

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA

Tuesday, April 16, 2019, 6:30 pm

Council Chambers

Municipal Administration Building

285 Beech Hill Road

Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4

1. Call to Order – Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of April 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
5. Delegations
There are no delegations scheduled for this meeting.
6. Continuing Business

- a. St. Andrews Junior School Playground Fundraiser Request

A follow-up to the discussion at the October 16, 2018 Committee of the Whole meeting regarding the Junior School requesting assistance with fundraising efforts for the construction of playground equipment at the school. Staff has put together the information requested by the Committee and will provide it at the meeting.

- b. Volunteer Fire Department AED Request

In 2018, the Municipality assisted community centres with the provision of AEDs at their facilities. With fire halls often also serving as community centres or hosting gatherings, a request was made to also make AEDs available at these halls. While many volunteer fire departments have AEDs, they are often kept on their trucks to be on hand when they are responding to an emergency.

The Committee asked staff to collect further information regarding community fire departments and whether they have AEDs in their trucks, halls, or both. The results of a poll of volunteer fire departments in the community are as follows:

- County FD – Yes, in Truck
- Pomquet FD – Yes, in Truck (2 machines)
- St. Andrews FD – Yes, in Truck
- Tracadie FD – Yes, in Hall
- NSVFD – No AED
- Auld's Cove FD - No AED
- Four Valleys - No AED

- Havre Boucher - Yes, location not specified

7. New Business

- Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame "Friends Campaign" Request**
The Municipality has received a request from the Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame to consider financially supporting the Hall through their "Friends Campaign". The Sport Hall of Fame is located in the Scotiabank Centre and offers free admission to over 65,000 visitors each year. They are fundraising for a planned expansion and renovation. Further details can be found in the attached letter and brochure.
- MAYFEST Sponsorship Request**
The Municipality has been asked to consider sponsoring the MAYFEST fundraiser for the St. Martha's Regional Hospital Auxiliary, taking place on May 11, 2019 at the Bloomfield Centre at St. FX. The Municipality sponsored this event at the "Bronze" level (\$250 contribution) in 2012, 2014, 2016, 2017 and 2018.
- Chip in Fore St. Martha's Golf Tournament**
The Municipality has been asked to attend the Chip In Fore St. Martha's Annual Golf Tournament Antigonish Golf and Country Club on Friday, September 6, 2019. Tournament proceeds will support the St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation. Registration for a foursome costs \$1000.00.
- Streetlight Request - Cape Jack Road and Trunk 4**
Councillor Corbett has brought forward a request for a streetlight at the intersection of Cape Jack Road and Trunk 4 in District 9.

8. Reports from Inter-Municipal Boards, Committees and Commissions

- Antigonish Heritage Museum Board**
- Antigonish Arena Commission**
The Municipality must appoint two community members to the Arena Management Board. Following a public call, George Arsenault and Angus Bowie have expressed interest and are being submitted as nominees for the Board.

Two members of Council must also be appointed. The current members are Warden McCarron, Deputy Warden Stewart and Councillor Dunbar.

Staff is also recommending an amendment to the Inter-Municipal Agreement between the Town and County of Antigonish Creating the Antigonish Arena Corporation to change the name of the agreement and all references withing from "Corporation" to "Association."

- Antigonish Crime Prevention**
- Eastern District Planning Commission**
- Eastern Regional Solid Waste Management Committee**
- Eastern-Straight Regional Enterprise Network**
- Pictou Antigonish Regional Library**
- RK MacDonald Nursing Home**

9. Community Events

This item provides Councillors with an opportunity to briefly bring to the attention of Council events that are taking place in their communities.

10. Staff Reports

- Eastern District Planning Commission**

- Year-to-date building permit information is attached.
- b. RCMP
 - March 2019 activity report is attached.
- c. Administration
 - Glenn and Tammy attended the Workplace Health & Safety Conference in Halifax
 - The next edition of the County Connect will be ready for distribution later in the month.
- d. Finance
 - The Finance Team has been very busy with fiscal year-end activities and Diamond software training
 - Auditors from MGM will be in the office on April 17th for a one-day pre-audit review. They are tentatively scheduled to conduct the F2018/2019 during the week of June 17th.
- e. Recreation
 - Vishalle St. Pierre started her term as Physical Activity Coordinator on April 1st, covering Meaghan's leave
 - A Request for Proposals was released on April 11th to hire a consultant to complete a feasibility study for the development of two bikeway corridors within the County and Town of Antigonish.
- 11. In Camera Items
- 12. Additions to the Agenda
- 13. Adjournment

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 2, 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 Vaughan Chisholm
Councillor John Dunbar
Councillor Gary Mattie
Councillor Neil Corbett
Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets: Councillor Remi Deveau

Staff Present: Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer
Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Also Present: Dr. John Chiasson, Positive Action for Keppoch
Mr. Greg Stewart, Positive Action for Keppoch
Mr. Rodger Porter
Gallery

1. Call to Order – Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

The meeting of the Committee of the Whole was called to order by the Chair, Warden McCarron, at 5:33 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the minutes. The following items were added:

- Recognizing Kristina Richard's Special Olympics success;
- Breakfast at the Education Centre;

- Trees on South River Road; and,
- Cape Breton and Central Nova Scotia Railway.

