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# Citizens' Taskforce Minutes

Monday, March 14, 2016 6:00PM

Sealing Cove Business Center

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**Citizens' Taskforce Members:** Rob Allen, Maxwell Rule, Lawrence SpottedBird,  
Dyan Bessette, Cynthia Gibson, Hugh Bevan, Alene Henning  
Tristan Guevin (Assembly Liaison)

## I. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Rule called the meeting to order at approximately 6:01PM.

## II. ROLL CALL

Present: Vice Chair Maxwell Rule, Dyan Bessette, Cynthia Gibson, Hugh Bevan, Alene Henning

Absent: Chair Rob Allen (excused), Deputy Vice Chair Lawrence SpottedBird (excused)

Assembly Liaison: Tristan Guevin

Staff: Municipal Administrator Mark Gorman, Administrative Coordinator Renee Wheat, Chief Finance and Administrative Officer Jay Sweeney, Assessor Wendy Lawrence, Fire Chief David Miller

## III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**M - Gibson/S - Henning moved to approve the March 07, 2016 minutes. Motion carried unanimously.**

## IV. REPORTS

Chair - Vice Chair Rule reviewed upcoming meetings.

Members - Bevan relayed he would not make the Assembly work session in April.

City Staff - None.

Assembly Liaison - Guevin relayed the Assembly was looking forward to the Taskforce final report and work session.

Other(s) - None.

## V. PERSONS TO BE HEARD/CORRESPONDENCE

None.

## VI. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

### A. Draft Grand Budget Framework

The Taskforce reviewed and edited the spreadsheet created by Vice Chair Rule. Agreement was reached to create a narrative for the Town Hall meeting to explain the reasoning of the Taskforce for each line item. It was agreed a one year budget would be presented and a three year spreadsheet would be offered as a handout. Municipal Administrator Gorman advised the beginning deficit in the spreadsheet was different than what staff had recently calculated. The Taskforce would like City staff to update the deficit dollar figure at the next meeting. Consensus was reached to hold a special meeting on Thursday, March 17 to prepare for the March 21 Town Hall meeting.

**M - Bevan/S - Bessette moved to retain line item Elimination of Senior Sales Tax Exemption in the spreadsheet. Motion failed three to two.**

**B. Assembly final report format recommendations**

The Taskforce did not discuss and took no action on this item.

**VII. NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**VIII. PERSONS TO BE HEARD**

None.

**IX. ADJOURNMENT**

**A. Agenda items for the next meeting of March 17, 2016**

The agenda item for the next meeting would include Town Hall meeting preparation. Bevan agreed to create a narrative and Gibson offered to work on a PowerPoint presentation.

**M -Bevan/S Bessette moved to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at approximately 8:12PM.**

Attest:  
Renee Wheat, Administrative Coordinator