



Municipal Council Meeting - Minutes
Tuesday, October 21, 2014
7:30 to 9:15 pm

Present: Warden Russell Boucher, Chairperson
Deputy Warden Owen McCarron

Councillors: Vaughan Chisholm Angus Bowie
Donnie MacDonald Bill MacFarlane
Mary MacLellan Pierre Boucher
Hughie Stewart

Regrets: Councillor Rémi Deveau

Also present: Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Chris Boyd, Solicitor – Boudrot & Rodgers Law Firm
Joyce Levangie, Recorder
Beth Schumacher, Senior Planner, Eastern District Planning Commission
Trudy LeBlanc, Sr. Advisor Municipal Client Relations, PVSC
Jeana MacLeod, Volunteer & Outreach Coordinator, Clean NS
Corey LeBlanc, The Casket
Adam Cooke, The Reporter
Greg Morrow, The Hawk
Bill MacCuish, 98.9 XFM
Boyd MacIsaac, R.J. MacIsaac Construction
Gallery

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, Warden Russell Boucher who welcomed everyone to the meeting.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Warden Boucher called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

The following items were added to the Agenda.

- 1) 2 Items under Correspondence
- 2) #8 Miscellaneous Business - AMA Spring Conference
- 3) Congratulatory Message

Min #2014-150 (Approval of Agenda)

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

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES – September 16, 2014

Warden Boucher called for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of September 15, 2014 Meeting of Municipal Council three times.

Min #2014-151 (Approval of Minutes – September 16, 2014)

MOVED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the Minutes of the September 16, 2014 Meeting of Municipal Council be approved as presented. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Councillor MacLellan noted that on Minute #2014-147, it is very important to keep showing the County's support on the twinning of Highway 104 west of Antigonish, as there has recently been another fatal accident at this intersection.

PUBLIC HEARING

Mr. Horne reviewed the Public Hearing Protocol in accordance with the requirements of the *Municipal Government Act*.

Amendment to the Zoning Map in the Land Use By-Law in the Antigonish Planning Area

Beth Schumacher, Senior Planner, EDPC appeared before Council to review an Amendment to the Zoning Map in the Land Use By-Law for the Antigonish Planning Area (Fringe Plan), to rezone a property identified as PID #01249846 from Rural Development (RD-1) zone to Gateway Commercial (GC-1) zone. Ms. Schumacher's Staff Report is attached to the minutes.

This amendment would allow any use in the Gateway Commercial zone to be considered for the site, subject to the regulations of that zone. A future development application would be subject to meeting the evaluation criteria for a Site Plan as noted in Part 12, Sections 4 through 7 in the Land Use By-Law.

Ms. Schumacher noted that Staff is recommending the approval of this amendment as per the Staff Report.

Ms. Schumacher was thanked for her report.

Council Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Warden Boucher asked if there was anyone present against the amendment.

Mr. Mark Oulette, Summerled, then approached Council. Mr. Oulette owns the property across from PID #01249846. Mr. Oulette has two concerns pertaining to planning matters, specifically regarding process and site access.

Ms. Schumacher will address these concerns and respond back to Mr. Horne.

Warden Boucher asked if there was anyone present in favor of the amendment. There was no one present to speak in favor.

<p>Min #2014-152 (Amendment to the Zoning Map – Antigonish Fringe Area) <i>MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Hughie Stewart that Municipal Council table the recommendation to amend the Zoning Map in the Land Use By-Law for the Antigonish Planning Area (Fringe Plan), to rezone a property identified as PID #01249846 from Rural Development (RD-1) zone to Gateway (GC-1) zone until two concerns pertaining to planning matters be addressed. Motion carried.</i></p>

PRESENTATIONS

Property Valuation Services Corporation (PVSC)

Trudy LeBlanc, Sr. Advisor Municipal Client Relations, appeared before Council with a presentation on Property Valuation Services. (Presentation attached to the Minutes)

Council Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Warden Boucher thanked Ms. LeBlanc for her presentation.

