



WEST HANTS  
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**MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST HANTS  
Special Council Minutes  
April 24, 2018 5:00 p.m.  
Sanford Council Chambers**

1. Call to Order

Warden Zebian called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. Call of Roll

Present:	A. Zebian	Warden
	R. Jannasch	Councillor District 1
	K. Monroe	Councillor District 2
	D. Keith	Councillor District 3
	T. Leopold	Councillor District 4
	D. Francis	Councillor District 5
	R. Hussey	Councillor District 6
	J. Daniels	Councillor District 7 (arrived at 5:13 p.m.)
	P. Morton	Deputy Warden
	M. Laycock	Chief Administrative Officer/Director of Finance
	M. LeMay	Director of Planning and Development
	C. Lowe	Municipal Accountant
	R. Brown	Municipal Clerk
	C. Remme	Executive Assistant/Communications Coordinator

Regrets: R. Zwicker Councillor District 10

There was one members of the public in attendance.

3. Announcements

Warden Zebian welcomed everyone to the meeting and reviewed the fire evacuation procedures. He went on to say that the meeting is being live streamed on Facebook noting that any comments made on-line during the meeting will not be monitored.

Councillor Leopold let Council know of Lucas Hilden, a grade seven student from West Hants Middle School, who was one of four students in the Annapolis Valley Regional School Board chosen to attend the Canada Wide Science Fair. She went on to say that the event will be taking place in Ottawa from May 12-19<sup>th</sup>.

Councillor Monroe mentioned the Grand Opening of Makers taking place on Saturday, April 28<sup>th</sup> with an Open House from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. with a reception following from 7 p.m.-10 p.m. The Councillor went on to speak of the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Great Little Art Show beginning May 4<sup>th</sup> in Avondale.

4. Approval of Agenda, including additions or deletions

**MOVED and SECONDED that the agenda be approved as circulated.  
Motion Carried.**

5. Report(s) of the Committee(s) and Officer(s)

- a. Committee of the Whole
  - i. April 17, 2018 Excerpts

Brooklyn Fire Department

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council reduce the Brooklyn Fire Department's Public Events budget from \$6800 to \$3500.  
Motion Carried.**

Councillors Keith, Francis, and Leopold voted nay.

2018-19 Budget

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Operating Budget as presented outlining total general rate budgeted expenses and transfers for the community of Hantsport of \$699,816.  
Motion Carried.**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Capital Budget as presented.  
Motion Carried.**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Reserves Budget as presented.**

**Motion Carried.**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Three Mile Plains Water Utility Budget as presented.**

**Motion Carried.**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Falmouth Water Utility Budget as presented.**

**Motion Carried.**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council approve the 2018-19 Hantsport Water Utility Budget as presented.**

**Motion Carried.**

**Fees Policy Amendment**

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council amend the Fees Policy COFN-005.03 to reflect the amendments as shown in the attachment to the Fees Policy Amendment Recommendation Report presented to Committee of the Whole on April 17, 2018.**

**Motion Carried.**

**Town of Windsor Correspondence – April 17, 2018**

**MOVED and SECONDED that the Warden be directed to act as a liaison between the Town of Windsor and the Windsor Agricultural Society regarding rental fee of the Exhibition Arena.**

Councillor Francis questioned if the Municipality should get involved as she was under the understanding that an agreement had been reached between the Town of Windsor and the Windsor Agricultural Society.

Councillor Leopold added that she did not understand why the Municipality would get involved in the negotiations of two other parties. She went on to say that she would not support the motion as it did not involve the Municipality. Councillor Keith and Councillor Hussey agreed with the Councillor.

**Motion Defeated unanimously.**

- 6. Miscellaneous / New Business
  - a. Taxing Resolutions
    - i. Taxing Resolution 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that the sums that are required for the lawful purposes of the Municipality of the District of West Hants for the year 2018-2019 after crediting the probable revenue from all sources other than the general rates for the year and making the allowance for the abatement and losses that may occur in the collection of taxes and taxes for the current year that may not be collected or collectable is \$15,924,384 and this Council hereby authorizes the levying and collection of a general tax rate of one dollar and eight zero cents (\$1.80) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed value of commercial property and the assessed value of residential property and general resource property that will equal one dollar and zero one six three cents (\$1.0163) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessment on residential and general resource property.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the sums that are required for the lawful purposes of the Community of Hantsport for the year 2018-2019 after crediting the probable revenue from all sources other than the area rates for the year and making the allowance for the abatement and losses that may occur in the collection of taxes and taxes for the current year that may not be collected or collectable is \$699,816 and this Council hereby authorizes the levying and collection of an area rate tax of two dollars and zero two cents (\$2.02) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessed value of commercial property and the assessed value of residential property and general resource property that will equal point six four three seven cents (\$0.6437) per one hundred dollars (\$100) of the assessment on residential and general resource property.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the taxpayers in the said Municipality are required to pay the whole of their taxes on or before the 1st day of September, A.D., 2018 provided that if the total amount of taxes owing not be paid in full on or before the 1st day of September, A.D., 2018 the balance of current and prior years taxes then owing will bear interest at a rate of 15% per annum, such rate to be calculated monthly at the end of each month at a rate of 1.25% until the sums are paid.**

**TAX DUE DATE – SEPTEMBER 1, 2018**

**Motion Carried.**

ii. Falls Lake West Owner's Association Uniform Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 81 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Municipality of the District of West Hants:**

**Authorizes the levying and collection, for purposes of private road maintenance, a uniform charge of \$210.00 (inclusive of HST) per member for the year ending March 31, 2019 and such amount collected less 10% plus HST administration fees shall be forwarded to the Falls Lake West Owner's Association.**

**Motion Carried.**

iii. Blomidon View Resident's Association Uniform Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 81 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Municipality of the District of West Hants:**

**Authorizes the levying and collection, for the purpose of private road maintenance, a uniform charge of \$105.00 per share based on an undeveloped lot (1 share) and \$420.00 based on a developed lot (4 shares) for the year ending March 31, 2019 and such amounts collected, less 10% plus HST administration fees, be forwarded to the Blomidon View Resident's Association.**

**Motion Carried.**

iv. Chalet Hamlet Property Owner's Association Uniform Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 81 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Municipality of the District of West Hants:**

**Authorizes the levying and collection, for purposes of private road maintenance, a uniform charge of \$276.00 plus HST per member for the year ending March 31, 2019 and such amount collected less 10% plus HST administration fees shall be forwarded to the Chalet Hamlet Property Owner's Association.**

**Motion Carried.**

v. Chateau Village Property Owner's Association Uniform Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 81 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Municipality of the District of West Hants:**

**Authorizes the levying and collection, for purposes of private road maintenance, a uniform charge of \$405.30 plus HST per member for the year ending March 31, 2019 and such amount collected less 10% plus HST administration fees shall be forwarded to the Chateau Village Property Owners' Association.**

**Motion Carried.**

vi. North Canoe Lake Cottage Owners Association Uniform Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED BE IT RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 81 of the Municipal Government Act, the Council of the Municipality of the District of West Hants:**

**Authorizes the levying and collection, for the purpose of private road maintenance, a uniform charge of \$56.10 for properties before the bridge on Canoe Lake Cove Road and \$224.20 for properties beyond the bridge on the same road for the year ending March 31, 2019 and such amounts collected, less 10% plus HST administration fees, be forwarded to the North Canoe Lake Cottage Owners Association.**

Councillor Daniels questioned the reason behind the two different charges. CAO Laycock responded that it was the request of the Owners Association.

**Motion Carried.**

vii. Hantsport Memorial Community Centre Area Rate Charge 2018-2019

**MOVED and SECONDED that Council support the area rate for the Hantsport Memorial Community Centre in the following amounts: Residential - \$0.0502 per \$100 of Taxable Assessment and Commercial - \$0.1575 per \$100 of Taxable Assessment for a combined total of \$54,560, for fiscal year April 1, 2018 to March 31, 2019.**

**Motion Carried.**

7. Date of Next Meeting – May 8, 2018

The next Regular Council meeting will be held May 8, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.

8. Adjournment

**MOVED and SECONDED that the meeting be adjourned.**

**Motion Carried.**

The meeting adjourned at 5:18 p.m.

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Abraham Zebian, Warden

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Rhonda Brown, Municipal Clerk