

Village of New Minas

New Minas Water Commission May 27, 2025 @ 3:00 PM Commission Room, LMCC New Minas, Nova Scotia DRAFT MINUTES

Members Present:

- James Redmond, Commission Member & Chair
- Mary Munroe, Commission Member
- Maynard Stevens, Citizen Member
- Bruce MacArthur, Citizen Member
- Dave Chaulk, Commission Member & Vice Chair

Members Absent:

Staff Present:

- Jeff Lawrence, Clerk Treasurer/CAO
- Cory Palmer, Director of Public Works

Others Present:

None

1. Call to Order:

The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:02pm, welcoming those in attendance.

2. Approval of the Agenda:

Motion:

THAT the Agenda for the May 27, 2025, Water Commission Meeting be approved as circulated.

M/ M. Stevens S/ B. MacArthur Motion Carried

3. Approval of Minutes:

a. April 22, 2025, Water Commission Meeting

Motion:

THAT the Minutes for the April 22, 2025, Water Commission Meeting be approved as circulated.

M/ D. Chaulk
S/ M. Stevens
Motion Carried

4. Business Arising from Minutes:

a. April 22, 2025, Water Commission Meeting

There was no business arising from the April 22, 2025, minutes.

5. Comments from the Chair:

The Chair indicated that he had no additional comments.

6. Staff Reports:

a. Water Operations Report

The Director of Public Works provided a verbal summary of the Water Operations Report circulated prior to the May 27, 2025 Water Commission meeting.

When asked whether any complaints had been received from the public regarding chlorine levels associated with the Busche Lane tank refurbishment the Director responded that none had been received.

When asked about the completion date for the tank refurbishment the director indicated that the project was on schedule.

Motion:

THAT the Water Operations Report be received as circulated prior to the May 27, 2025 Water Commission meeting and as verbally summarized by the Director of Public Works.

M/ M. Stevens S/ B. MacArthur Motion Carried

7. Correspondence:

There was no correspondence.

8. Other Business

a. Spray Park Operation during the Busch Lane Water Treatment Refurbishment

Administration recommended that, during the Busch Lane water tank refurbishment, irrigation of the sports fields and parks only be done as required to keep from losing the grass, and that the spray park hours of operation be limited to 1pm – 4pm daily beginning when school is dismissed for the summer.

The Water Commission members expressed concern about spray park access during evenings and periods of extreme heat.

Administration indicated that it would increase water levels in the system and would expand the hours of operation should the water supply allow.

There was consensus that a good communication plan utilizing multiple medias was critical.

9. Public Input:

There was no public input.

10. Adjournment:

There being no further business, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn at 3:40pm.

Motion:

THAT the meeting be adjourned.

M/ D. Chaulk S/ M. Stevens Motion Carried