

Eastern District Planning Commission
Thursday, January 13, 2022
Video Conference Meeting
Minutes

PRESENT: Warden Bruce Morrison, Vice-Chair
Councillor Catherine Gillis, Chair
Deputy Mayor Jason Aucoin
Mayor Laurie Boucher
Warden Laurie Cranton
Councillor Mary Farrell
Councillor Bill MacFarlane
Councillor Mark MacIver
Councillor Perla MacLeod
Councillor Harris McNamara
Warden Amanda Mombourquette
Councillor Shawn Samson
Mr. Glenn Horne, Advisor
Mr. Jeffery Lawrence, Advisor
Mr. Keith MacDonald, Advisor
Ms. Leanne MacEachen, Advisor

STAFF: John Bain, Director
Tammy MacLellan

REGRETS: Mr. Terry Doyle, Advisor
Mr. Don Marchand, Advisor

1.0 Call to Order:

Warden Bruce Morrison called the meeting to order at 1:02 p.m.

2.0 Welcome and Appointment of Chair – Councillor Catherine Gillis:

Mr. John Bain welcomed Councillor Catherine Gillis to the board meeting. Since the retirement of Councillor Alfred Poirier on December 31, 2021, Councillor Catherine Gillis has been appointed to serve on the Eastern District Planning Commission Board.

Motion to appoint Councillor Catherine Gillis, Municipality of the County of Inverness, as Chairperson of the Eastern District Planning Commission. Moved by Warden Laurie Cranton seconded by Councillor Harris McNamara. **Motion carried.**

Warden Bruce Morrison agreed to chair the board meeting.

3.0 Items Added to the Agenda:

There were no items added to the agenda.

Motion to approve the agenda as presented. Moved by Mayor Laurie Boucher, seconded by Councillor Bill MacFarlane. **Motion carried.**

4.0 Review of Minutes:

The Board reviewed the minutes of November 18, 2021.

Motion to accept the minutes as presented. Moved by Warden Laurie Cranton, seconded by Councillor Perla MacLeod. **Motion carried.**

5.0 Director's Report:

1.1 2022 – 2023 Operating Estimates

Mr. John Bain met with the CAO's and Municipal Clerk, and reviewed the 2022 – 2023 operating estimates. The draft budget was presented and reviewed with the Board.

At the request of the CAO's and Municipal Clerk, the Municipal Infrastructure Program (MIP) expenses and funding were added to the current year's budget. The MIP funding consists of 75% from the Province and the remaining 25% from the Commission's surplus.

Motion to accept the amended 2021 – 2022 budget, reflecting the MIP funding, and the operating budget for 2022 – 2023 as presented. Moved by Councillor Mark MacIver, seconded by Councillor Mary Farrell. **Motion carried.**

1.2 Plan Eastern Nova - Updates

Upland considered having additional workshops in the coming months as a second opportunity for members of the public to be involved. However, with the pandemic, the in-person workshops are not practical at this time. Upland is now considering hosting virtual workshops and to be less firm with the final draft. They may repurpose the final open houses as workshops.

The progress reports for November and December were provided to the Board.

1.3 Employee Recognition Awards

In accordance with the Commission's personnel policy, a thirty-year service award was presented to Wanda Ryan, Senior Development Officer and a ten-year service award was presented to Sean Donovan, Manager Inspection Services, in December 2021.

Motion to send congratulations, on behalf of the board, to Ms. Ryan and Mr. Donovan. Moved by Mayor Laurie Boucher, seconded by Warden Laurie Cranton. **Motion carried.**

Staff Activity:

Staff Activity – Major Projects and Municipal Planning Processes, Plan Amendments, Rezoning, Policy Changes and Miscellaneous Projects were reviewed.

Motion to accept the Director's Report as presented. Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Councillor Perla MacLeod. **Motion carried.**

6.0 Correspondence and Documentation:

Correspondence and Documentation were reviewed.

7.0 Discussion – Items added to the Agenda:

There were no items added to the agenda.

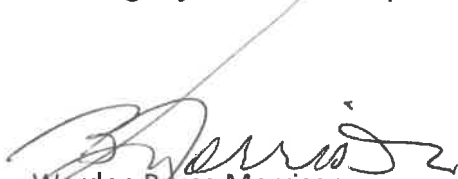
8.0 Next Meeting Date:

Next meeting scheduled on March 10, 2022, at 1:00 p.m.

9.0 Adjournment:

Motion to adjourn meeting. Moved by Mayor Laurie Boucher, seconded by Councillor Mary Farrell. **Motion carried.**

Meeting adjourned at 1:32 p.m.



Warden Bruce Morrison
Vice-Chair



Tammy MacLellan
Recorder

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