



MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting - Minutes

Thursday, December 17, 2015

7:30pm

Present: Warden Russell Boucher, Chairperson
Deputy Warden Owen McCarron

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

Also present: Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Shirlyn Donovan, Interim Deputy Clerk

Corey LeBlanc, Antigonish Casket
Matthew Draper, Port Hawkesbury Reporter
Bill MacCuish, 98.9 XFM
Greg Morrow, 101.5 The Hawk

The meeting was called to order at 7:39pm by the Chair, Warden Russell Boucher.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Min #2015-168 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Deputy Warden McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau, that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Warden Boucher called for the approval of the Municipal Council Minutes of November 17th, 2015.

Min #2015-169 (Approval of November 17th Council Minutes)

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald and SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan, that the Municipal Council Minutes of November 17th, 2015 be approved. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

PRESENTATION

Municipal Government Act Review

Mr. Horne reviewed the slides outlining the ongoing review of the Municipal Government Act.

CORRESPONDANCE

1. Geoff MacLellan – Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal – Letter in response to Municipal Councils request for a speed limit reduction along Highway 337 in the Mount Cameron area.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole Report – November 24th, 2015

Min #2015-170 (Special Event Permit)

MOVED by Councillor Bowie, SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm that Municipal Council approve the Special Event Permit for the Evolve Festival based on the conditions outlined in the September 16th letter attached. One nay vote, Councillor MacFarlane. Motion carried.

Economic Development and Industrial Park Commission – November 24th, 2015

Min #2015-171 (Industrial Park Sign)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Deputy Warden McCarron that the Municipality proceed with a short term repair to the Industrial Park Sign. Motion Carried.

Min #2015-172 (Appraisal for Lot 08-5)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Deputy Warden McCarron that the Municipality receive an appraisal for Lot 08-5 situated at the Industrial Park. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole Report – December 17th, 2015

Min #2015-174 (Advance of Funds for Arena Commission)

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that Municipal Council approve the advance of funds to the Antigonish Arena Commission. Motion carried.

Min #2015-175 (New Street Light – Beech Hill Road)

MOVED by Councillor Chisholm, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane that Municipal Council approve the request for a new street light on Beech Hill Road. Motion carried.

Min #2015-176 (Staff Training Opportunity)

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan that Municipal Council approve the request for a staff training opportunity from Quantum Communications. Motion carried.

Min #2015-177 (Letter to Strait Regional School Board)

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan that Municipal Council send a letter to the Strait Regional School Board outlining concerns about their fair play policy. Motion carried.

MOTIONS

Min #2015-178 (New Year's Levee)

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council take part in the annual New Year's Levee hosted by Legion Branch 59 in Antigonish, in partnership with the Town of Antigonish, and contribute \$1000 for this event. Motion carried.

UPDATES/REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor MacLellan reported that she attended:

- RK Lights of Love Celebration
- Chamber Dinner

Councillor MacDonald reported that he attended:

- RK Lights of Love Celebration
- Christmas Parade
- County Open House
- Staff Volunteer Dinner at RK

Deputy Warden McCarron reported that he attended:

- Care Van Meeting
- Arena Commission Meeting
- RK Lights of Love Celebration
- 25th Anniversary of St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation

Councillor MacFarlane reported that he attended:

- Christmas Parade
- County Open House

Councillor Bowie reported that he attended:

- Christmas Parade
- County Open House
- Antigonish Community Transit Meeting

Councillor Deveau reported that he attended:

- Arena Commission Meeting
- 25th Anniversary of St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation

Councillor Chisholm reported that he attended:

- RK Board Meeting
- Christmas Parade
- County Open House
- Heritage Board Meeting
- 25th Anniversary of St. Martha's Regional Hospital Foundation

Warden Boucher reported that he attended:

- Installation of Chancellor Crocker at StFX University
- Tree Lighting at Columbus Field
- Christmas Parade
- County Open House
- StFX Fall Convocation
- Christmas Social in Port Hawkesbury
- Arenas Commission Meeting
- Mayors and Wardens Meeting

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

The Committee of the Whole meeting which normally takes place on the first Tuesday of the month will not be taking place in January.

Warden Boucher wished a Merry Christmas and Happy Holidays to all members of Council, residents, staff and media.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Min #2015-179 (Motion to Adjourn)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that the Council meeting adjourns at 8:05pm. Motion carried.

Council Meeting was called back to order at 8:36pm to approve the following motion.

Min #2015-180 (Shellfish Waste and Tipping fee)

MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that the landfill accept shellfish waste from Processing Plant in Cheticamp at a reduced tipping fee of \$45.00/tonne. Motion carried.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Min #2015-181 (Motion to Adjourn)

MOVED by Deputy Warden McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan that the Council meeting adjourns at 8:37pm. Motion carried.

Warden Russell Boucher

Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer