals for approval of Council.

Town Clerk

The Lockeport Town Clerk/Treasurer will:

- work with the Chair and Vice-Chair in order to build a work plan for the Committee/Board and develop a regular reporting process to Council with respect to the performance and progress of the Committee.

Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference

- ensure matters within the mandate of the Committee are circulated to the Committees attention through Reports and Memorandums where applicable.
- incorporate input from the Committee into staff reports where applicable.

Working Groups

Working groups or Subcommittees may be established, as required, to complete specific research or to implement a specific project. Subcommittees shall be approved by the Committee.

Subcommittee Presiding Officers shall be appointed by the Committee as required.

Volunteers

Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee shall encourage volunteers when required, to assist in completing specific research, implement a specific project or participate in a festival or fundraising event with preference given to interested persons representing small retail/commercial operatives, fishing community, area youth and seniors, historical groups or committees, arts community and festival organizers and other persons who have a genuine interest and willingness to support heritage, arts, culture, tourism and community.

All volunteers will be made aware of the Code of Conduct and Professionalism and its strict adherence.

Volunteer positions will be open to the public

Volunteers shall not have any voting privileges

Resources

The Town Clerk/Treasurer or Designate is the designated person providing resource support to the committee.

All committee minutes will be forwarded to the Town Clerk for retention and distribution to council.

The Town Clerk/Treasurer or Designate shall be responsible for preparing and distributing meeting agendas and meeting minutes.

Meetings

There shall be 10 regular meetings scheduled each year. No regular meetings will be held in July or December. The date and time of meetings will be determined at the first meeting of each term. Special meetings will be at the call of the Chair.

A quorum shall consist of a majority of the total number of voting Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee members.

Meetings shall be held in the Town of Lockeport Council Chambers. As required, the Committee may identify other meeting locations from time to time.

Meetings of the Committee are open to the public; members of the public are invited to address the Committee on specific matters at the designated time during each meeting.

All public presentations must be submitted to the Town office at least one week prior to the regularly scheduled meeting.

Presentations to the committee shall not exceed ten minutes for any individual or group.

The mover of a motion speaks to the motion and is the last person to speak. All other members speak once for up to ten minutes, and are permitted to reply to comments made by other members.

Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee - Terms of Reference

Absenteeism

Committee members who are absent three (3) consecutive meetings shall forfeit their appointment, unless such absence is provided to the Committee prior to the meeting date/time.

Amendments to the Terms of Reference

The terms of reference should be reviewed and refined at a minimum of every four years to ensure that they remain current and meaningful.

Proposed amendments to the terms of reference shall require the approval of a majority of the Lockeport Heritage and Tourism Advisory Committee members present and those amendments if approved will be submitted to Town Council for approval. Amendments to the terms of reference shall take effect only upon the approval of Council.

Glossary of Terms

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Lockeport and Area Canada Day Celebration Committee

Lockeport N.S.

Tuesday November 12, 2024

The meeting was called to order at 6:11 p.m.

Present were: Emily Swim in the Chair, Ellen Suttle, Nancy Williams, Dayle Eshelby

Regrets: Candace Malik, Cory Nickerson

Hallowe'en Trunk or Treat - It was moved by Dayle Eshelby and seconded by Nancy Williams that Emily Swim receive \$200.00 for the purchase of the Hallowe'en treats that were distributed at the Hallowe'en Trunk or Treat on behalf of the Lockeport July 1st Committee. Motion carried.

Celebrate Canada Grant – This meeting was dedicated to completing the Celebrate Canada application. Cory had filled in some of the application and the committee completed most of the written part with a great deal of discussion. The 2025 budget still has to be completed on the application and supporting documents attached. This will be completed by Emily and Cory and submitted by November 21st.

Thane Dunn – Ellen has been in contact with Thane Dunn and has received a quote from him for a July 1st performance. Emily will request a financial statement from June Harding Scott so that we may determine if we can afford this performer.

July 1st Festivities – It was suggested that we should start thinking of how we may accommodate all of the activities that is being planned and who may possibly help with setting up and tearing down, i.e. fencing, tents, etc.

Due to working on the Celebrate Canada application, the meeting was rather lengthy and Dayle Eshelby moved the meeting adjourned at 8:45 p.m.

Next meeting: Tuesday, December 10th, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ellen Suttle

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Town of Lockeport
Recreation Committee Meeting
November 20, 2024

Minutes

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m., November 20, 2024 in the Council Chambers of Lockeport Town Hall by Community Coordinator, Frances Scott (Fran). Also in attendance were: Mayor Derek Amalfa, Deputy Mayor Anna Chetwynd, Sue Crosby, Dawn DeMings-Taylor, William Chetwynd and guests, Mary Meagher and Janice Fiske. Regrets: MaryAnn Swansburg.

Fran welcomed everyone and asked that they take a moment to introduce themselves and their role within the Committee. Fran then asked the group to select a Committee Chair and Vice Chair, which has traditionally been a member of Council so they can bring the Recreation Committee minutes forward to Council. The Mayor stated that he and the Deputy Mayor had discussed the selection of the Chair in advance and agreed that Deputy Mayor Chetwynd would fill the role. The following motion was forthcoming:

It was duly moved and seconded, that Deputy Mayor Anna Chetwynd be named Chairperson and that Mayor Derek Amalfa be named Vice Chair for the Recreation Committee. Motion carried.

At this point, Deputy Mayor Chetwynd assumed the chair and continued with conducting the meeting.

Agenda:

It was duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

Minutes:

It was duly moved and seconded that the minutes from the meeting held July 15, 2024 and the notes from the informal meeting held

October 23, 2024 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

Reports:

Community Coordinator – It was noted that Fran’s report had been emailed in advance of the meeting. There were a few questions which were answered in subsequent reports (Make Your Move Lockeport and Facilities).

It was duly moved and seconded that the Community Coordinator Report for October 19 to November 13, 2024 be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

A copy of the report is attached as part of these minutes.

Make Your Move Lockeport - Fran was asked to explain the difference between “Communities on the Move” and “Make Your Move”. Fran stated that the two terms have similar meanings and both refer to the work we are doing with Make Your Move Lockeport, which aims to create a culture shift whereby everyone adds more simple movement to their daily routines. “Communities on the Move” is the provincial title for the pilot project taking place in four Nova Scotia communities including Lockeport. Each of these communities are provided with \$200,000 over a three year period with which to try to achieve the goals of the pilot. The Province of Nova Scotia has partnered with the Healthy Tomorrow Foundation (HTF) in this initiative. HTF are charged with promoting the same goals through a province wide campaign called “Make Your Move”. Essentially Make Your Move Lockeport (MYML) is the local public face of Communities on the Move.

Sue stated that she was very concerned that Make Your Move money would go to a private business such as Surf Lodge. Sue feels strongly that Make Your Move money is public funds and should be used for public purposes. Fran stated that the Make Your Move Lockeport Leadership Team has had no discussions about providing funding to Surf Lodge. Fran added that she has had conversations with staff at Surf Lodge about the need to improve accessibility around the exterior of Surf Lodge, in particular leading from Howe Street to the Surf Lodge building, but at no time has there been any mention of MYML paying for such a project with MYML funds. Fran went on to say that her conversations with Surf Lodge folks have been to encourage and provide supportive guidance

for the idea, not to fund it.

Facilities – Fran outlined the various grant applications she applied for last year in seeking money to carry out work at the ball field. Initially the Town had authorized hiring Tyler Harris Excavating Ltd. to carry out work on the infield without any grant approvals in order to have the field in better condition for the High School boys Provincial Softball Championships hosted by LRHS in the spring. This work was to be paid for by \$10,000 from minor ball and the remainder from Town funds. Subsequently, we got word that our Recreation Facility Development (RFD) grant had been denied. Then we were approved for \$8000 in provincial funding through a Community Recreation Capital Grant (CRCG), which enabled us to engage Eastern Fence Erectors to replace 150' of rusting fence along the boardwalk. More recently we got word that our RFD application was now being funded and this \$45,000 has already been received, which means we will be able to complete the work on the outfield and finish the whole project in the spring of 2025.

