

## REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

### COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING, FEBRUARY 20, 2024

#### Commercial Development District

The establishment of a Commercial Development District (CDD) has been proposed to attract new businesses to the Municipality. Legislation allows municipal units to phase in commercial assessment increases over a period not to exceed 10 years in an area designated a CDD by way of by-law. The adoption of such a by-law would also work towards achieving Strategic Objective 4.2.3 to promote the Municipality as being open for business.

**It is recommended** to Council to direct the CAO to draft a by-law to establish a Commercial Development District in the Commercial General (CG) Zone.

#### Barrington Lake Wildfire Tax Reductions

As a result of property losses due to the Barrington Lake Wildfire, Property Valuation Services Corporation has reassessed two additional properties that were brought forward after the first initial round of revised values.

**It is recommended** to Council that the 2023/2024 property taxes on the following properties: PID 80043748 and PID 80043789, be reduced based on the revised 2023 assessment value.

#### Provincial Treated Wood Disposal Ban

**It is recommended** to Council to establish a dedicated disposal area at our C. & D. Debris Disposal Site specifically for pressure treated wood.

**It is recommended** to Council that anyone outside of the Municipality of Barrington and the Town of Clarks Harbour disposing of pressure treated wood at the C. & D. Debris Disposal Site will be required to pay current tipping fees. Wharf projects and government agencies will be charged a tipping fee for the disposal of pressure treated wood, even though originating from within the municipality and town.