

# Asset Management Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, August 6, 2019, 5:30 pm **Council Chambers** Municipal Administration Building 285 Beech Hill Road Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4

Present were: Warden Owen McCarron

Deputy Warden Hugh Stewart Councillor Mary MacLellan Councillor Donnie MacDonald

Councillor John Dunbar Councillor Gary Mattie Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Councillor Remi Deveau

Regrets:

Councillor Vaughan Chisholm

Councillor Neil Corbett

Staff Present: Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

#### 1. Call to Order - Chairman, Councillor Bill MacFarlane

The meeting of the Asset Management Committee was called to order by the Chair, Councillor MacFarlane, at 5:30pm

#### 2. Approval of Agenda

Councillor MacFarlane called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

Moved By Councillor Deveau Seconded By Councillor Mattie

That the agenda be approved as amended.

**Motion Carried** 

#### 3. Approval of July 4, 2019 Asset Management Minutes

Councillor MacFarlane called for any errors or omissions to the minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved By Councillor MacDonald Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

That the Asset Management minutes of July 4, 2019 be approved as presented

**Motion Carried** 



### 4. Business Arising from the Minutes

Staff had provided the requested information regarding the private road by-law and administrative order in HRM. A discussion about that information will be included in the September agenda.

## 5. Continuing Business

#### a. Update on 2019/20 Capital Projects

Mr. Horne reviewed the 2019/2020 capital priorities list, which included details on the estimate, funding, the tender status and bid price for each item which was discussed in detail.

#### b. Petition for Road Upgrades at Gorman & Afton Roads

Councillor Dunbar spoke to an issue in District 7 and 8 regarding the condition of Gorman road and Afton Road. Where the new interchange has been constructed, it connects to the Afton Road, which is a narrow unpaved road with no ditching. There has been an increase in traffic with residents taking this route to access the 104 instead of going back towards Monastery or crossing under the 104 to Route 4. A petition was presented from the area residents for this roadway to be paved, and a motion was requested to send that petition to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal. Councillor Mattie spoke further to area resident concerns regarding the condition of the old road, and its ability to handle the additional traffic and the construction traffic hauling gravel from Merland to Bayside. Winter maintenance was also noted as a concern.

## Moved By Councillor Dunbar Seconded By Councillor Mattie

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council forward the petition received for road upgrades at Gorman and Afton Roads to the Hon. Lloyd Hines, Minister of Transportation and the Hon. Randy Delorey, Minister of Health and Antigonish MLA.

Motion Carried

### c. Update on Proposed Gaspereaux Lake Water System Local Improvement

Mr. Horne provided an update on the Local Improvements By-law process underway for the proposed expansion to the Gaspereaux Lake Water System. There is now sufficient support to move forward with the project. Consensus of the Committee was that the project was approved, but is subject to funding support from the Federal and Provincial governments to proceed.

#### 6. New Business

#### a. Ownership of Water & Sewer Infrastructure on South River Road

Mr. Horne referred to the letter in the agenda package from the Director of Public Works to himself regarding the infrastructure constructed by KAW Developments on South River Road, verifying that the lines have been constructed, have been inspected and tested, and recommending that the Municipality takes ownership.



## Moved By Councillor MacDonald Seconded By Councillor Deveau

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the Municipality taking ownership of the water and sewer line constructed by KAW Developments servicing six (6) lots at South River Road.

**Motion Carried** 

## b. Ownership of Clydesdale Waterline

Mr. Horne referred to letter from the Town of Antigonish in the agenda package. The section of the waterline to be acquired will be used to extend the waterline to North Grant. The advantage of this water line to the Municipality is the existing river crossing of the service, which was upgraded by the Town only a few years ago.

Moved By Councillor MacDonald Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve applying to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (NSURB) to take ownership of a waterline in Clydesdale.

**Motion Carried** 

#### c. Notice of J-Class Road Cost Share Application

Mr. Horne provided information regarding the cost-share program and a list of J-Class roads in the Municipality. A future agenda will include a request for a list of roads to formally submit for consideration for the program.

#### d. Request to be Added to the Infrastructure List - Dunmore Road

Warden McCarron spoke to a letter from Dunmore Developments requesting that consideration be given to adding 1.9kms of sewer on the Dunmore Road to the infrastructure list. Consensus was given to add the requested project to the infrastructure list.

### 7. Additions to the Agenda

#### a. Highway Sign Update

Councillor Corbett requested an update on the speed-indicating signage. He requested that one of the Municipality's existing signs be moved to Aulds Cove for the summer.

### 8. <u>In Camera Items</u>

This subject matter falls within Section 22(2) of the Municipal Government Act as a matter that a committee may discuss in a closed session. It is recommended a motion be made to initiate an in-camera session.

Councillor Mattie identified that he had a conflict of interest with the subject of the incamera session and removed himself from Council Chambers for the duration of the incamera session.



## Moved By Councillor Mattie Seconded By Councillor MacLellan

That the Committee of the Whole Meeting be adjourned to an In-Camera Session to discuss the Acquisition, Sale, Lease, and Security of Municipal Property at 6:25 pm.

**Motion Carried** 

Moved By Councillor Deveau Seconded By Councillor Corbett

That the In-Camera Session be adjourned at 6:31 pm.

**Motion Carried** 

## 9. Adjournment

Moved By Councillor Deveau

That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 6:34pm.

**Motion Carried** 

Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer