

# **MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH**

## **COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AGENDA**

**Tuesday, October 15, 2019, 5:30 pm  
Council Chambers  
Municipal Administration Building  
285 Beech Hill Road  
Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4**

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1. Call to Order – Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron
2. Approval of Agenda
3. Approval of October 1, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes
4. Business Arising from the Minutes
5. Delegations  
There are no scheduled delegations.
6. Continuing Business
  - a. Antigonish Farmers Market
  - b. Private Roads Maintenance Discussion
  - c. Proposed Hospitality Policy Discussion
  - d. Tax Sale by Tender
7. New Business
  - a. Request for Travel Voucher Assistance - Aqua Arthritis - Aging Well in Antigonish Town and County
  - b. NSHA Living With Mental Illness and Addiction Conference
  - c. Streetlight Requests
    - Keppoch Road at St. Joseph's Road
    - Brookside Way
  - d. Sale of Tractor by Tender
  - e. Antigonish Arena Commission Board Vacancy
8. Reports from Inter-Municipal Boards, Committees and Commissions
  - a. Antigonish Heritage Museum Board
  - b. Antigonish Arena Commission
  - c. Antigonish Crime Prevention
  - d. Eastern District Planning Commission
  - e. Eastern Regional Solid Waste Management Committee
  - f. County – Paqtnkek Joint Steering Committee
  - g. Pictou Antigonish Regional Library
  - h. 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
  - a. EDPC Building Permit Report Jan 1 - Sept 30 2019
11. Additions to the Agenda
12. In Camera Items  
This subject matter falls within Section 22(2) of the Municipal Government Act as that which a committee may discuss in a closed session. It is recommended a motion be made to initiate an in-camera session to discuss the acquisition, sale, lease and security of municipal property. Materials will follow.
13. Adjournment

# **MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH**

## **Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, October 1, 2019, 5:30 pm  
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Present were:           Warden Owen McCarron  
                              Deputy Warden Hugh Stewart  
                              Councillor Donnie MacDonald  
                              Councillor Vaughan Chisholm  
                              Councillor Remi Deveau  
                              Councillor John Dunbar  
                              Councillor Gary Mattie  
                              Councillor Neil Corbett  
                              Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets:                 Councillor Mary MacLellan

Staff Present:           Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer  
                              Shirlyn Donovan, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator  
                              Allison Duggan, Director of Finance

Also Present:           Sunny MacDougall

### **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 5:36pm

### **2.     Approval of Agenda**

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the minutes. The following item was added to the agenda:

- Cultural Connections Antigonish

**Moved By** Councillor Deveau

**Seconded By** Councillor Chisholm

*That the agenda be approved as amended.*

**Motion Carried**

**3. Approval of September 23, 2019 Committee of the Whole Minutes**

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

**Moved By** Deputy Warden Stewart

**Seconded By** Councillor Mattie

*That the Committee of the Whole minutes of September 23, 2019 be approved as presented*

**Motion Carried**

**4. Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**7. New Business**

**a. Audited Financial Statements**

Mr. MacDougall provided the Committee with a presentation of the 2019-2020 Financial Statements, reviewing the document in detail. The floor was then opened for questions and comments. Mr. MacDougall noted that the figures for the Municipality depict a healthy operation. Discussion followed. Warden McCarron thanked Mr. MacDougall for his presentation and his team's work, and thanked Ms. Duggan and the Finance Team for all of the work that they have done both with the audit and with general financial operations.

Councillor MacFarlane asked about several of the reserve funds. Mr. MacDougall recommended having a 5 to 10-year plan for gas tax reserves.

**Moved By** Deputy Warden Stewart

**Seconded By** Councillor Deveau

*The Committee recommends that Municipal Council adopt the Audited Financial Statements as presented.*

**Motion Carried**

**b. Financial Information Return**

**Moved By** Councillor Mattie

**Seconded By** Councillor MacDonald

*The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approve the Financial Information Return.*

**Motion Carried**

**c. Introduction of Proposed Hospitality Policy**

Mr. Horne reviewed the Municipal Hospitality Policy. This policy works hand and glove with the expense policy. This will be looked at over the course of 3 nights. Tonight is the introduction. Ross MacDonald, Municipal Advisor, will come in for one session to explain the changes of the MGA. On the third night, staff could look for approval of the Policy.

**d. 5th Annual Business Ability Banquet**

The Committee would like to book a table for the 5th Annual Business Ability Banquet.

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

**a. Antigonish Heritage Museum Board**

Numbers have been down at the museum this summer. Councillor Corbett recommended coming up with some fundraising ideas.

**b. Antigonish Arena Commission**

Meeting scheduled for October 9.

**c. Antigonish Crime Prevention**

Committee had a presentation from the new staff sergeant. Committee is looking for new members.

**d. Eastern District Planning Commission**

No quorum at last meeting. John Bain had great praise for Sean Donovan for receiving his Level 2 inspector course.

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

No update.

**f. County – Paqtnkek Joint Steering Committee**

No update.

g. **Pictou Antigonish Regional Library**

No update.

h. **RK MacDonald Nursing Home**

No update.

9. **Community Events**

- Chase the Ace St Andrews Thursday Nights 7:00pm
- November 2nd Merchant Bingo
- October 27th Breakfast at the PJ Baccardax Hall
- Havre Boucher Veterans Memorial Sunday November 3rd
- Trivia Night Friday October 5 Heatherton Community Centre.
- Jimmy the Janitor October 18 Heatherton Community Centre.

10. **Staff Reports**

There were no staff reports to present.

11. **Additions to the Agenda**

There were no additions to the agenda.

12. **In Camera Items**

There were no in-camera items.

13. **Adjournment**

**Moved By** Councillor Deveau

*That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 6:44pm*

**Motion Carried**

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Warden Owen McCarron

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Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer

# Tax Sale by Tender

October 16, 2019

PID #	AAN #	Assessed Name	Address	Required Minimum Bid	Highest Bids Tendered
10027829	05403979	Phyllis Luster	Old Ash Road	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,113.38
01255090	00746967	Glen Simon	Highway 104	\$ 3,450.00	\$ 4,000.00
01309194	01971336	Heirs Trustees NS Building Society	Highway 316	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,013.00
01309202	01971301	Heirs Trustees NS Building Society	Highway 316	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,366.00
01309178	01971247	Angus MacInnis	Highway 316	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,833.00
01309186	02687062	John MacDonald Est.	Highway 316	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 1,833.00
01309210	01971271	William MacLean Est.	Highway 316	\$ 1,600.00	\$ 2,133.00
01204585	00898538	Daniel J Peters & Trudy L Jones	Big Marsh	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,500.00
01282227	01071041	Patrick Francis Bennett	984 Old Antigonish Rd	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,105.00
01282219	09103767	Patrick Francis Bennett	Old Antigonish Rd	\$ 800.00	\$ 800.00
01215599	03926931	Martin Rennie	Summerside Rd	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,001.00
01256221	06266134	Janice M Halfpenny et al	968 Cape Jack Rd	\$ 800.00	\$ 1,900.00
10012797 01307115 01307123	00182362	William T & Elizabeth A Campbell	Fougere Road	\$ 900.00	\$ 1,000.00

53 Sanderson's Way

Antigonish Landing B2G 2L2

September 29, 2019

To the Town and County of Antigonish Recreation Departments,

RE: Aqua Arthritis – Aging well in Antigonish Town and County.

We are writing to request assistance for vouchers for travel to and from the St. F. X pool for members of our class that are unable to attend without transportation. We are asking for \$500.00 from the town and \$500.00 from the county to be put towards vouchers for our members. We are hoping that Antigonish transit could bill you directly.

The Arthritis Aquatic Program is for adults with chronic injuries, recovering from surgery or other medical conditions, or those needing support to get active in the water. This program offered at St. F. X welcomes all. Thank you ST. F. X for all you do for us – reduced fees, pool access and wonderful life guards that waive and cheer us on!

