

TOWN OF OXFORD POLICY

Subject: Deputy Mayor

Effective Date: November 16, 2020

Revision Date:

Rationale

The following policy establishes the selection and term of office of the Deputy Mayor.

Policy Statement

1. At its first meeting following an election, Council shall select a Deputy Mayor to hold office from that date to October 31 of the following year.
2. In non-election years, Council shall select a Deputy Mayor at its October Council meeting to hold office from November 1 of that year until October 31 of the following calendar year.
3. Selection of the Deputy Mayor
 - a. The election of the Deputy Mayor shall be placed on the Council agenda.
 - b. When the item comes up on the agenda at the meeting the Mayor shall open the floor to members of Council for nomination.
 - c. If there is only one nominee, the Mayor shall entertain a motion to elect the nominated member as Deputy Mayor.
 - d. If there are multiple nominees, the Mayor shall direct the CAO to prepare ballots for the election reflecting the names of the nominees.
 - e. All members of Council, including those nominated, are eligible to vote.
 - f. Vote shall be by secret ballot.
 - g. Results shall be tabulated by the CAO who shall then communicate the results to the Mayor.
 - h. The Mayor shall declare the candidate with the most votes the Deputy Mayor for the term ending October 31 of the following calendar year.
 - i. Should the Deputy Mayor resign their office or cease to be a Councillor for any reason during their term in office, the above-noted process will be used to select a new Deputy Mayor, but the term of office shall be to complete the term of the Deputy Mayor whose vacancy created the need for a selection.

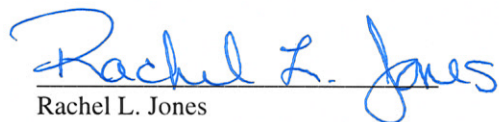
References

Nova Scotia Municipal Government Act, s. 16.

Certification

I, Rachel L. Jones, Chief Administrative Officer of the Town of Oxford, do hereby certify that the policy of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly passed at a duly called meeting of the Town Council of the Town of Oxford held on the 16th day of November, 2020.

GIVEN under the hand of the Chief Administrative Officer and the corporate seal of the Town of Oxford this 19th day of November, 2020.


Rachel L. Jones
Chief Administrative Officer