Moved By Councillor MacDonald

Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

3. Approval of March 19, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in the minutes.

Moved By Councillor Dunbar

Seconded By Councillor Corbett

That the Committee of the Whole minutes of March 19, 2019 be approved as presented

Motion Carried

4. Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. Delegations

a. Dr. John Chiasson, Positive Action for Keppoch

Warden McCarron introduced Dr. Chiasson, from the group Positive Action for Keppoch. Dr. Chiasson provided an overview of the operations of the facility, with photographs of the different features at the site. A number of upcoming events were reviewed. Mr. Greg Stewart provided an overview of the financial aspects of the development of the site. The members of the Positive Action for Keppoch Board were recognized for their work. Discussion followed. Those attending on behalf of the Positive Action for Keppoch were thanked for their time and presentation.

b. Mr. Rodger Porter, Resident of Mount Cameron

Mr. Porter brought forward a concern that he has with the speed of the traffic at Highway 337 at the entrances to the Mount Cameron subdivision. The speed limit in that area is at 50km/h, but vehicles are accelerating at the hospital at exceeding that speed. Increased enforcement, or a way to monitor the speeds traveled along that stretch, would be helpful to improve the safety for drivers.

Mr. Porter also brought forward a request from those walking/running along the highway for a sidewalk or trail connecting the Town sidewalks to the Mount Cameron subdivision.

Councillor MacDonald provided some background regarding the efforts made by Council to address this concern in the past. Councillor MacDonald suggested Council send a letter to the Province to request a review of the speeds in that area. Councillor Chisholm suggested bringing the issue up at their next RCMP committee meeting. Other suggestions were discussed as well.

Moved By Councillor MacDonald

Seconded By Councillor MacFarlane

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council submit a request to the DTIR to conduct a traffic impact / speed study on the stretch of Highway 337 near the entrances to the Mount Cameron subdivision.

Motion Carried

6. Continuing Business

a. Strategic Priorities Update

Mr. Horne reviewed the Strategic Priorities lists that were included in the agenda package. The timelines for regular updates were provided.

Moved By Councillor MacFarlane

Seconded By Councillor MacLellan

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council adopt the Strategic Priorities Chart as presented.

Motion Carried

b. Strait of Canso Investment Readiness Proposal

Mr. Horne provided an overview of the proposal that has been brought forward for the Committee to consider at the last meeting. Warden McCarron provided the Committee with a summary of the meeting with Ms. Mombourquette and Mr. Mann. Discussion followed.

Moved By Councillor MacFarlane

Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve a contribution of \$5000 towards the Strait of Canso Investment Readiness Proposal.

Motion Carried

7. **New Business**

a. **Cost of Living Update for 2019-2020**

Mr. Horne reviewed the 2018 CPI increase, which for Nova Scotia is 2.2%. Increasing salaries and stipends by CPI is noted in the employee and remuneration policies. Consensus was provided to proceed with this increase.

b. **Antigonish Arena Debt**

Mr. Horne spoke to the Antigonish Arena debt and brought forward a recommendation from staff for Council to provide for an expense of 50% of the debt as an expense item in the 2019/2020 budget, in addition to the County's approved annual operating grant allocation. Discussion followed. Consensus was provided to include that expense in the 2019/2020 budget.

c. **Nova Scotia Power Commission Discussion**

Councillor Chisholm brought forward a concern that was raised by a constituent who had heard that Nova Scotia Power was closing its Antigonish Office and moving the operation to Goshen. A suggestion was made to reach out to Nova Scotia Power to meet with them to discuss further.

d. **Old Highway #4 in Aulds Cove and East Havre Boucher Discussion**

Councillor Corbett provided an update on the meetings that he has had with the Department of Transportation regarding concerns with roadways in his district. Erosion and overland flow is eroding the shoulders and causing damage to vehicles with rock chips. Discussion followed regarding the Operations Call Centre and future meetings with representatives from the Department of Transportation.

e. **Streetlight Request**

Councillor Dunbar brought forward a request for a new streetlight at the intersection of Dagger Wood Road to improve the illumination of that intersection. A suggestion was also made to look installing a flashing amber light at that intersection as well.

Moved By Councillor Dunbar

Seconded By Councillor Mattie

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve the installation of a streetlight at the intersection of New France Road and Highway 104.

Motion Carried

8. **Reports from Inter-Municipal Boards, Committees and Commissions**

a. **Antigonish Heritage Museum Board**

The March Board meeting was cancelled; nothing to report.

b. **Antigonish Arena Commission**

There was nothing further to report.

c. **Antigonish Crime Prevention**

There was nothing to report.

d. **Eastern District Planning Commission**

The EDPC Board meeting took place on March 14th, where the budget was reviewed.

e. **Eastern Regional Solid Waste Management Committee**

The budget for the new year was approved. Discussion was held regarding the plastic bag initiatives. A student bursary program was approved.

f. **Eastern-Straight Regional Enterprise Network**

Mr. Horne provided an update on the dissolution process.

g. **Pictou Antigonish Regional Library**

Not all Municipalities have responded to the request for the cost of living increase.

h. **RK MacDonald Nursing Home**

The budget process is underway.

9. **Community Events**

The following community events were noted:

- Chase the Ace in St. Joseph's on Friday nights
- Warden McCarron provided a summary of the trip to Ottawa to accept the Sport Tourism award for the Special Olympics.
- Warden McCarron provided a summary of recent doctor recruitment tours that took place in the community.

11. Additions to the Agenda

a. Kristina Richard - Special Olympics Awards

Councillor Chisholm updated the Committee on the achievements of Kristina Richard at the Special Olympics World Games in Abu Dhabi last month. A suggestion was made to invite Kristina at a future Council meeting where her accomplishments could be formally recognized.

b. Antigonish Education Centre Breakfast Program

Deputy Warden Stewart provided an update on his recent experience serving pancakes at the school and asked if Councillors were willing to provide funds to help the program from their Special District Grants.

c. Trees on the South River Road

Councillor MacFarlane asked if Nova Scotia Power could be contacted about dead trees along South River road at exit 34 on the old Highway 104. Staff will follow-up about this request.

d. Railway

Councillor MacFarlane asked if staff could get the Municipal Solicitor to look at the Railway Act, and what provisions are there to address concerns with crossings being removed or refused by the Cape Breton and Central Nova Scotia Railway.

10. In Camera Items

Moved By Councillor MacDonald

Seconded By Councillor Dunbar

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 and Contract Negotiations at 7:57 pm.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Dunbar

Seconded By Councillor Chisholm

That the In-Camera session be adjourned at 8:34 pm.

Motion Carried

12. Adjournment

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart

That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Motion Carried

Warden Owen McCarron

Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer



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November 19, 2018

Owen McCarron
Municipality of the County of Antigonish
285 Beech Hill Road
Beech Hill NS B2G 0B4

Dear Owen,

This is the time of year we approach our extended Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame family and ask you to consider financially supporting the Hall through our "Friends Campaign." The enclosed brochure will provide you with more information on how you can contribute. We fully realize that there is a huge demand for your charity dollar, especially at this time of year, and we sincerely appreciate any assistance you are able to offer.

The Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame continues to play an essential role in promoting and preserving our Nova Scotia sport heritage. In addition, the Hall of Fame reaches out to more than 15,000 youth each year through our Future Hall of Famers Education program. This initiative imparts important lifestyle messages related to motivation, inspiration, hard work and goal setting. Our beautiful facility at Scotiabank Centre provides free admission to over 65,000 visitors each year. Inside of the next 18 months, we are planning a major expansion/renovation that will further enhance our vision "to be the best provincial Hall of Fame in Canada." Your contribution allows all of this to happen, and allows us to dream even bigger for 2019 and beyond.

If you could take the time to review this information and consider a donation, it would be greatly appreciated.

On a personal note, to all of you who have been so kind and receptive over my first year-and-a-half on the job, a sincere thank you. Your support and patience are not taken for granted, and have made a big transition that much easier. My best to you and yours for 2019...

Sincerely,

Bruce Rainnie
CEO



How Can You Contribute?

Your Heroes. Your Heritage. Your Hall of Fame.

"Together we can preserve, promote and honour Nova Scotia's rich sport heritage."

WHAT YOUR DONATION SUPPORTS

THE MUSEUM

- Free admission museum
- Beautiful facility in the Halifax Scotiabank Centre
- Open year-round
- New exhibits developed every year
- Expansion in the next 18-24 months

THE EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Free education programming
- Province-wide presentations – we will visit any school in Nova Scotia
- Inspiring our Future Hall of Famers with the stories of our inductees and local sport heroes
- Engaging our Hall of Famers, community members and young athletes as guest speakers

THE COLLECTION

- Over 7,600 pieces of sport history preserved for future generations and accessible online
- Free research request assistance – we answer any and all inquiries

THE LEGACY

- Recognizing excellence every year with Induction Night



WAYS YOU CAN CONTRIBUTE

- **FRIENDS CAMPAIGN CASH DONATION**—every year you have the opportunity to contribute to the Hall of Fame through our annual Friends Campaign and help support the activities of the Hall, day in and day out. Donate to our Friends Campaign by cash, credit card, or cheque. Give an amount of your choice by filling out the enclosed donation card, or by going to our donations page online (www.nsshf.com). The Hall of Fame is a registered charity and provides tax receipts for all charitable donations.
- **PLANNED GIVING**—leave a legacy with the Hall of Fame by providing for the Hall in a will, estate plan or life insurance policy. Check the box on your donation card or contact us to find out more about planned giving, which can be arranged through a cash or security commitment in a will or estate plan, or as a beneficiary to a life insurance policy. CEO Bruce Rainnie will respond to all requests for more information.



Inquiries: 902-404-3321 or halloffameevents@eastlink.ca



“The kids loved it! Thanks so much!”

—Boys & Girls Club of Spryfield

“Awesome displays! Love the learning activities!”

— Sue, Cole Harbour



“With your help, our Education Program continues to be a free program. Our interactive presentations teach sport history using the power of story and positive athlete role models to connect with the kids. We are giving them an experience that will leave an impression.”—Karen Furneaux, 2016 Hall of Fame Inductee, Board Member, Education Program Ambassador



Saint Martha's Regional Hospital Auxiliary
25 Bay Street
Antigonish, Nova Scotia
B2G 2G5

April 3, 2019

St. Martha's Regional Hospital Auxiliary is preparing for our 28th annual **MAYFEST** on May 11, 2019 at Bloomfield Centre, ST. F. X.

This is our major fundraiser for the year and since we are committed to purchasing urgently required equipment for St. Martha's Regional Hospital we need as much community assistance as possible. As you no doubt know, *St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation* is working to meet the hospital's long term financial goals, *The Auxiliary* works to meet the immediate needs through **MAYFEST** and other fund raising activities.

MAYFEST brings together volunteers from the hospital, schools, businesses, and community organizations to provide a day of fun and learning. As in previous years, there will be a teddy bear clinic, science world, games, raffles, entertainment, and tables full of things to buy, as well as Ham Radios and Soccer Activity.

St. Martha's Region Hospital Auxiliary invites you to support **MAYFEST 2019** by being a major sponsor. **MAYFEST** offers four levels of major sponsorship.

- PLATINUM - \$2000 contribution
- GOLD - \$1000 contribution
- SILVER - \$500 contribution
- BRONZE - \$250 contribution

In recognition of our major sponsors, a sign will be placed at the entrance of **MAYFEST** as well as acknowledgement in the brochure handed to each person attending the event.

We welcome all contributions. Contributions may be sent to St. Martha's Regional Hospital Auxiliary at the above address. We are a volunteer organization with charitable status, tax receipts will be provided.

We look forward to hearing from you. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

Sincerely,

Gill Hillyard
MAYFEST 2019 Chair
902-863-0937
Email: jhillyard@eastlink.ca





Chip In Fore St. Martha's 5th Annual Golf Tournament

Presented by
RJ MacIsaac Construction Limited



Please accept this registration letter as your personal invitation to attend the **Chip In Fore St. Martha's Annual Golf Tournament** proudly presented by **RJ MacIsaac Construction Limited** to be held at the beautiful **Antigonish Golf and Country Club on Friday, September 6, 2019.**

Once again, tournament proceeds will support the St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation and their continued efforts to ensure St. Martha's Regional Hospital has innovative and high-quality equipment and resources needed to provide top-notch care to the residents of Antigonish, Guysborough, Inverness and Richmond counties well into the future.

Much like last year, the tournament promises to be a great day of relaxation and fun. We are excited to introduce a few new activities to this year's event to hopefully make your day even more enjoyable including on-course food and beverage samples, live music at the Clubhouse, and on-course prizes. We have already had a very strong response, and are pleased to now have registration underway.

Attached you will find a registration form to complete and return to us. Spots are limited so please reserve early to ensure your spot in this fun-filled day.

