



**TOWN OF LOCKPORT
COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY JUNE 10, 2024
MINUTES**

PRESENT: MAYOR CORY NICKERSON, DEPUTY MAYOR DAWN DEMINGS-TAYLOR, COUNCILLOR DAYLE ESHELBY, COUNCILLOR KENT BALISH, COUNCILLOR MARY MEAGHER, TOWN CLERK/TREASURER JUNE HARDING AND RECORDING SECRETARY JILL CASSIBO.

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nickerson at 6:00 p.m.

2. Silence Electronic Devices

All electronic devices were silenced at this time.

3. Approval of Agenda, including Additions or Deletions

06-10-24-01

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve the agenda for the June 10, 2024, Council meeting with one addition under correspondence. Motion Passed

4. Approval of Regular Council Minutes from May 27, 2024

06-10-24-02

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve the Minutes from the May 27, 2024, Regular Council Meeting, as circulated. Motion Passed

5. Community Forum (Open Mic)

- 20 Minutes Maximum
- Each resident is allowed 5 Minutes.
- 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.

6. Presentations

There were no presentations scheduled for today.

7. Finance

- List of Invoices already paid in the amount of \$69,877.13.

All questions concerning invoices were answered.

- Operating Budget 2024/2025
- Council Remuneration

06-10-24-03

It was duly moved and seconded that the 2024/2025 Council Remunerations remain the same: Mayor \$16,500; Deputy Mayor \$12,500, and Councillors \$11,500. Motion Passed

- Residential Tax Rate

06-10-24-04

It was duly moved and seconded that the Residential Tax Rate for the 2024/2025 fiscal year remain at \$2.40 per \$100 of assessment. Motion Passed

- Commercial Tax Rate

06-10-24-05

It was duly moved and seconded that the Commercial Tax Rate for the 2024/2025 Fiscal year remain at \$5.41per \$100 of assessment. Motion Passed

- Interest Rate on Outstanding Taxes

06-10-24-06

It was duly moved and seconded that the interest rate on outstanding Taxes remains at 16% per annum for the 2024/2025 Fiscal year. Motion Passed

- Approval of Operating Budget 2024/2025

06-10-24-07

It was duly moved and seconded that the Operating Budget be approved for 2024/2025, as presented. Motion Passed

8. Other Business

- Second & Final Reading to repeal the Town of Lockeport “Solid Waste Management By-Law” and adopt the new Shared Services “Solid Waste Management By-Law.”

06-10-24-08

It was duly moved and seconded that Council approve the Second & Final Reading to repeal the Town of Lockeport “Solid Waste Management By-Law” and approve the adoption of the new Shared Services “Solid Waste Management By-Law “. Motion Passed

9. Council Reports

- Mayor Cory Nickerson
 - o Lockeport & Area Canada Day Report, May 26, 2024
- Deputy Mayor Dawn DeMings-Taylor
- Councillor Dayle Eshelby
- Councillor Kent Balish
- Councillor Mary Meagher
 - o Shelburne County Mental Health & Wellness May 21, 2024

10. Correspondence

- Letter addressed to Councillor Eldon MacDonald, President of the Nova Scotia Association of Police Governance, from Barbara Adams, Attorney General and Nova Scotia Minister of Justice re: Policing Review update.
- Letter written to the Honourable Michelle Thompson, Minister of Health from the five Eastern Shelburne County Municipal Units regarding the Healthcare Services Analysis.
- Letter from David Lyons – noise complaint

Council instructed the Town Clerk/Treasurer to make an appointment with Mr. Lyons to meet with Council to discuss his concerns about the noise coming from the ventilation system at the Clearwater Plant.

11.Information Only

- Community Solar Program Overview

12.Date of next meeting

- June 24, 2024, at 1:00 p.m.

13.“In Camera”

- There was nothing for “In Camera.”

14.Adjournment

06-10-24-09

There being no further business, it was duly moved and seconded that this meeting was adjourned. Time 6:31 p.m.

Mayor, Cory Nickerson

Town Clerk/Treasurer, June Harding