

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**Tuesday
April 15, 2014**

A Meeting of Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Antigonish was held on Tuesday, April 15, 2014 at 7:40 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Centre, 285 Beech Hill Road, Antigonish, NS.

Present were: **Deputy Warden Owen McCarron**

Councillor Vaughan Chisholm
Councillor Donnie MacDonald
Councillor Mary MacLellan
Councillor Rémi Deveau

Councillor Angus Bowie
Councillor Bill MacFarlane
Councillor Pierre Boucher

Regrets: Warden Russell Boucher
Councillor Hughie Stewart

Also present was: Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Adam Rodgers, Municipal Solicitor
Joyce Levangie, Recording Secretary
Corey LeBlanc, The Casket
Bill MacCuish, 98.9 XFM
Matt Draper, The Reporter
Sergeant Brian Rehill, Antigonish RCMP Detachment
Jamie Stewart, Canadian Association for Community Living

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Deputy Warden Owen McCarron who welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Deputy Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

The following items were added to the Agenda:

3. RCMP Update – Sergeant Rehill
- 9a. Correspondence – Canadian Post Master Association

Min #2014-050 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the agenda be approved as amended. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Deputy Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of March 18, 2014 Meeting of Municipal Council three times. Hearing none, he called for approval of the Minutes as presented.

Min #2014-051 (Approval of Minutes – March 18, 2014)

MOVED by Councillor Rémi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Pierre Boucher that the minutes of the March 18, 2014 Meeting of Municipal Council be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

RCMP UPDATE

Acting Staff Sergeant Brian Rehill appeared before Council with an update on activities over the past year, and the activities that will be focused on for the upcoming year.

Council members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Deputy Warden McCarron thanked Sergeant Rehill for his presentation.

PRESENTATION – Canadian Association for Community Living

Jeff Teasdale thanked Council for allowing him to make a presentation on behalf of the Antigonish Association of Community Living to give an update on the Association's activities. Mr. Teasdale added as well, that a request will be made for financial assistance as part of the presentation. (Presentation attached to the Minutes)

Council members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Deputy Warden McCarron thanked the Mr. Teasdale for his presentation and all the work he does with the CACL. Warden Boucher noted that the request for funding will be considered during budget deliberations.

RECREATION COMMITTEE REPORT – April 8, 2014

Min #2014-052 (2014 Summer Staff Employment)

MOVED by Councillor Angus Bowie, SECONDED by Councillor Pierre Boucher that the recommendations for the 2014 Summer Staff be approved as per the attached list. Motion carried.

OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT – April 8, 2014

Min #2014-053 (Community Identity Signage)

MOVED by Councillor R mi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that a Request for Proposals be advertised for Community Identity Signage. Motion carried.

PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT – April 14, 2014

Min #2014-54 (Development Agreement – Affordable Housing Society)

MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that the County approve, on 1st Reading and proceed to Public Hearing, an application for a Development Agreement between the Town of Antigonish (on behalf of the Antigonish Affordable Housing Society) and the Municipality of the County of Antigonish with respect to the Affordable Living Complex “Riverside Estates” on property PID #01223668 located off Vincent’s Way, Sylvan Valley. Motion carried.

Min #2014-55 (Amendment to Antigonish Fringe Planning Strategy)

MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor R mi Deveau that the County approve, on 1st Reading and proceed to Public Hearing, an application by John G. MacDonald to amend the Land Use By-Law for the Antigonish County Planning Area to add Commercial Storage Facility as a use permitted in the Gateway Commercial (GC-1) zone of the Antigonish Fringe Plan. Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – March 18, 2014

Min #2014-056 (Miniature Horse Association)

MOVED by Councillor R mi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm that the County of Antigonish continue their sponsorship of \$100.00 for the Annual Miniature Horse Shoe being held in Antigonish on June 21 & 22, 2014. Motion carried.

Min #2014-057 (Newspapers Subscriptions)

MOVED by Councillor Angus Bowie, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the County of Antigonish subscribe to the Chronicle Herald at an annual cost of \$370.00; The Reporter (Port Hawkesbury) at an annual cost of \$51.00; and The Guysborough Journal at an annual cost of \$45.00. Motion carried.

Min #2014-058 (Tax Write off – Account #03546365)

MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm that the County of Antigonish write off the taxes on Account #03546365 on the house only for year 2014/15 due to it being destroyed by fire. Motion carried.

ROAD NAME CHANGE – North Grant Area

Min #2014-59 (Road Name Change – Partridge Lane)

MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor Pierre Boucher that the proposed name for a currently unnamed Private Road in North Grant be tabled and forwarded to the Eastern District Planning Commission & the NS Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal for comment. Motion carried.

UPDATES/REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Pierre Boucher reported that he had attended a meeting of the Eastern Region Solid Waste Management Committee.

Councillor Mary MacLellan reported that she attended:

- Library meetings
- Breakfast meeting with Lloyd Hines, topic was on Economic & Development

Councillor Rémi Deveau reported that he attended an Arena Commission Meeting to draw for the 50/50, which is going well.

Councillor Bill MacFarlane reported that he attended:

- To meetings with the Eastern District Planning Commission
- Fundraiser for Central Nova MP, Peter MacKay, at which Brian Mulroney spoke

Deputy Warden McCarron reported that he attended:

- Arena Commission meeting
- School Expansion meeting – St. Andrews School

CANADIAN POST MASTER ASSOCIATION

Deputy Warden McCarron received correspondence from the Canadian Post Master Association noting that the hours of the Post Office in St. Andrews are being reduced from 32 to 22. Deputy Warden is requesting that Council issue a letter expressing their concern on the Canada Post decision.

Min #2014-060 (Issue Letter – Canada Post)

MOVED by Councillor Rémi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that the Municipality of the County of Antigonish issue a letter of concern to the Canadian Post Master Association expressing concerns on the decision made on the reduction of hours of operation for the St. Andrews Post Office. These concerns would be for all Rural Post Offices. Motion carried.

Deputy Warden Owen McCarron congratulated, on behalf of Council, 98.9 XFM on their prestigious award, the Byron MacGregor Award, for best radio newscast in Atlantic Canada.

On motion by Councillor Mary MacLellan, meeting adjourned at 8:35 pm.



Warden Russell Boucher



Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer