



WEST HANTS
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**MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF WEST HANTS
Public Hearing
March 12, 2019**

Sewerage and Stormsewer Connection, Discharge and Charges By-law

Present:	A. Zebian	Warden
	P. Morton	Deputy 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
	R. Zwicker	Councillor District 10
	M. Laycock	Chief Administrative Officer
	C. Rochon	Director of Finance
	M. Lemay	Director of Planning and Development
	S. Shah	Municipal Planner
	B. Carrigan	Director of Public Works
	R. Brown	Municipal Clerk
	C. Remme	Communications Coordinator

There were 9 members of the public in attendance.

Warden Zebian advised that the Public Hearing, required under the Municipal Government Act and hosted by Council, provides members of the public with an opportunity to bring forward concerns and ask staff questions regarding the proposed By-law. He went on to say that upon completion of the Public Hearing, the Council meeting will resume, and members of Council may then ask questions and make comments.

Warden Zebian called on Municipal Clerk, Rhonda Brown, to speak on the By-law. The Municipal Clerk reviewed the presentation (attached).

Warden Zebian asked if there were any additional questions or comments from the public. There were none.

Warden Zebian declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Paul Morton, Deputy Warden

Rhonda Brown, Municipal Clerk



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**S-003 Sewerage and
Stormsewer Connection,
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Public Hearing**

Background

- ❖ There are currently 2 separate Sewer By-laws that oversee the operations of three sewer collection systems and their treatment, the West Hants Sewer By-law approved March 13, 2007 and the Hantsport Sewer By-law approved October 6, 1987
- ❖ The Town of Windsor provides sewage treatment for the Three Mile Plains Collection System and Kings County provides sewage treatment for the Hantsport Sewage Collection System.
- ❖ On December 11, 2018 Council approved combining the three sewer systems of Falmouth, Hantsport and Falmouth into one, so charges all three systems would be the same and be based on a percentage of water consumption.

Why the new Sewer By-law?

- ❖ To combine the 2 current sewer by-laws into one, for better administration.
- ❖ To ensure that requirements of the Town of Windsor and Municipality of the County of Kings is reflected in the by-law as they treat some of the sewerage that is collected.
- ❖ Update existing operational practices.
- ❖ Ensure the ability to implement Council's preferred rate structure based on water consumption.

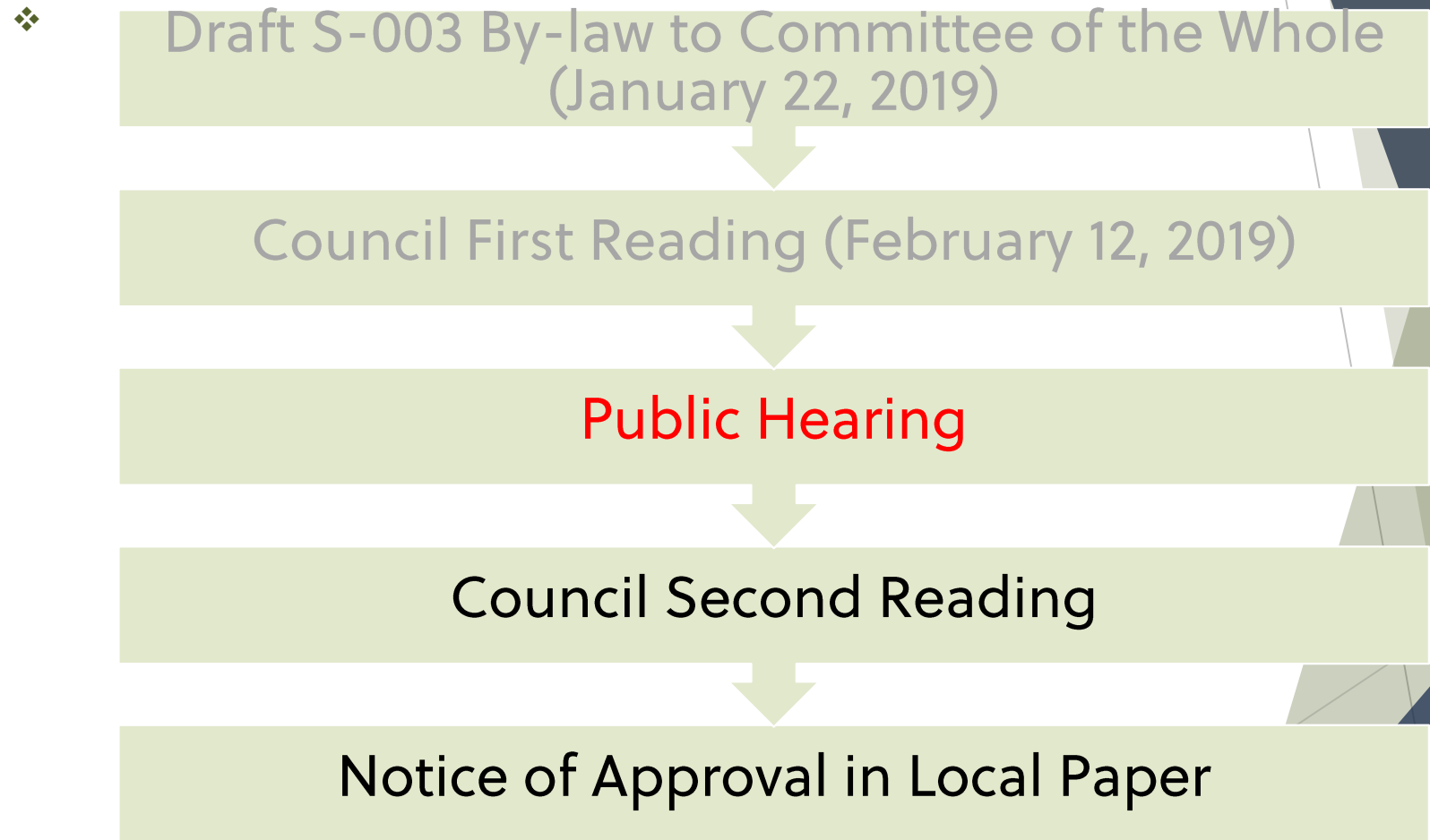
Significant Changes Proposed under the New Sewerage and Stormsewer Connection, Discharge and Charges By-law, S-003

- ❖ Approval for new connections and sewer line is by the Engineer.
- ❖ Committee of the Whole would be responsible for hearing appeals of any decision issues by the Engineer.
- ❖ All assessed property within 100 feet of a sewer main would be required to connect to the sewer and pay applicable charges, except if exempt by the Engineer.
- ❖ Specifies chemical and temperature limits for matter discharged.
- ❖ Requirement of a annual Industrial Waste Report from current and new customers who discharge by-products or material after any manufacturing or processing.

- ❖ Provides 3 options for the application of annual charges
- ❖ Provides for a Sanitary Sewerage Rebate for customer who use over 1000 cubic metres of water and can prove that not all be being discharged in the sewer.

Approval Procedure

- ❖ Notices of the Public Hearing were placed in the February 26, 2019 edition of the Valley Journal Advertiser and on the Municipal website and Facebook.





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Suggested Recommendation

...that Council approve Second Reading of the Sewerage and Stormwater Connection, Discharge and Charges By-law, S-003 as presented at the Committee of the Whole on January 22, 2019.