

## LUNENBURG TOWN COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2017 AT 4:00 P.M.

(LUNENBURG TOWN HALL)

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**PRESENT:** Mayor Rachel Bailey  
Deputy Mayor Peter Mosher  
Councillor Ronnie Bachman  
Councillor Joseph Carnevale  
Councillor Danny Croft  
Councillor Brian Davis  
Councillor John McGee

**ALSO PRESENT:** Peter Haughn, DCAO  
Bea Renton, CAO

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The Mayor called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Councillor Davis rose on a point of order. He advised Council that it is his opinion the matter for the in camera meeting noted in agenda item #2. is a personnel matter, whereas it is his understanding it relates to himself and another Councillor and therefore does not qualify as a "personnel" matter within the definition of the Municipal Government Act. He considers this would only apply to a salaried staff member matter. The Mayor advised that the Town has a legal opinion that the matters to be discussed in the in camera session meet the requirements of the MGA. Councillor Davis objected noting the Mayor is wrong and so is the legal opinion she was given.

The Mayor advised that the personnel matter is one of the matters to be dealt with in camera and there are others as well.

1. Motion to recess to meet in camera to consider personnel matters, potential litigation and legal advice eligible for solicitor-client privilege [section 22 (2) Municipal Government Act]

**Motion: moved by Councillor McGee, seconded by Deputy Mayor Mosher to recess to meet in camera to consider personnel matters, potential litigation and legal advice eligible for solicitor-client privilege [Section 22 (2) Municipal Government Act].**

Councillor Davis spoke to the motion reiterating his above objection. The Mayor asked Councillor Davis if the conduct of a Councillor can impact on a municipality and the function of a Council? Councillor Davis responded that it can. The Mayor advised that the in camera meeting portion relates to staff, the context of which involves him in part.

**The motion was put and passed.** Councillors Davis and Carnevale voted in the negative.

4:10 p.m. - the Mayor declared a recess and asked for members of the public in attendance to leave the Council Chamber until the public portion of the meeting resumed. Councillor Davis advised that he would be sitting in the public gallery. He left his Council seat and sat in the public seating area. Members of the public did not leave the Council Chamber. At 4:11 p.m. Council members with the exception of Councillor Davis left the Council Chamber to reconvene elsewhere.

3. Resumption of Council meeting in open session to consider any in camera meeting recommendations

5:06 p.m. resumption of Council meeting.

The Mayor advised there is nothing to report from the in camera meeting session.

4. Motion to adjourn

Motion: moved by Councillor Carnevale, seconded by Councillor Croft to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

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Bea Renton, CAO