We learn from each other. Our instructors started out as participants and are now in the process of training to be leaders. Seniors teaching seniors. The present group represents approx. 50 people ranging in age from 50-85 with a usual group of 30 people in the pool three times a week. (this is reduced in winter to about 20 because of driving and slush)

The focus is on heart, body and mind. Often our participants are single (spouse has passed away and children are away), lonely and shy. We recognize the need to allow time for connecting, learning and being active. These elements have increased our appreciation and support for each other. One of our participants, Val, was very nervous getting into the pool with her prosthetic leg and now she is one of our greatest cheerleaders! We are also focused on reaching out to others to join our program, as we know the first hand how much it helps our physical and mental wellness.

One of the major challenges we have is participants do not like to bother anyone about a ride to and from the gym. We are trying to make this program accessible for ourselves and others as we know that the pool reduces pain as well as social isolation.

Thank you for your consideration. If this works out this year, we hope to apply for provincial funding next year.

Regards,



Kathleen Robertsson – Representative

guidingyoureverymove@gmail.com



We'd love to build a  
house for you.  
We're happy to help.

Picture from our 2018  
Christmas Party.

# Living

WITH MENTAL ILLNESS AND ADDICTION  
2019 CONFERENCE

**Thursday, November 7, 2019**  
**Royal Canadian Legion Branch 59,**  
**75 St. Ninian's Street, Antigonish**  
**9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**



**Online registration opens  
on October 7, 2019.**

To register, see the EventBrite link.

Lunch will be provided.  
*Please notify us if you have any  
dietary restrictions.*

There is no cost associated with  
this conference.

**For more information, contact**  
**Andrea Donovan (andrea.donovan@nshealth) or**  
**Celeste Gotell (celeste.gotell@nshealth.ca)**



## Speakers Include:

\* speaker will be live streamed from Sydney.

- MC: Wendy Bergfeldt \*
- Garry Leech \*  
(Author)
- Gavin Quinn (The Outsiders  
Insight Project), Tom Curry  
(NSHA Music Therapist),  
Rachel Power (Arts Health  
Antigonish)
- Karen Campbell Green \*
- Keith Anderson \*  
(Worth Living)
- Substance Use &  
Stigma Panel \*
- Park Bench Players

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## REQUEST FOR DIRECTON

**TO:** Committee of the Whole  
**FROM:** BETH SCHUMACHER, DEPUTY CLERK  
**SUBJECT:** TENDER FOR 1998 JOHN DEERE TRACTOR  
**DATE:** 2019-10-15

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### RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the Committee accept the bid from Mr. Gary Chisholm of \$2311.00 for the 1998 JOHN DEERE TRACTOR – MODEL 4200 that was advertised for sale by Tender.

### SUMMARY

A Tender was advertised publicly and closed on October 4, 2019 for the sale of a 1998 John Deere Tractor that the Municipality deemed surplus after replacing it with a newer tractor earlier this year. Four bids were received, which were as follows:

1. Gary Chisholm – bid \$2311.00
2. Leo morrison – bid \$1606.00
3. Dan Kulanek -bid \$1500.00
4. Tom Melanson – bid \$2201.50

Staff is recommending that the tractor be sold to Mr. Gary Chisholm at the bid price of \$2311.00

**Antigonish County**

**Building Permits (January 1 - September 30)**

	Permits		Value	
	2019	2018	2019	2018
<b>Residential</b>				
New	28	53	\$ 8,797,000	\$ 14,134,000
Mobile Homes	31	30	3,273,521	3,081,000
Additions, Alterations and Renovations	25	30	1,327,000	1,878,600
Garages and Accessory Buildings	38	42	1,006,500	1,180,500
Multiple Units	13	1	4,650,000	460,000
	<b>135</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>\$ 19,054,021</b>	<b>\$ 20,734,100</b>
<b>Agricultural, Commercial or Industrial</b>				
Agricultural	1	5	\$ 30,000	\$ 4,750,000
Commercial	10	13	10,350,943	1,429,900
Industrial	0	1	-	60,000
	<b>11</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>\$ 10,380,943</b>	<b>\$ 6,239,900</b>
<b>Institutional Buildings</b>				
New	0	0	\$ -	\$ -
Additions and Alterations	0	2	-	107,000
	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>\$ -</b>	<b>\$ 107,000</b>
<b>Other</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>\$ 1,500</b>	<b>\$ 142,000</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>\$ 29,436,464</b>	<b>\$ 27,223,000</b>

