



**SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF YARMOUTH
Wednesday, March 19, 2025**

A Special Committee of the Whole Meeting for the month of March 2025 was held virtually Wednesday, March 19, 2025.

1. The meeting was called to order at 7:08 p.m. by Warden John Cunningham with the following in attendance: Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham, Councillor Jim Baxter, Councillor Trevor Perry, Councillor Daniel Muise, Councillor Phil Mooney, Councillor Loren Cushing, CAO Victoria Brooks, and Jenny Porter, Deputy Municipal Clerk.

Ron L'Esperance and Thomas McGuire, of 21FSP, were also in attendance.

2. **Land Acknowledgement** – I would like to begin by acknowledging that we are on the traditional lands of the Wasoqopa'q First Nation, part of Mi'kma'ki (meeg-ma-gee), the ancestral territory of the Mi'kmaq people.

3. **Approval of the Agenda**

With no amendments, the Chair declared the agenda approved as circulated.

4. **Presentation**

- 4.1 **Draft 2025-2029 Strategic Plan**

Councillor Cushing joined the meeting at 7:17 p.m.

Ron L'Esperance and Tom McGuire reviewed the draft 2025-2029 Strategic Plan as developed following the retreat with Council.

Council discussed and suggested the following amendments:

- adding language to optimize collaboration regarding the Port of Yarmouth, Airport, Mariners Centre, Solid Waste Park, and clean energy projects.
- People – include the Accessibility and Equity & Anti-Racism Plans
- Stewardship – include the construction of the NWRBP Phase 2 project.
- Simplify the language in the document.
- Replace acronyms with the actual words.

It was moved by Deputy Warden Trevor Cunningham, seconded by Councillor Trevor Perry to recommend to Regular Council that the 2025-2029 Strategic Plan for the Municipality of the District of Yarmouth be approved as amended.

Motion carried.

5. Adjournment

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:05 p.m.

Warden John Cunningham

Victoria Brooks, CAO

Jenny Porter, Deputy Municipal Clerk

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