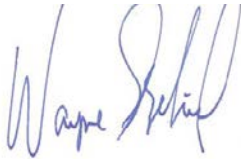
Last year's event was a tremendous success because of the support of individuals and business owners like you. Not a golfer or can't attend the tournament this year? There are lots of ways that you can show your support including purchasing a tee sign which will let the players know you are supporting the Tournament and the Foundation. Cost is \$200.00 and we will proudly display your company logo at a hole of your choosing. You can also sponsor a team of healthcare professionals and show your appreciation of their dedication to healthcare.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support. Without you, this day cannot be a success, and the St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation would not be able to continue to provide the equipment necessary to support ongoing, quality care at St. Martha's.

The Foundation would also like to extend a special thank you to Boyd and Theresa MacIsaac of RJ MacIsaac Construction Ltd. Their continued support and dedication to both the tournament and the Foundation has been extraordinary and we are so grateful for their support.

For more information on the tournament, becoming a sponsor or supporter or to register a team, please contact Sadie Benoit at the Foundation office at 902-863-1131 or by email at sadie.benoit@smrhfoundation.com.

On behalf of the St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation, thank you for your support. We look forward to seeing you at this year's event!



Wayne Ezekiel

Chair, St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation



Boyd MacIsaac

R.J. MacIsaac Construction Ltd.



Friday, September 6, 2019, LOCATION: Antigonish Golf & County Club

START TIME: 10:00 AM-Shot Gun Start

On-Course Food and Beverages Samples Included.

Limited space available, so register soon to ensure your spot!

Registration Closes: August 3, 2019

Registration: Individual \$250.00 / Foursome \$1000.00

Includes: green fees, shirts, 2 power carts, on-course food and beverages & live music

<p>OTHER EVENTS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pay for play \$1000 Chip In Fore St. Martha's Prize (sponsored by RJ MacIsaac) • Pay for Play Yard Advantage • Pay for Play Yard Disadvantage • Raffle Draws <p>GOLF FORMAT: 4 person Best-Ball Scramble</p> <p>EVENT SCHEDULE:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8:30 –9:30—Check In & Shirt Pick Up • 10:00 – Shot Gun Start • 10:00 – 3:00-- Tournament Play 	<p>SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tee Sign Purchase: let the players know you are supporting the Tournament and the Foundation. Cost is \$200.00 and we will proudly display your company logo at a hole of your choosing. • Sponsor a St. Martha's Team: Sponsor a team of hospital staff and show your appreciation of their dedication to healthcare. • Donate A Raffle Prize
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CHIP IN FORE ST. MARTHA'S 5TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SEPT 6/2019

SPONSORSHIP FORM

Tee- Sign Purchase:

TEE SIGN PURCHASE \$200 ☐ HOLE REQUESTED # # or ORGANIZER'S CHOICE ☐

*Please note that tee signs will be assigned on a first come, first serve basis.

Sponsor A Hospital Team ☐

Provide A Raffle Prize ☐ **Prize Details:** _____



CHIP IN FOR ST. MARTHA'S 5TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT SEPT 6/2019

REGISTRATION FORM

Entry Fee \$1000 Team Entry ☐ \$250 Individual Player Entry ☐

Team Name: _____

Contact Name:	Contact Info:

Team Members:	Shirt Size	Shirt Type
	Choose	Type
	Choose	Type
	Choose	Type
	Choose	Type

Please indicate any food allergies, special needs _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐

Card Number: _____ Expiry Date _____

I authorize St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation to charge \$_____ to my credit card.

Completed registration forms can be sent to:

Sadie Benoit
St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation
25 Bay Street, Antigonish, NS B2G 2G5
Sadie.benoit@smrhfoundation.com

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Antigonish County**Building Permits (Jan. 1 - Mar. 31)**

	Permits		Value	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
Residential				
New	1	4	\$ 150,000	\$ 1,035,000
Mobile Homes	2	7	143,000	725,000
Additions, Alterations and Renovations	5	5	242,000	269,500
Garages and Accessory Buildings	2	7	50,000	237,000
Multiple Units	0	1	-	460,000
	10	24	\$ 585,000	\$ 2,726,500
Agricultural, Commercial or Industrial				
Agricultural	1	0	30,000	-
Commercial	0	4	-	505,000
Industrial	0	0	-	-
	1	4	\$ 30,000	\$ 505,000
Institutional Buildings				
New	0	1	-	7,000
Additions and Alterations	0	0	-	-
	0	1	\$ -	\$ 7,000
Other				
	0	0	\$ -	\$ -
Total	11	29	\$ 615,000	\$ 3,238,500