

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF
ANTIGONISH

Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, April 16, 2019, 6:30 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 Vaughan Chisholm
 Councillor John Dunbar
 Councillor Gary Mattie
 Councillor Neil Corbett
 Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets: Councillor Donnie MacDonald
 Councillor Remi Deveau

Staff Present: Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk
 Marlene Melanson, Director of Recreation

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 5:44 pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda. Two items were added: Contractor Request, and Streetlight Request in Lochaber.

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart

Seconded By Councillor MacFarlane

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

3. **Approval of April 2, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes**

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

Moved By Councillor MacLellan

Seconded By Councillor Corbett

That the Committee of the Whole minutes of April 2, 2019 be approved as presented

Motion Carried

4. **Business Arising from the Minutes**

Councillor MacLellan asked for an update on the Nova Scotia Power item. Warden McCarron provided an update on discussions that had taken place in the last two weeks.

An update on the DTIR item was also requested; a meeting with the Warden, Deputy Warden and Mr. Horne is scheduled to take place in the upcoming weeks.

5. **Delegations**

There were no delegations scheduled for the meeting.

6. **Continuing Business**

a. **St. Andrews Junior School Playground Fundraiser Request**

The Committee was provided with the requested follow-up information regarding student distribution in the County for their consideration. Discussion followed. The Committee asked staff to go back to Mr. Austen for further details regarding fundraising plans for the playground, as well as the amount of funds that are being requested from the Municipality.

b. **Volunteer Fire Department AED Request**

Warden McCarron reviewed the information included in the agenda package regarding the data collected by staff for AEDs in Fire Halls. Discussion followed. The Committee agreed that Fire Halls that act as community halls or centres and host events should have an AED within the hall for emergencies.

Moved By Councillor MacLellan

Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve purchasing AEDs for Fire Halls that are used like, or act as, Community Centres or Halls.

Motion Carried

7. **New Business**

a. **Nova Scotia Sport Hall of Fame "Friends Campaign" Request**

Staff presented the request from the Sport Hall of Fame for the Committee's consideration. Discussion followed. The Committee asked staff to investigate what contributions the Municipality has made to this organization in the past and report back.

b. **MAYFEST Sponsorship Request**

Mrs. Schumacher reviewed the request for sponsorship for Mayfest and asked if any members of the Committee would be interested in volunteering at the event. Councillor Chisholm volunteered.

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart

Seconded By Councillor Dunbar

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve a bronze level sponsorship for Mayfest 2019, in the amount of \$250.

Motion Carried

c. **Chip in Fore St. Martha's Golf Tournament**

Deputy Warden asked to hold this item to the next meeting, so that Councillor Deveau can participate in the conversation.

d. **Streetlight Request - Cape Jack Road and Trunk 4**

Councillor Corbett brought forward a request from constituents in his district for a streetlight at the intersection of Trunk 4 and Cape Jack Road.

Moved By Councillor Corbett

Seconded By Councillor Mattie

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve a new streetlight at the intersection of Cape Jack Road and Trunk 4.

Motion Carried

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

a. **Antigonish Heritage Museum Board**

There was nothing to report.

b. **Antigonish Arena Commission**

Warden McCarron shared that the meeting of the board that was scheduled to take place was postponed and is being rescheduled. Warden McCarron provided an overview regarding the appointment of members and the number of members on the Board. Deputy Warden Stewart offered to step down from the Board.

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart

Seconded By Councillor MacFarlane

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council appoint George Arsenault and Angus Bowie to the Arena Management Board.

Motion Carried

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart
Seconded By Councillor MacLellan

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council appoint Warden McCarron and Councillor Dunbar to the Arena Management Board.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Corbett
Seconded By Councillor Dunbar

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve 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 within from "Corporation" to "Association."

Motion Carried

c. **Antigonish Crime Prevention**

There was nothing to report.

d. **Eastern District Planning Commission**

The next EDPC Board meeting is scheduled to take place on May 24th.

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

The next ERSWM committee meeting is scheduled to take place on April 23rd.

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

Warden McCarron provided an update on the wind-down steps underway.

g. **Pictou Antigonish Regional Library**

Councillor MacLellan provided a review of the last library meeting, where library staff provided reports and updates on projects they have done. An update was also given on the adopt-a-book program, and various grants that the library has received.

h. **RK MacDonald Nursing Home**

There was nothing to report.

9. **Community Events**

The following upcoming community events were noted:

- Arisaig annual Mother's Day lobster dinner - May 12th
- May 4th - St. Joseph's Lakeside Community Centre fundraiser for the Antigonish Town and County Palliative Care Society.
- Havre Boucher Chase the Ace has started again
- Havre Boucher Pickleball takes place on the weekends - good turnout to date
- Community Association in Havre Boucher has been formed - first project is a beach development oversight; senior's housing planned for the future

10. **Staff Reports**

Mrs. Schumacher noted that staff reports were attached for the Committee's information.

11. **Additions to the Agenda**

a. **Contractor Request**

Deputy Warden Stewart was contacted by two contractors who have asked to meet with him and speak to the Committee. They are looking to come to a future Committee of the Whole meeting. Staff can make arrangements for this delegation on a future Committee of the Whole agenda.

b. **Breakfast in Lochaber**

Deputy Warden Stewart requested that a streetlight be installed at the highway where the entrance to the Lochaber Community Centre is located.

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart

Seconded By Councillor Chisholm

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve the installation of a streetlight at the entrance to the Lochaber Community Centre.

Motion Carried

12. **In Camera Items**

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 Personnel Matters at 6:57 pm.

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Corbett

Seconded By Councillor Chisholm

That the In-Camera Session be adjourned at 7:08 pm

Motion Carried

Moved By Councillor Chisholm
Seconded By Deputy Warden Stewart

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve the individuals recommended by the Recreation Department for positions of After-School and Summer Coordinator II, Inclusion Support Leaders, and Recreation Leader II.

Motion Carried

Moved By Deputy Warden Stewart
Seconded By Councillor Chisholm

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve hiring JoAnn Melanson-Crossman for the May-August term position in the Tax Office.

Motion Carried

13. **Adjournment**

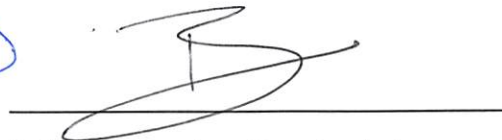
Moved By Councillor Dunbar

That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 7:08pm

Motion Carried



Warden Owen McCarron



Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk