



**SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
MINUTES**

Monday, January 13, 2025
7:00 p.m.
Magaguadavic Place Community Center

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Craig
Deputy Mayor David Hatt
Councillor Alexa Detorakis
Councillor Adam Hatt
Councillor Terry Lee
Councillor Wayne MacQuarrie
Councillor Lisa McKay
Councillor Michael Thompson
Councillor Darrell Tidd

STAFF PRESENT: Jason N. Gaudet, CAO/Clerk
Chris MacKinnon, Assistant Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT: Gallery: 11

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- a) The minutes shall record, without note or comment:
 - i) The place, date and time of the meeting,
 - ii) The name of the presiding officer and the attendance of Council Members,
 - iii) The reading, if required, correction and adoption of the minutes of prior meetings, and
 - iv) All resolutions, decisions and proceedings of the meeting.

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JG
CLERK

JOC
MAYOR

1. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Meeting of the Council for Eastern Charlotte held on Monday, January 13, 2025, at the Magaguadavic Place in St. George, was called to order by Mayor Craig at 7:00 pm.

2. AGENDA

Motion: To accept the Agenda for the meeting.

Moved by: Councillor Lee

Seconded by: Councillor MacQuarrie

Motion carried unanimously.

3. BUSINESS

a. Presentation of Municipal Budget 2025

- Mayor Craig welcomed the gallery to the meeting and introduced Deputy Mayor Hatt for the presentation.
- Deputy Mayor Hatt presented the draft 2025 Operating Budget.
- Mayor Craig made closing comments on the presentation

b. Question & Answer Period

Mayor Craig opened the floor for public question or comment.

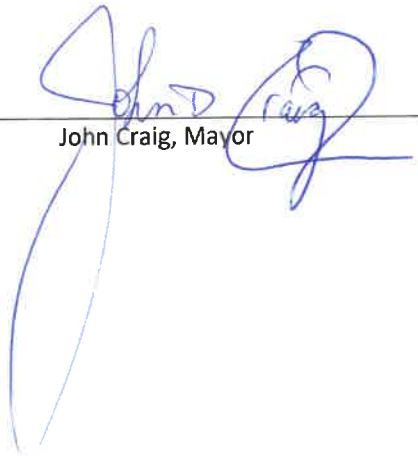
The following topics were mentioned:

- Funds moved by Council from operating reserve to capital reserve
- Delays in the audit and budget
- Paving in St. George
- Acquiring copies of the presentation
- How outside areas benefit from an increase in taxes
- Spending tax money on Provincial Roads
- Amount of the tax rate received by Eastern Charlotte
- Balancing of costs for services provided by the Minister
- How properties are assessed
- Tear down of the Arena and replace with something new
- Policing cost and reporting

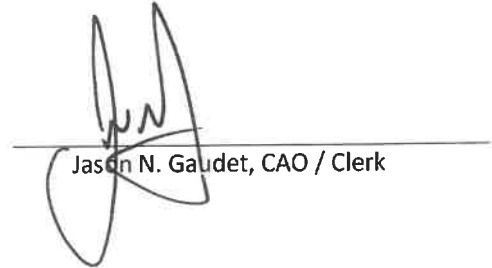
4. ADJOURNMENT

Motion: That the meeting be adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Moved by: Councillor Detorakis



John Craig, Mayor



Jason N. Gaudet, CAO / Clerk