



**WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY
Special Council - Meeting Agenda
May 11, 2021 – Immediately following Committee of the Whole
Virtual via Zoom
(also FB Livestream)**

- 1. Call to Order**
- 2. Attendance**
- 3. Approval of the Agenda**
- 4. Declaration(s) of Conflict of Interest**
- 5. Announcements**
- 6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes**
- 7. 20 Main Street, Hantsport (Municipal Complex)**
- 8. Avon River Causeway Gate**
- 9. Next Meeting Date / Adjournment**



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Special Council - Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2021 – 9:15 p.m.
Virtual via Zoom
(also FB Livestream)

1. Call to Order – Mayor Zebian called the meeting to order at 9:15pm.

2. Attendance

Council Present:

Abraham Zebian, Mayor
Rupert Jannasch, Councillor, Dist. 1
Scott McLean, Councillor, Dist. 2
Mark McLean, Councillor, Dist. 3
Jeff Hartt, Councillor, Dist. 4
Debbie Francis, Councillor, Dist. 5

Paul Morton, Deputy Mayor, Dist. 8
Bob Morton, Councillor, Dist. 6
Ed Sherman, Councillor, Dist. 7
Richard Murphy, Councillor, Dist. 9
Laurie Murley, Councillor, Dist. 10
Jim Ivey, Councillor, Dist. 11

Staff and Guests Present:

Mark Phillips, CAO
Shelleena Thornton, Administrative
Supervisor
Madelyn LeMay, Dir. Planning &
Development
VanEssa Roberts, Mgr. Community
Economic Development (joined 8:36pm)

Todd Richard, Dir. Public Works
Carlee Rochon, Dir. Financial Services
Kathy Kehoe, Dir. Community
Development

3. Approval of the Agenda, including additions or deletions
This special meeting is called to address two matters: 20 Main Street, Hantsport
Purchase and Sale, and the Avon River Causeway Gate Letter to Minister Jordan

**MOVED BY COUNCILLOR SHERMAN AND DEPUTY MAYOR P.
MORTON THAT THE AGENDA BE APPROVED. MOTION
CARRIED**

4. Declaration(s) of Conflict of Interest

Councillors Jeff Hartt and S. McLean declared conflict of interest on the Avon River
Causeway matter. S. McLean indicated he owned land along the Avon and J. Hartt
indicated due to ancestral reasons.

5. Announcements – None

6. Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes – None

7. 20 Main Street, Hantsport (Municipal Complex)

MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR P. MORTON AND COUNCILLOR MURLEY THAT COUNCIL DIRECT THE CAO TO EXECUTE THE PURCHASE AND SALE AGREEMENT FOR 20 MAIN STREET, HANTSPORT AS DISCUSSED DURING THE MAY 11, 2021 COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE IN-CAMERA. MOTION CARRIED

8. Avon River Causeway Gate – Councillors S. McLean and Hartt left the meeting during this matter, declaring conflict of interest.

MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR MORTON AND COUNCILLOR MURLEY THAT COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMEND TO COUNCIL TO SEND A LETTER TO THE MINISTER OF FISHERIES, OCEANS AND THE CANADIAN COAST GUARD, THE HONOURABLE BERNADETTE JORDAN, SPEAKING ON BEHALF OF THE IMPACTED RESIDENTS OF THE WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY, REQUESTING THAT THE MINISTERIAL ORDER ISSUED THIS SPRING SET TO EXPIRE ON MAY 18, 2021 NOT BE RENEWED.

FURTHER

NOTING THAT THE DISCONTINUATION OF THE MINISTERIAL ORDER WILL PERMIT THE OPERATION OF THE AVON RIVER CAUSEWAY GATES IN WINDSOR TO RESUME IN THE SAME MANNER IT HAS SINCE ITS CONSTRUCTION IN 1970, AIMED TO PROTECT THE COMMUNITY OF WINDSOR AND OTHER AREAS OF THE WEST HANTS REGIONAL MUNICIPALITY FROM THE NEGATIVE IMPACTS OF THE LOSS OF A RELIABLE BACK UP WATER SUPPLY FOR FIRE FIGHTING PURPOSES, SOCIAL/ECONOMIC IMPACTS, ENVIRONMENTAL/HEALTH IMPACTS, POTENTIAL LOSS OF BUSINESS, AND THE POTENTIAL LOSS OF TAX REVENUE FROM DECREASED ASSESSMENTS UNTIL SUCH TIME AS AN ACCEPTABLE SOLUTION IS IDENTIFIED BY DFO.

FURTHER

THIS REQUEST IS IN KEEPING WITH THE AUTHORITY THE MINISTER MAY EXERCISE AS STATED IN THE FEDERAL FISHERIES ACT, SPECIFICALLY REFERENCED IN SECTION 2.5 ARTICLES (E) AND (G) AND SECTION 34.1 ARTICLE (H);

2.5 EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS ACT, WHEN MAKING A DECISION UNDER THIS ACT, THE MINISTER MAY CONSIDER, AMONG OTHER THINGS,

(E) COMMUNITY KNOWLEDGE;

(G) SOCIAL, ECONOMIC AND CULTURAL FACTORS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF FISHERIES;

34.1 (1) BEFORE RECOMMENDING TO THE GOVERNOR IN COUNCIL THAT A REGULATION BE MADE IN RESPECT OF SECTION 34.4, 35 OR 35.1, OR UNDER SUBSECTION 35.2(10), 36(5), OR (5.1), PARAGRAPH 43(1)(B.2) OR SUBSECTION 43(5) OR BEFORE EXERCISING ANY POWER UNDER SUBSECTION 34.3(2), (3) OR (7), PARAGRAPH 34.4(2)(B) OR (C), SUBSECTION 34.4(4), PARAGRAPH 35(2)(B) OR (C) OR SUBSECTION 35(4), 35.1(3), 35.2(7) OR 36(5.2), OR UNDER SUBSECTION 37(2) WITH REGARD TO AN OFFENCE UNDER SUBSECTION 40(1), THE MINISTER, PRESCRIBED PERSON OR PRESCRIBED ENTITY, AS THE CASE MAY BE, SHALL CONSIDER THE FOLLOWING FACTORS:

(H) ANY OTHER FACTOR THAT THE MINISTER CONSIDERS RELEVANT. MOTION CARRIED (Nays: Councillor Ivey)

Councillor Ivey asked his objection be noted and said this motion suggests that the Ministerial Order lacks compromise when there is lack of compromise all around. There is lack of mitigation compromise. There are methods of mitigation to draw water from the hydrants from across the bridge. There are means to address the dry hydrants issues.

- 9. Next Meeting Date / Adjournment** – Next regular meeting of council - 6pm May 25th.

MOVED BY COUNCILLORS B. MORTON AND SHERMAN THAT THE MEETING ADJOURN AT 9:19PM. MOTION CARRIED.

Mayor Abraham Zebian

CAO/Clerk Mark Phillips