School update – William Chetwynd reported that today was a Colour Day in school and each class was encouraged to come to school wearing their designated colours, which many did. Others at the meeting pitched in with some sports updates stating that the Senior Girls Volleyball team had recently hosted and won an invitational tournament and they will be going to Regionals as their season nears its conclusion. On an interesting note about high school life, it was reported that a model boat / time capsule had recently been recovered from a beach in the area and that MIT had brought the boat to the school to be viewed by students. The plan is that LRHS will add something to the boat and it will be taken by MIT back to be relaunched for further ocean travels.

Will was advised that part of his role as school rep. is to help the Committee understand the recreational wants and needs of the youth at the school. Will plans to look at the possibility of doing a survey in the school to find out what students think about this.

The discussion then moved to what is happening with the elementary school project to replace the Pad in the playground area. Fran met with Terri about a month ago at the school and discovered that there had not been much movement on the project. More recently Fran was speaking with Alyssa, who has had more conversations with Anna Haanstra of CCTH. Fran added that she had also had

several conversations with Anna about how to best support the school with their project. It is felt to be important for regular fund raising to be initiated so that it will be clear that there is local buy in and the school community is invested in the project. The Home & School group is a likely candidate to spearhead this type of campaign, but they may need guidance and support with planning for such an undertaking. There was specific talk about the need to get everyone on board for the project and get moving.

**It was duly moved and seconded, that the Recreation Committee will attempt to facilitate a meeting of stakeholders and interested individuals in order to plan for moving forward with the Lockeport Elementary School playground pad replacement project.
Motion carried.**

It was agreed that Fran will speak with Terri MacNeil and Alyssa Chetwynd within the next few weeks to set a time and date for the meeting. Wednesday was put forward as a potential day of the week for the meeting and suggestions for time included after school or 6 p.m. Other parties to be invited might include other folks involved with Health Promoting Schools (HPS), School Advisory Committee (SAC), TCRCE reps., Home & School reps., MLA, Councillor Malik and others to be determined.

Old Business:

Volunteers – Fran read aloud a nomination of Garth MacIntosh by Emily Swim and stated that she had also received a nomination by Brenda King for recognizing the family of Ryan and Margaret Chetwynd for their volunteer contributions. It was agreed that selecting Volunteers of the Month for January and February would be delayed until the December meeting to provide time for Fran to circulate the nominations to date in written form for the Committee to review. It was also suggested that an effort to seek additional nominations should be made via social media and the electronic notice board when it is up and running again.

Play Park fund raiser group – The fact that Seaside Play Park is in dire need of major upgrades in order to keep it functioning was noted and it was agreed that this should be made clear in order to engage the community in the project. Sue will take the lead in the steps to develop a not for profit group to spearhead

fundraising for the project, which will include a conversation with June Harding about the need for transparency as to the state of the facility.

Halloween Yard Decorating Contest – Fran stated that she has three cheques each for \$50 with which to purchase gift cards/certificates from three local businesses to be used as prizes, but that we still need to determine the winners. Fran opened the ballot bucket for the contest and Dawn read aloud the votes on each ballot, which Fran recorded as they were being read. It was agreed that the prize values would be set at \$75 for first place, \$45 for second place and \$30 for third place. As a result of the total votes the following winners were determined: first place to 18 North Street (Rhiannon Hinerman); second place to 401 Brighton Road (Margaret Chetwynd); and third place to 70 John Street (Charlene Boutilier).

Promotion – There was a brief discussion regarding the electronic notice board. It is unclear as to when it will be working again. Here it was noted that there should be a policy discussion regarding use of the electronic notice board in the future. The discussion moved on to Facebook pages and the need to trim down significantly on the number of pages used for promoting recreation activities. It was noted that the main page should be Lockeport Recreation and then individual activities should be set up as events. Sue agreed to come in to help Fran with cleaning up the number of Facebook pages and instituting the suggested changes.

New Business:

Christmas by the Sea - Fran distributed copies of the flyer for this year and then stated that after the flyer came out she arranged for a free skate to take place at the Shelburne County Arena on December 23. This event will be paid for through MYML funds. Fran also pointed out that a Gift Chip Bingo is part of this festival and will be held in the Rec. Centre on Saturday, November 30. Sue has offered to be the caller for this event, which will raise money for the Play Park and Fran asked everyone to see if they might have any gift type items to donate as prizes for this event.

Winterfest - Fran explained that she would like to attempt a Sensory Hour during a community event. A sensory hour is a dedicated period where individuals and families who need extra time, space, and compassion can participate comfortably. Fran believes that the Kids Carnival normally held during Winterfest would be a

great time to give this a try. In order to facilitate early planning for the event, Fran asked those present to help determine the dates for Winterfest in 2025. After a brief discussion it was agreed that this year's Winterfest will run for the week of March 3 to 9.

Art programming – Anna reported that she has been talking with Sarah Stuart about the possibility of using the Recreation Centre as a space in which to offer a variety of art based programs. Some of the suggestions were painting and charcoal drawing classes to be offered to all ages from children to seniors in different classes. Sarah has been trained through the Nova Scotia School of Art and Design (NSCAD) and operates a business under the name “Where Wild Art Grows”. The discussion focused on trying to offer the programs with affordable prices that may need to be subsidized. Fran was asked to speak with Sarah more about when and how we might proceed in hopes of getting classes started by January.

New members – It was noted that both Mary Meagher and Janice Fiske are interested in becoming members of the Recreation Committee and the following motion was forthcoming.

It was duly moved and seconded, that it be recommended to Council that Mary Meagher and Janice Fiske be appointed as members of the Recreation Committee. Motion carried.

Miracle on Dock Street float – Fran read aloud from an email she had been forwarded by June from Robin Smith, which asked if Lockeport would be participating again this year with Shelburne's Miracle on Dock Street. Dawn stated that last year she and Cory had taken his popcorn machine and other items to participate in the event. After a brief discussion it was agreed that with insufficient time to plan, there would be no float for the event this year.

Next Meeting:

The next regular meeting was scheduled to take place on Wednesday, December 18, 2024 at 6:00 p.m.



Adjournment:

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 8:40 p.m., November 20, 2024.

Respectfully submitted,

Frances Scott
Recording Secretary

Community Coordinator Report
October 19 - November 13, 2024

The following report provides notes relating to the major activities involved in my work over the past month. The report does not include minor day to day tasks such as office management, payroll submission and minor facility supervision duties.

General - Oct. 20 created Rec. Meeting agenda and sent out with meeting notices to Committee members, attended meeting and recorded meeting notes on Oct. 23, next day typed meeting notes and submitted to main office for inclusion in Council package for Oct. 28 meeting - Oct. 24 completed and submitted Community Coordinator report for Council packages - Nov. 14 Benn and I met with Mayor to outline things we are working on and projects we see coming up;

Communities on the Move pilot - Oct. 21 responded to Library email re: MYM at Work - Oct. 22 Benn and I installed wrenches on the bicycle fix-it station at Seacaps Park, later in the day attended on line meeting with Michelle Lincoln, Benn, Emily Swim and Mary Meagher to discuss MYM at Work in Lockeport - spoke with MaryAnn Swansburg on Oct. 23 about MYM at Work for Surf Lodge - Oct. 24 met with Benn to review and update draft Physical Activity Strategy - traveled to New Glasgow on Oct. 28 to attend NS Bike Summit and attend CoM meetings, which continued on Oct. 29 and 30 with more meetings and events in Antigonish – wrote and emailed MYML notice of meetings to Leadership team and Rec. Committee members on Nov. 1, then sent off Bike Summit follow up

survey along with note to seek hosting info for next year's summit – Nov. 6 set up Rec. Centre for Supper & Stroll event and got help from Jill to print maps for use at meeting, spoke with Emily about meal prep, later greeted participants and outlined process, led stroll around Trestle Trail Loop, then returned to Rec. Centre for debrief and made notes on map for lighting issues (10 participants) - Nov. 13 attended staff meeting for Surf Lodge and did presentation to those present regarding Make Your Move at Work;

Facilities - attended gymnasium booking meeting at LRHS on Oct. 21, next day went back and forth several times sorting out users for that evening - Oct. 23 got help from Wayne C. to fix Rec. Centre door locking mechanism – Nov. 5 got help from Dale to pick up garbage around Lighthouse stage – facilitated adult basketball use of LRHS gym for Nov. 8;

Accessibility - Oct. 21 managed hippocampe booking details for weekend, met with Natasha Richard on Oct. 26 to set her up with Hippocampe for use that afternoon (very positive feedback from user) - met with Michelle Vacon to review accessibility issues - had a call from Stacey at LRHS indicating that they could no longer store the parasport wheelchair – Nov. 1 checked in on current membership of ESCAA Committee membership to respond to email from June, then drafted and sent response – Nov. 6 attended on line meeting with Laura Beth MacPherson, Sherri Aikenhead, both of Accessibility Directorate and Michelle Vacon to discuss preparation for Nov. 26 presentation regarding our partnership with MDS and TOS for Accessibility planning – drew up organizational chart for ESCAAC – Nov. 12 sent notes to Adam, Jessie and Michelle to provide update and seek input for Nov. 26 presentation - Nov. 13 sent out promo emails to remind Council and local business and group reps of Engagement Sessions today, later helped Michelle prepare room for events, checked in on end of first session and later on beginning of second session (5 or six people present each time to take part), also worked on November 26 presentation for Accessibility Directorate;

Equity & Anti-Racism – Nov. 6 attended meeting in Shelburne with other municipal leads to work on timeline for April 1 deadline to complete plan – Nov. 7 attended on line Community of Practice with other leads (joined break out room for those working on EAR plan separate from Accessibility plan);

Programs - worked with high school and Mike MacLeod to book pickleball gym times, now on Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. and Sundays at 1:30 p.m.;

Tai Chi - Oct. 21 met with Pat Randel to make sure she knew that there would be no Tai Chi on Oct. 31 - back up and running on Nov. 7 for six weeks;

Sr. Bingo - Oct. 31 gathered and wrapped bingo prizes and set up Rec. Centre with help from Dale then called, later helped tidy up Rec. Centre and washed dishes (submitted \$51 on Nov. 4);

Grants - *Sr. Connections project* - Oct. 23 picked up sandwiches, cheese & crackers, then hosted meeting in Rec. Centre for project, later called Cheryl Graul to check on availability of bands she is in for entertainment schedule - Nov. 13 spoke with Red Cross rep to set time for Nov. 20 Emergency Planning Workshop, later in week created poster and Facebook posted same - Nov. 15 sent out email notices about Workshop and Senior Connections meeting about Vulnerable Persons Registry, processed several registrations subsequently;

Recreation Facility Development project - Oct. 24 had email indicating that our Ball Field project was being funded for an additional \$45,000 for this project (this will allow us to carry out the outfield portion of the Ball Field Upgrades project), followed up by telephone with Anna Haanstra the next day for a few clarifications (also talked about playground application and upcoming CoM meetings) – Nov. 1 contacted Craig MacDonald of Eastern Fence to talk about pricing for adding gates for several opening on field, then texted Tyler Harris to seek feedback around when he could carry out outfield work for project, then reached out to June to seek opportunity to meet about project to move forward with project paperwork and questions regarding finances – Nov. 6 revised project budget and sent with note to Anna Haanstra to seek feedback – Nov. 7 measured gate openings at ball field and looked at backstop issues, then followed up with Tyler Harris who indicated he could get started with filling depressions and screening and stockpiling topsoil over winter and then complete remaining work in spring, later spoke again with Anna H. (also update each other on LES Pad project issues)

New Horizons for Seniors (tennis courts) project – completed follow up survey Nov. 1 on line for project and spoke with June and Sue Crosby during process to get assistance with some of the answers – Nov. 8 gathered follow up materials for RFD and got help from Jill to put cheque numbers on copies of paid invoices for use in progress report, updated budget revisions and emailed to Anna H. with

signed and scanned terms and conditions (to initiate funds issue) – Nov. 12 resent RFD materials to June when I realized her copy of Friday's email had bounced; MDS Grants to Organizations – received email regarding meeting for changes to this program and replied to indicate I would like to attend info meeting coming up on Dec. 12;

Festivals - *Christmas by the Sea* - Oct. 24 sent out emails to local businesses and community groups seeking input for flyer - prepared and submitted cheque requisition to refund Brian Everrett's craft fair fees (he passed away) - Oct. 25 spoke with Terri Dean at LES to arrange for students to sign at Tree Lighting ceremony on Dec. 6 - responded to emails regarding flyer events over last few days of Oct. and first few days of Nov. – created emails and sent emails to business contacts and community groups to prompt them to get materials for Christmas by the Sea flyer in by the following Monday – handled craft fair registrations throughout month – Nov. 4 updated draft schedule and started drafting flyer content – Nov. 6 sent event list to June for posting on electronic board, Facebook posted for Craft Fair – completed flyer design Nov. 7 & 8, then met with Ulrich at Seeblick Print to arrange for printing 1100 copies, picked up flyers on Nov. 10 and bundled for delivery to Post Office to distribute to Lockeport, Sable and Jordan, then delivered on Nov. 12 with help from June who came to pay bill – Nov. 12 corresponded with several crafters to prepare for weekend event, later responded to email from Anna Chetwynd regarding set up times for Fire Hall on weekend

Halloween events - Oct. 24 created Facebook posts and printed posters to promote Yard Decorating Contest and Trick or Trunk (also used in bridge flyers), got help from Dale to distribute posters around town, sent posters for Halloween Yard Decorating and Trick or Trunk to Sobeys and Robin Smith for posting (Robin responded with a link to a site where we can now upload event information ourselves) - Oct. 25 prepared ballot bucket for Yard Decorating contest and placed in Town Market with ballots - picked up a bushel of apples and built a sucker tree for use at Town's trunk for Trick or Trunk – Nov. 1 Dale picked up voting bucket from Town Market for Yard Decorating Contest;

Community Support - Oct. 25 gathered materials and designed layout for flyer to bridge Fall Fest to start of Christmas by the Sea, got help from Jill to proofread and tend print 300 flyers, which were distributed with all students at LES and on

counters at local businesses and community meeting spaces - met with Terri Dean for update on project to replace pad in school playground;

Other Meetings, etc.:

- attended Y.S.M.R.A. meeting in Shelburne on Nov. 5;
- attended meeting in Shelburne to work on Physical Activity Strategy;
- half day medical leave October 21, 2024;

Respectfully submitted,

Frances H. Scott
Community Coordinator



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October 21, 2024

Via Email: Warren.MacLeod@municipalityofshelburne.ca

Warden Penny Smith, Municipality of Shelburne
Warden Eddie Nickerson, Municipality of Barrington
Mayor Rex Stoddard, Town of Clark's Harbour
Mayor Cory Nickerson, Town of Lockeport
Mayor Harald Locke, Town of Shelburne

Dear Wardens and Mayors:

Re: Request for an Organized Crime Unit in South West Nova Scotia

Thank you for your letter expressing concern regarding the rise in violence and criminal activities affecting our communities, particularly within the high-value fishing sectors in Nova Scotia. I am committed to addressing these serious issues.

The Department of Justice is currently undertaking a comprehensive policing review. This review aims to provide valuable insights into how policing should be delivered across the province, ensuring that our law enforcement delivery models are both effective and responsive to the needs of our communities.

We have shared similar concerns with the senior leadership of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), who have committed to working collaboratively towards mitigating and finding solutions to the growing issue of organized crime. This includes enhancing intelligence-sharing and cooperation with various agencies at all levels.

Your advocacy for a coordinated and multi-agency response is appropriate and in line with actions that are currently underway. The collaboration of agencies, both those directly involved in enforcement and those that may support enforcement measures, are crucial in the efforts to dismantle organized criminal networks. I am committed to supporting the swift and decisive action of all stakeholders to ensure the safety and security of our communities.

Thank you for highlighting this urgent matter. We stand ready to collaborate with your office to address these pressing needs and ensure a safer and more secure future for our communities.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Barbara Adams". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial 'B'.

Barbara Adams
Minister of Justice and Attorney General

June Harding

From: Marilyn Johnston <marilynjohnston@bellaliant.net>
Sent: Wednesday, November 20, 2024 11:57 AM
To: Adam Dedrick ; Amelie Daykin ; Amy MacKinnon; Because We Care Fund ; Cheryl Baker ; Chris Frotten; DoDo Goodwin; Eddie Nickeson ; June Harding; Kelly Goudie ; Kevin Grant; Lana Townsend ; Loretta Nickerson; Lucinda Montizambert ; M. Smith; Marilyn Johnston ; Mary Meagher; Mayor Cory Nickerson; Mayor Harold Locke; Mayor Rex Stoddard ; Nakita Davis; Peggy O'Malley ; Rally Point Retreat ; 'Robin Walker'; Sandy Green; Sarah Mattatal; Seonaid Dorey Wamback; Shawna Symonds; Skylar Pothier ; Tamara McIntyre; Town of Clark's Harbour ; Val Kean ; Warden Penny Smith; Warren MacLeod
Subject: Minutes November 19-24
Attachments: SCMH&WA Minutes November 19-24.docx

Good Morning All;

Attached are the Minutes from our November 19, 2024 meeting at the Shelburne Community Center.

Please note:

The next meeting January 21 at 10:30am in meeting room A of the Shelburne Community Center will be our last meeting.

We will be passing a special resolution to wind up and dissolve our Society.

Anyone that was a part of this organization over the years is invited to join us for this wrap up party. We will ask SASI to cater with sandwiches, sweets, and water.

It will be a celebration of what we were able to accomplish since August of 2017 (date of SCMH&WA Incorporation).

We are so pleased that the work we started with seniors will continue with Friendly Voice.

Marilyn Johnston, Secretary
Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association

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Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association
Minutes Tuesday November 19, 2024

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chairperson, Kevin Grant in Meeting Room A of the Shelburne Community Center.

Present: Kevin Grant, Chairperson; Marilyn Johnston, Secretary; Mary Meagher; Tamara McIntyre, Co-Warm Line Coordinator; Kelly Goudie, Health Promotion Specialist, Mental Health and Addictions

Regrets: Penny Smith, Treasurer and Warden Mun of Shelburne; Loretta Nickerson, Executive Director SASI

2. Minutes of May 21, 2024

The Minutes of September 18, 2024 were emailed out to members.

3. Grants Funding and Financials

- Age Friendly Grant – Kevin will have the accounting for this grant completed and submitted this week.
 - Community Health Board Wellness Funds – Kevin will send out the remaining Seniors Connect honorariums in Lunenburg County and then start the reports for submission.
- Seniors Connect NS Budget – Most of what is to be spent on the pilot project is already spent. Playing it as we go to be sure that our Association expenses are covered first.

4. Dealing with our remaining assets prior to dissolution

Chromebook- It was agreed that Tamara would purchase the chromebook from us by e-transfer for \$200.
Projector and screen with chords – Penny picked them up from Marilyn and took them to the Lions Club in Barrington.
Presentation whiteboard/easel – It was agreed to ask the Jevon Link Society, Elevateher, and Our House in that order if they would like to have it. Marilyn will send Kevin a picture of it for him to use to ask the groups if they would like to have it.

5. 211

Kevin had our Association and the Warm Line removed from 211.

6. Warm Line Report

Kevin updated the website noting that the Association will be dissolving in early 2025 and that the Warm Line users should seek alternative sources of support right away (provided a short list of options) Facebook accounts should probably be deleted in January or February.

A Friendly Voice (available 8am – 8pm daily) is in the process of taking over all of our senior clients. Another bonus besides operating 12 hours per day seven days per week of going with Friendly Voice is that the seniors can call them and they will call the seniors. The transitioning of seniors is going very well. Our remaining volunteers (3) have said they plan to volunteer with Friendly Voice. All the seniors should be transitioned by Christmas.

Tamara has changed all the messages on our phone lines and reduced the shift hours to 2 hours per shift. As expected our stats have dropped significantly although we do still get a few warm line calls.

It was agreed that those who have head sets that still work should keep them.

Kevin went over the steps to dissolve. We have the forms and will complete them at our last meeting on January 21/25. We will put forward a special resolution to dissolve at that meeting. Our assets and money should be gone by then. If there any monies remaining it was suggested to give it to the Jevon Link Society.

7. Seniors Connect NS Pilot Project

This pilot project went very well. It should be completed by the extended date of end of March/April 2025. The Working Group will prepare the stats, feedback, etc. in April to submit to Aging Well NS (formerly Community Links) who will prepare their own report to government. Our Association's involvement with this pilot project will end in January. Kevin and Tamara have both said they are willing to stay on the Working Group as individual volunteers after that.

8. NS Mental Health Knowledge Collaborative

Any front line mental health workers/volunteers are able to join and get updates directly.

9. NSH/Community Stakeholder

The next in person/on line meeting is December 2, 2024. The in person meeting alternates between the Roseway Hospital and Municipality of Shelburne offices.

10. Next and FINAL Meeting

Our last meeting will be Tuesday January 21 at 10:30am in Meeting Room A of the Shelburne Community Center. We will be passing a special resolution to wind up and dissolve our Society.

Anyone that was a part of this organization is invited to join us for this wrap up party. We will ask SASI to cater with sandwiches, sweets, and water.

It will be a celebration of what we were able to accomplish since August of 2017 (date of SCMH&WA Incorporation). We are so pleased that the work we started with seniors will continue with Friendly Voice.

11. Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned.



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Municipal Planning Strategy & Land Use By-Law

As mandated by the Province of Nova Scotia the Municipality is currently working to adopt its first municipal wide planning and zoning by-laws. Warden and Council invite everyone to participate in our public consultation sessions. Each meeting will use the same format with introductions by Warden Smith, a presentation and question answers session with our planner followed by smaller group discussions on specific key policy directions. **The DRAFT documents have NOT yet been endorsed by Council - your input is necessary to finalize the planning strategy & land use by-law.**

PUBLIC CONSULTATION SESSIONS



December 2, 2024

Hosted for District 3, 4 & 5
Open to all
Shelburne Regional High School
5 - 8pm
Snacks and Light Refreshments
***Recreational Childcare Available**



December 3, 2024

Hosted for District 1 & 2
Open to all
CGC Fire Hall
5 - 8pm
Snacks and Light Refreshments



December 4, 2024

Hosted for District 6 & 7
Open to all
Lockeport Fire Hall
5 - 8pm
Snacks and Light Refreshments



WEBINAR

November 28, 2024 at 7pm

We invite residents to attend a webinar focused on wind turbines and green energy. At this meeting, we will review a best practices report and discuss different options to regulate turbine locations.

Register for the webinar here:

https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_MrCioVbsQ5CJ4MbNj9TWog

ONE-ON-ONE MEETINGS

Our Planner is booking one-on-one appointments with residents who would like to discuss elements of the DRAFT plans privately. Please email nicole.blades@municipalityofshelburne.ca to book a meeting.

Shaping the future of Shelburne Municipality. We need to hear from you!

Until December 9, 2024, you can also email any feedback that you have regarding the DRAFT Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law documents to planshelburne@brighterplanning.ca

Key Policy Directions ⁽³⁶⁾



Renewable Energy

The land-use by-law will designate permissible areas for wind farm development within the Municipality and establish wind turbine setbacks based on industry best practices. This approach aims to balance the promotion of renewable energy with minimizing visual impact on residents. Additionally, the by-law will require any proposed wind farm to obtain an approved Provincial Environmental Assessment before receiving Municipal approval.



Coastal Protection

Owning or developing a property is a significant investment. Properties in the provincially designated coastal protection zones require extra attention due to the risks associated with coastal development. With guidance from Provincial government, we strive to balance development interests with environmental stewardship and public safety, promoting long-term resilience in coastal areas.



Wild Fire Protection

The land use by-law could include wildfire prevention measures by including road development standards and discouraging sprawl we can reduce wildfire exposure and make emergency response more effective in the event of a wildfire.



Housing

Nova Scotia is currently experiencing a housing crisis. A land use by-law can address housing challenges by implementing policies that encourage dense housing development, promote accessory dwellings and set minimum living standards.



Economic Development

With strategic industrial and commercial zoning this by-law can create an environment that attracts investment, supports business growth, and enhances the local economy.



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