

September 2024 Fast Facts from Council Chambers

"Fast Facts from Council Chambers" is a quick summary of some key takeaways from Council meetings held in September 2024. For more background information, use the links below each list of motions to find agenda packages and meeting recordings.

Motions from the Sept. 17 Special Council meeting:

Municipal Council passed motions approving the following actions:

- Adopt Policy HR-06-19: Non-Union Salary Administration.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to Policy ADMIN-01-008 Time of Council Meetings.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to Policy ADMIN-01-010 Presentations to Committee of the Whole.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to ADMIN-01-014: Parental Accommodations for Elected Officials.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to Policy PRO-10-003: Fire and Emergency Services Providers Registration.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to Policy FIN-05-018: Community Grants as detailed in a Sept. 17 Request for Decision, with additional changes as determined by Council.
- Direct the CAO to consider increasing the amount for Councillor Grants to Organizations from the current allocation to \$9,100 per Councillor in the next budget round.
- Provide seven days' notice to repeal Policies HR-06-004: Sexual Harassment and HR-06-005: Workplace Harassment – Discrimination and adopt Policy HR-06-023: Respectful Workplace.
- Provide \$25,000 in funding spread out over a two-year period starting 2025/26 to support the Nova Scotia Quality of Life initiative.
- Approve the release of \$675,002 to Housing Nova Scotia related to contribution amounts withheld from fiscal years 2019-20 to 2022-23.
- Provide seven days' notice to adopt Policy FIN-05-028: Budget Management.

- Provide seven days' notice to repeal Planning Policies PLAN-09-001: Planning Policies and PLAN-09-002: Area Advisory Committee and adopt Policies PLAN-09-004: Administration of Planning Matters and PLAN-09-005: Public Participation Program.
- Provide seven days' notice to make changes to Policy PLAN-09-003: Planning Advisory Committee.
- Direct the Mayor to write a letter on Council's behalf to express dissatisfaction with the recent cellphone announcement and request justification of why the Municipality was omitted from the Cellular for Nova Scotia Program.
- Direct the Mayor to write a letter to the Provincial Government to urge for a quicker rebuild of the road in Halls Harbour.
- Authorize the Mayor and CAO to execute, and have registered with the Registrar of Joint Stock Companies, an agreement between Annapolis Valley First Nation, Glooscap First Nation and the Municipality of the County of Kings that establishes a body corporate (Meadowview Community Solar Garden Authority) to construct, own and operate a utility-scale solar photovoltaic electricity facility in Meadowview, Kings County.
- Authorize the CAO to transfer title to PID 55049035 and any interests held related to the abandoned section of Tupper Road that have been, or will be, transferred to the Municipality by the Province of Nova Scotia to the Meadowview Community Solar Garden Authority for purposes described in the Sept. 17 Request for Decision.
- Authorize the CAO to apply under the Nova Scotia Community Solar Program with the understanding that Municipal Council approval is required before executing a Power Purchase Agreement and any related financial guarantees.

More background information can be found in the <u>agenda package</u> and <u>video recording of the</u> <u>Sept. 17 Committee of the Whole and Special Council meetings</u>.

Motions from the Sept. 3 Municipal Council meeting:

Municipal Council passed motions approving the following actions:

- Give First Reading to, and hold a Public Hearing regarding, proposed housekeeping changes to the text of the Land Use By-law and Municipal Planning Strategy.
- Give Second Reading to repeal By-law 82, the Police Services Advisory Committee By-law of the Municipality of the County of Kings, and adopt By-law 111, Police Advisory Board.
- Give Second Reading to adopt the Property Assessed Clean Energy Program By-law, Bylaw 112.
- Table the motion related to By-law 113: Deed Transfer Tax until the January 2025 Council meeting.
- Adopt Policy ADMIN-01-023: Council Conference Attendance and Professional Development.

- Adopt Policy ADMIN-01-024: Asset Naming.
- Proclaim Sept. 23-29, 2024, as "Right to Know Week" in the Municipality.
- Provide seven days' notice to amend Policy HR-06-19: Non-Union Salary Administration.
- Direct the Chief Administrative Officer to submit the list of recommended J-Class Roads for paving in the Sept. 3, 2024, Request for Decision to the Nova Scotia Department of Public Works under a cost-share agreement for fiscal year 2025-26.
- Approve the conveyance of PID 55549133 and PID 55541726 and any structures located on these properties to the Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre, or its successor.
- Approve the execution of a lease agreement with the Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre, or its successor, for land on PID 55282545 related to existing well infrastructure used by Kings Regional Rehabilitation Centre.

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