

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held on Monday, March 29, 2021. The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:10 p.m., with the following members present:

- Warden Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Deputy Warden Jody Crook
- Councillor George El-Jakl
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield
- Councillor Andrea Mood-Nickerson

- Chris Frotten, CAO

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

PROPOSED MGA AMENDMENTS – BILL 47

On March 24, Bill 47 was introduced. The Bill amends the Municipal Government Act and the Halifax Regional Municipality Charter to allow municipalities to provide direct financial assistance to businesses for the purpose of improving accessibility for people with disabilities.

Council discussed the financial and administrative burden this Bill would impose on municipalities and the addition to the competing responsibilities. In addition, there is concern that this will also generate unfair and unrealistic expectations towards municipalities from the private sector and from people with disabilities.

Resolution C210309

Being duly moved and seconded that a letter in opposition to Bill 47 be sent to the Standing Committee on Law Amendments with copies to the Minister of Municipal Affairs, M.L.A. Colton LeBlanc, NSFM and all 50 units in opposition to the Bill.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Warden

Chief Administrative Officer

Secretary for the Meeting