Low Income Energy Efficiency Programming in Nova Scotia

Jean MacLeod, Clean NS appeared before Council with a presentation on the Low Income Energy Efficiency Programming in Nova Scotia. (Presentation attached to the Minutes)

Council Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Ms. MacLeod was thanked for her presentation.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole Report, E-Poll – September 22, 2014

<p>Min #2014-153 (Emergency Management Coordinator Position) <i>MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the job description for Emergency Management Coordinator be approved and an advertisement be circulated to fill this vacancy. Motion carried.</i></p>

Min #2014-154 (ERSWM Endorse Regulations)

MOVED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the Eastern Regional Solid Waste Management Committee response to the solid waste regulation stakeholder consultation be endorsed. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole Report – October 6, 2014

Min #2014-155 (Rename Highway #4 to South River Road)

MOVED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that Highway #4 in the Fringe Area be renamed to South River Road effective November 1, 2014. Motion carried.

Min #2014-156 (Procurement Policy)

MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the updated Procurement Policy be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Min #2014-157 (X-Men Hockey Media Guide Ad)

MOVED by Councillor Angus Bowie, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the Municipality renew its sponsorship for the annual X-Men Hockey Media Guide in the amount of \$200.00. Motion carried.

Min #2014-158 (County Apparel for Employees)

MOVED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that a polo style shirt and a hat, with the County logo, be purchased for all Municipal Staff at an approximate cost of \$1,000.00. Motion carried.

Min #2014-159 (African Heritage Month)

MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the County participate in the celebration for African Heritage Month to be held at the People's Place Library in early February 2015. The County would make a financial contribution of \$150.00 towards this event. Motion carried.

Finance Committee Report – October 21, 2014

Min #2014-160 (Financial Statements – FY 2013/14)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Hughie Stewart that the Financial Statements for Fiscal Year 2013/2014 be approved as presented by Sonny MacDougall. Motion carried.

Min #2014-161 (Capital Investment Plan)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that the 5-year Capital Investment Plan for the Province be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Min #2014-162 (Paving Cost Share Agreement)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm that another 3 year agreement be signed with Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal for paving of Subdivision Streets. The current agreement expires in March 31, 2015. Motion carried.

Min #2014-163 (Dr. J.H. Gillis High School Band Sponsorship)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the County sponsor a ½ page ad in the program for the “Music of the Night” performance by the Regional Band High School being held in November and December in the amount of \$250.00. Motion carried.

Min #2014-164 (Boundary Review Update)

MOVED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that the Boundary Review be approved as presented. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence has been received from the following:

- 1) Thank you letter – Town of Port Hawkesbury for the support letter regarding their funding application to Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency (ACOA)
- 2) Request to Support to save Canada Post
- 3) Heatherton Development Culture & Wellness Association thanking Council for allowing the transfer ownership
- 4) Agriculture – Animal Protection Act
- 5) Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – Twinning of Highway 4, west of Antigonish

UPDATES/REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Deputy Warden Owen McCarron reported that he attended:

- Poverty Reduction Luncheon
- Unveiling of New Veteran’s Memorial

Councillor Donnie MacDonald attended the official opening of Purlbrook Enterprises (DKI)

Councillor Mary MacLellan reported that she attended:

- Meeting at the Millennium Centre – Andrew Younger RE: Electricity
- Library Conference – September 26th to 29th
- October 7 – Library Exhibit – “Thunder Maker”
- Boundary Review Open House
- “Sharing the View” Arts Social

Councillor Pierre Boucher reported that he attended the Waste Diversion Conference in Halifax.

Councillor Angus Bowie reported that he is attending on-going meetings regarding the Heatherton School, and looking forward to the name transfer in November.

Warden Boucher reported that he attended:

- Chamber Breakfast, Premier MacNeil
- Exhibition in Truro
- Dr. Ken MacDonald Initiation, St. F.X.
- Meeting with Michelin
- Boundary Review Open House
- St. Andrews, laying of wreath on behalf of Council
- St. Joseph's, Priority Setting Workshop

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Mr. Horne noted that the AMA Spring Conference is being held in June 2015. Glenn and Stephen Fiest will be hosting this event at St. F.X. University.

CONGRATULATORY

Deputy Warden McCarron extended congratulations, on behalf of Council, to Hughie Stewart and family on their relocation of their business Purlbrook Enterprises (DKI).

Moved by Councillor Mary MacLellan and seconded by Councillor Pierre Boucher that the meeting adjourn @ 9:15 pm.


Warden Russell Boucher


Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer