

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF
ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes

Tuesday, May 15, 2018

7:30 pm

Councillors Present:

Warden Owen McCarron
Deputy Warden Hugh Stewart
Councillor Mary MacLellan
Councillor Donnie MacDonald
Councillor Vaughn Chisholm

Councillor Remi Deveau
Councillor John Dunbar
Councillor Neil Corbett
Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets:

Councillor Gary Mattie

Staff Present:

Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer
Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk
Tracey MacEachern, Tax Clerk

Allison Duggan, Director of Finance
Adam Rogers, Solicitor - Boudrot Rodgers Law Firm
Darlene Thompson, Tax Clerk

Gallery:

Mike MacEachern
Gabe Chisholm
Riley Chisholm

Sarah O'Toole
Adele MacFarlane
Jen Leuschner

Press:

Matt Draper, XFM

Greg Morrow, 101.5 The Hawk

1. Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:34pm.

2. Approval of Agenda

Warden McCarron asked for any additions or deletions to the agenda. Deputy Warden Stewart requested an addition to the agenda: Petition from Pinevale – Pitchers Farm Road residents.

Min#2018-072 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan
SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

3. **Approval of Municipal Council Minutes of April 17, 2018**

Warden McCarron asked for any errors or omissions in the April 17th Council minutes. Councillor Dunbar noted an amendment to include additional details in an amendment to the February minutes.

Min#2018-073 (Approval of April 17, 2018 Minutes)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane

That the Municipal Council Minutes of April 17th, 2018 be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

4. **Business Arising from Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

5. **Presentations**

a. Presentation of Municipal Employee Service Recognition

Warden McCarron said a few words outlining the service that Tracey MacEachern has provided to the Community over the past five years in her role in the Tax Office. Mrs. MacEachern was presented with a certificate, and photographs were taken.

b. Antigonish Culture Alive, ASAP Artist Run Centre, and Arts Health Antigonish

Sarah O'Toole, Adele MacFarlane, and Jen Leuschner provided a joint presentation on behalf of Antigonish Culture Alive, ASAP Artist Run Centre, and Arts Health Antigonish. Each provided a brief overview of the services provided by their organization, and projects and events planned for this year in the community. Clips from a video highlighting the art installation done at The Landing was then shown to Council; the full film will be shown at this year's Antigonight event. The presenters were thanked for coming to Council and their time.

c. Special Olympics Cairn Stone Presentation

Councillor Mary Farrell from Town Council was presented with a stone by Warden McCarron, as a contribution towards the cairn that is being constructed to commemorate the Special Olympics that are taking place in the community this summer. The cairn will be placed in Cairn Park after the event. Photographs were taken, and Councillor Farrell was thanked for her work on the project.

d. Antigonish Forest School

Gabe and Riley Chisholm provided an overview of the concept of a Forest and Farm School, which is a program that they are looking to bring to the

community. Approximately 60 people have expressed an interest in participating with this school program, and some of the next steps for setting up the school were reviewed. The proposed site for the school would be on a 17 acre section of Sweet Mountain Farm in Ohio. The plan is to have 20 students enrolled for the school starting in September.

Deputy Warden Stewart thanked the presenters for coming in to provide Council with information about their initiative. Councillor Corbett asked about the intended age range for the school; for now, the target age range is grades P-8. Councillor MacLellan asked some questions about the intended curriculum intended to be used. A question was also asked about school hours.

6. Correspondence

Mr. Horne reviewed the items of correspondence that were included in the agenda package.

- a. Minister of Transportation - Response regarding Trunk 4 / Trunk 16 Intersection Safety Concerns
- b. Minister of Transportation - Response Regarding Antigonish-Guysborough Road Conditions
- c. Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing - 12 month notice letter

7. Committee Reports

a. May 1st Asset Management Committee

Min#2018-074 (Priority Projects for Infrastructure Funding)

MOVED by Councillor MarFarlane
SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That Municipal Council short-list the North Grant Waterline Extension and the Church Street to Beech Hill Waterline Looping projects as priorities for a 2018-2019 infrastructure funding opportunity.

Motion Carried

Min#2018-075 (PCAP Application Approval)

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane
SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm

That Municipal Council approve the PCAP application for Appleseed Drive Curb Stormwater Management Project.

Motion Carried

Min#2018-076 (J-Class Road Cost Sharing)

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor Deputy Warden Stewart

That Municipal Council approve the list of approved projects and cost estimates for the Cost Shared Program for Paving of Subdivision (J Class) Streets for fiscal year 2018-2019.

Motion Carried

Min#2018-077 (Excavator Tender Award)

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor Deveau

That Municipal Council award Strongco the tender for the purchase of an EC160E Volvo Excavator.

Motion Carried

b. May 1st Committee of the Whole

Min#2018-078 (EDPC IMA Amendment)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan

That Municipal Council approve the proposed amendment to the Inter-Municipal Services Agreement for the Eastern District Planning Commission, to add the Town of Antigonish.

Motion Carried

Min#2018-079 (Riverside Speedway Sponsorship)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That Municipal Council renews their corporate sponsorship of Riverside Speedway for the 2018 racing season, at the Gold Package level with a cost of \$2875 (incl HST).

Motion Carried

Min#2018-080 (Mobi-Mat Pilot)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That Municipal Council make an investment in a mobi-mat product, on a pilot basis for Pomquet Beach, at a cost of no more than \$12,000.

Motion Carried

Min#2018-081 (Spring 2018 Bulky Waste Tender Award)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm

That Municipal Council accept the tender from Eastern Sanitation Limited for the Bulky Waste Collection Spring 2018, at a bid price of \$50,994.83 (incl HST).

Motion Carried

Min#2018-082 (Detour Signage Request)

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That Municipal Council approve sending a letter to Minister Hines requesting that detour signage at Exit 26 on Highway 104 also make reference to the scenic route "Sunrise Trail".

Motion Carried

c. May 8th Committee of the Whole

Mr. Horne read the report to Council, noting that no motions had been made at that Committee meeting.

d. May 15th Committee of the Whole

Min#2018-083 (Well #7 Tender Award)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan

That Municipal Council reject all bids for the Well #7 Building

Motion Carried

8. Addition to Agenda - Petition of Pinevale Road Residents to DTIR

Deputy Warden Stewart presented a petition on behalf of the residents of Pinevale - Pitcher Farm Road requesting upgrade the roadway to DTIR. Deputy Warden Stewart requested that a motion be made to send a copy of the petition to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

Min#2018-084 (Pinevale – Pitchers Farm Road Petition to DTIR)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm

That Council send a copy of the Petition submitted by the Residents of Pinevale - Pitcher Farm Road, requesting road upgrading and paving, to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal.

9. Reports from Individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Commissions

Councillor Chisholm reported that he attended:

- Friendship Accord Signing
- Friendship Corner fundraising breakfast

Councillor MacFarlane reported that he attended:

- Friendship Accord Signing
- NSFM Spring Workshop

Councillor Deveau reported that he attended:

- Friendship Accord Signing
- Pickleball Demonstration in Arisaig
- ST. FX Convocation
- Security at MayFest
- Enterprise Centre - notice of training sessions for students in Antigonish County to start their own business - will forward information

Councillor Corbett reported that he attended:

- NSFM Spring Workshop - Discussions about Asset Management, Transportation, and Cannabis. Tammy Feltmate was there and gave a presentation about projects in the Antigonish Community
- Friendship Accord Signing and CEDI Workshops
- Eastern Plan Advisory Committee meeting
- Pickleball Demonstration

Councillor MacLellan reported that she attended:

- Friendship Accord Signing and CEDI Workshops
- Saltscapes
- Cannabis Information Session at the Legion
- Tour of the new Legion/CACL building

Councillor MacDonald reported that he attended:

- CEDI Workshop

Warden McCarron reported that he attended:

- CAO/CEO Forum in Truro
- Several Special Olympics planning meetings
- Friendship Accord Signing and CEDI Workshops
- Arena Commission Meeting
- Pickleball Demonstration

- Mayors and Wardens Meeting
- Renewable Energy Workshop
- Morning convocation at St. FX

11. Miscellaneous Business

Mr. Horne noted that a special council meeting will be held on Thursday, May 24th at 6:30pm for the purpose of Striking the Tax Rate.

12. Adjournment

Warden McCarron asked for a motion to adjourn the Council meeting.

Min#2018-085 (Motion to Adjourn)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Deputy Warden Stewart

That the Council meeting adjourns at 8:43pm.

Motion Carried



Warden Owen McCarron



Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer