

TOWN OF NEW GLASGOW
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MONDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2022

A Committee of the Whole meeting of New Glasgow Town Council was held on Monday, February 14, 2022, at 6:35 p.m. using the Microsoft Teams platform. Present were: Mayor Dicks; Deputy Mayor Dorrington, Councillors Borden, Fraser, Peters, El-Haddad, and MacDonald. Also present were: Lisa MacDonald, CAO; Earl MacKenzie, Town Engineer; Derek Eisan, Director of Information Technology; Thiv Tharma, Director of Community Development; Corey Smith, Director of Corporate Services; Ross White, Director of Fire, Inspection and Emergency Services; Rachel Mitchell, Sustainability and Climate Change Manager; Kelly Sloan, Executive Assistant, and Frank DeMont, Solicitor.

AGENDA

It was regularly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried.

MATTERS FOR SENIOR STAFF

SALT USAGE 2021-2022 SEASON

Council reviewed a memo from the Town Engineer showing the summary of the salt usage this winter. The reason for the significant increase in salt prices is that salt must be purchased and trucked from downtown Halifax. Windsor Salt stockpiled salt in the summer of 2021 in preparation for a labour disruption. Salt was shipped from the Magdalen Islands and stored on a pier in Halifax. The total spent to date on salt is \$193,892.85 with a budget amount of \$200,000.00.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the memo be placed on file.

Motion carried.

Councillor MacDonald asked how the salt shed was holding up.

The Town Engineer stated that it is well past its useful life. He hopes to construct the salt shed to the new facility on East River Road or the Shaw property on Park Street.

Councillor MacDonald suggested that it be placed on the additional land that was purchased behind the facility on East River Road.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

LIBRARY REPORT

Council reviewed a report regarding the activities of the New Glasgow Library.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the report be placed on file.

Motion carried.

Councillor Fraser recommended a letter be sent to the folks at PARL thanking them for their exceptional service to the residents of the Town of New Glasgow.

NEW BUSINESS

INFRASTRUCTURE PRIORITIES

Council reviewed a memo from the CAO stating that on February 3 the Province issued a call for applications for infrastructure funding. In 2019 the Town applied for two infrastructure projects however the applications were not advanced for funding by the Province. A Council resolution indicating the priorities for the Town is required as part of the application to apply for these projects in this new round.

It was regularly moved and seconded that the Abercrombie Road Waterline Replacement and the South End Storm Sewer Separation be approved as the priority infrastructure projects for the Town.

Motion carried.