

Arcadia

Council Meeting Minutes

Location: Virtual via Teams

Date: Thursday, April 10, 2025 – Special Meeting of Council

Time: 6:30 pm

1) Call to Order

Acting Mayor Sharpe called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. In attendance were Acting Mayor Sharpe, Councillor Gahan-MaGee, Councillor Gordon, Councillor Black, Councillor Thomson, Councillor Mennier, CAO Gilman, Clerk McGarity, and Economic Development Officer LeBlanc.

2) Approval of Agenda

It was moved by Councillor Mennier and seconded by Councillor Gordon to approve the agenda as presented.

With all in favour, the motion was carried.

3) “Charged for Change” Funding Agreement

Economic Development Officer LeBlanc provided a summary regarding Charged for Change.

- Arcadia applied for funding under the Earth Day Charged for Change program to install two charging pedestals: one located at the Cambridge-Narrows Library and one at the Gagetown Recreation Centre. We received notification that we were one of the communities selected for the funding.
- The funding covers all the costs of buying and installing the chargers, including electrical work, concrete stands, painting and signage, etc.
- The budget was based on quotes received with a 10% contingency.
- The projects will be announced by Earth Day on April 16, 2025.
- Funding will come in two payments: one will be an advance, and the final will be after final documents and invoices are submitted.
- Management of user payment is done through provider. There is a cost of \$200 per charger per year. We are able to set the rate for electricity usage, so we will be able to include our overhead costs in that rate.

It was moved by Councillor Mennier and seconded by Councillor Black to approve the Earth Day Charged for Change funding agreement to install two EV chargers.

Questions:

- *Councillor Black: Are we covered through insurance?*
 - *Yes, they are covered through insurance. We can add an additional \$500 per year insurance if we want to have coverage to do a complete replacement on the charger if something was to happen.*

- Councillor Mennier: Schedule B Section 3: If the funding ceased part way through the project, would we be responsible for the completion of the project?
 - Yes, this is a standard clause included in all contracts. This is a small risk that Council needs to consider.
- Councillor Mennier: What is the cost for the actual chargers?
 - The actual charger has a cost of approximately \$12,000 each.
- Councillor Mennier: Have we talked to other recipients of this funding?
 - Yes, Economic Development Officer LeBlanc had spoke with Grand-Bay Westfield, and they were very pleased with the program.

With all in favour, the motion was carried.

4) Closed Session

It was moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor Gordon to move to closed session at 6:43 pm.

With all in favour, the motion was carried.

Items discussed in closed session were as per Section 68(1)(j) of the Local Governance Act.

It was moved by Councillor Mennier and seconded by Councillor Black to move out of closed session at 6:55 pm.


With all in favour, the motion was carried.

5) Motion to Adjourn

It was moved by Councillor Black and seconded by Councillor Gordon to adjourn at 6:56 pm.

With all in favour, the motion was carried.


Acting Mayor Steven Sharpe


Clerk Jessica McGarity

