



**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF YARMOUTH
Thursday, May 8, 2025**

A Committee of the Whole Meeting for the month of May 2025 was held in Council Chambers on Thursday, May 8, 2025.

1. The meeting was called to order at 5:00 p.m. by Warden John Cunningham with the following in attendance: Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham, Councillor Jim Baxter, Councillor Loren Cushing, Councillor Daniel Muise, Councillor Trevor Perry, Councillor Phil Mooney, CAO Victoria Brooks, and Jenny Porter, Deputy Municipal Clerk.

Greg Shay, Director of Finance, and Angelique LeBlanc, Deputy Director of Finance, were also present for a portion of the meeting.

2. **Land Acknowledgement** – I would like to begin by acknowledging that we are on the traditional lands of the Wasoqopa'q First Nation, part of Mi'kma'ki (meeg-ma-gee), the ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

3. **Additions/Deletions to the Agenda**

There were no additions or deletions.

4. **Approval of the Agenda**

It was moved by Councillor Daniel Muise, seconded by Councillor Loren Cushing to approve the agenda as circulated.

Motion carried.

5. **Approval of Minutes**

5.1 **March 19, 2025, Special COTW**

5.2 **April 10, 2025, COTW**

With no errors or omissions, the Chair declared the minutes approved.

6. **Declarations of any conflicts of interest**

There were no declarations of any conflicts of interest.

7. **Presentations**

There were no presentations.

8. Correspondence

8.1 For Action

8.1.1 Request for Financial Support for Ice Pad

It was moved by Deputy Trevor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Daniel Muise to recommend to Regular Council that the Municipality approve the Municipality's share of \$19,333.00 for the ice pad in Arena 1 at the Mariners Centre.

Motion carried.

8.1.2 MCA Code of Conduct Investigation Services

It was moved by Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Loren Cushing to table the item "MCA Code of Conduct Investigation Services" until the staff has reviewed all details about the correspondence.

Motion carried.

8.2 For Information

8.2.1 Beautification and Streetscaping Project and the Community Works Program

8.2.2 Inaugural arrival of luxury French cruise line Ponant this October

It was moved by Councillor Phil Mooney, seconded by Councillor Trevor Perry to recommend to Regular Council that staff invite Neil MacKenzie, CEO of Yarmouth and Acadian Shores Tourism Association (YASTA) to make a presentation to the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried.

8.2.3 Municipal Affairs Fire Records Management System

8.2.4 Invitation to Home Hardware Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

8.2.5 Invitation to Spring Fest – Kemptville Betterment Society

8.2.6 Invitation to Yarmouth Cadets 2025 Annual Review

8.2.7 Congratulations from Accessibility Directorate

8.2.8 Fire Department Annual Reports

8.2.8.1 Lake Vaughn Volunteer Fire Department

8.2.8.2 Port Maitland Volunteer Fire Department

8.2.8.3 Lakes & District Fire Department

8.2.8.4 Carleton & District Volunteer Fire Department

There was a discussion about raising awareness regarding the importance of correctly posting civic number signs for emergency services. The CAO indicated the Communications Officer will run a campaign.

8.2.9 Emergency Preparedness Week

It was moved by Councillor Phil Mooney, seconded by Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham that the correspondence be received and placed on file.

Motion carried.

9. Old Business

9.1 Legislative Agenda Amendments

It was moved by Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Jim Baxter to recommend to Regular Council that the amendments to the 2025 Legislative Agenda be discussed and potentially approved.

Motion carried.

10. New Business

10.1 Draft 2025-2026 Operating Budget

Greg Shay and Angelique Leblanc joined the meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Greg Shay and Angelique LeBlanc presented Council with the draft 2025-2026 Operating Budget.

Council discussed the increases related to protective services and garbage collection.

It was moved by Councillor Phil Mooney, seconded by Councillor Daniel Muise to recommend to Regular Council approval of the draft 2025-2026 Operating Budget.

Motion carried.

11. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

It was moved by Councillor Phil Mooney, seconded by Councillor Loren Cushing to hold a 5-minute recess.

Motion carried.

The Chair called the meeting back to order at 5:57 p.m.

12. In-Camera

It was moved by Councillor Loren Cushing, seconded by Councillor Phil Mooney to move in-camera at 5:57 p.m.

Motion carried.

12.1.1 Personnel – MGA 22:2 (c)

12.1.2 Contract Negotiations – MGA 22:2 (e)

Consensus was reached by Council at 6:46 p.m. to move out of in-camera.

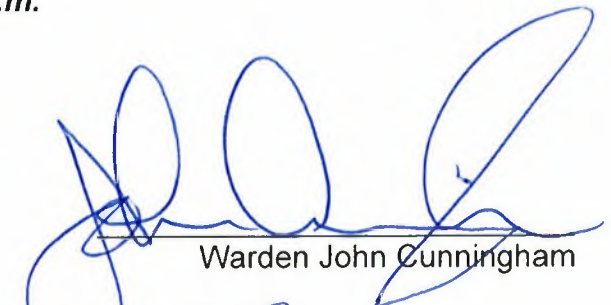
The Chair called the meeting back to order at 6:46 p.m.

13. In-Camera Recommendations

There were no in-camera recommendations.

14. Adjournment

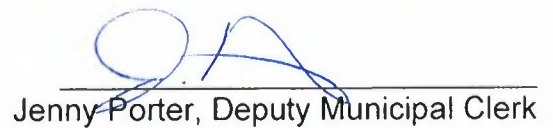
The Chair adjourned the meeting at 6:46 p.m.



Warden John Cunningham



Victoria Brooks, CAO



Jenny Porter, Deputy Municipal Clerk