

COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Tuesday, July 26th, 2016 at 7:30pm

Municipal Administration Centre

- 1) Call to Order – Chairman, Warden Russell Boucher
- 2) Approval of Agenda
- 3) Approval of Municipal Council Minutes of June 21st, 2016
- 4) Business Arising from Minutes
- 5) Presentations
 - a) John Bain – Eastern District Planning Commission
 - i. Dangerous and Unsightly Premises recommendation for 5417 Highway 7, West River
- 6) Correspondence
 - a) Brain Injury Association of Nova Scotia
- 7) Committee Reports
 - a) Committee of the Whole – July 26th, 2016 (will be provided at meeting)
- 8) Reports from Individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Committees, and Commissions
- 9) Miscellaneous Business
- 10) Adjournment



MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, June 21st, 2016

7:30pm

Present: Warden Russell Boucher
Deputy Warden Owen McCarron

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

Regrets: None

Also present: Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk
John Bain, Director - Eastern District Planning Commission
Adam Rodgers, Solicitor- Boudrot Rodgers Law Firm

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

Gallery: Lise DeVilliers, ACALA
Angus MacGillivray and Janet Becigneul, Affordable Housing Society
Michael MacEachern, Antigonish Art Fair
Mike MacDonald, Emergency Fuel Fund
Elaine Robertson, Mini Trail Community Centre Association
Angela Bresson, Seaside Communications
Greg MacDougall, 4-Valleys Volunteer Fire Department
Benny Tenbrinke, St. Andrew's Volunteer Fire Department
Jim Lerikos, VON
Members of the William's Point Community Centre Association
Matthew Schumacher

The meeting was called to order at 7:33pm by the Chair, Warden Russell Boucher.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Min #2016-084 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher, that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Warden Boucher called for the approval of the Municipal Council Minutes of May 24, 2016.

Min #2016-085 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane, that the Municipal Council minutes of May 24, 2016 be approved. Motion carried.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Statutory Public Hearing

Mr. Bain provided a brief summary of the planning staff report found within the Council agenda package. Planning staff is recommending that Council remove the maximum size limitation on accessory buildings in the Central Planning Area where such buildings are proposed for properties without access to central municipal sewer services. These areas are characterized by larger lot sizes than in areas with access to municipal sewer services and typically are also characterized by a wider spectrum of permitted uses. Mr. Bain noted that this amendment would be in keeping with the provisions found in the adjacent planning area under the Antigonish Fringe Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law.

Warden Boucher asked if anyone was in attendance to speak in support or opposition to the proposal. No one came forward.

Min #2016-086 (Central Plan Area Accessory Building Amendment)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher, that an amendment to Clause 6.A.1.b. in the Central Antigonish Land Use By-law, to limit the restriction on accessory building sizes to those areas serviced with municipal sewer services, be approved. Motion carried.

PRESENTATIONS

Community Grant Cheque Presentations took place in Council Chambers, and members of Municipal Council presented cheques to groups as follows:

- Councillor MacLellan presented a cheque to Lise DeVilliers, representing ACALA
- Councillor MacDonald presented a cheque to Angus MacGillivray and Janet Becigneul, who were representing the Affordable Housing Society
- Warden Boucher presented a cheque to Michael MacEachern, representing the Antigonish Art Fair
- Councillor Bowie presented a cheque to Mike MacDonald, representing the Emergency Fuel Fund
- Councillor MacDonald presented a cheque to Elaine Robertson, representing the Mini Trail Community Centre Association
- Councillors MacDonald and MacLellan presented a cheque with Angela Breasson of Seaside Communications to Greg MacDougall, representing 4-Valleys Volunteer Fire Department

- Deputy Warden McCarron presenting a cheque with Angela Breasson of Seaside Communications to Benny Tenbrinke, representing St. Andrew's Volunteer Fire Department
- Warden Boucher and Councillor MacDonald presented a cheque to Jim Lerikos, representing VON
- Councillor MacFarlane presented a cheque to Members of the William's Point Community Centre Association

CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence has been received from the following:

- Ford Rice, Superintendent of Schools - Strait Regional School Board
 - Response to letter re: fair play in school sports
- John Bain, Director – Eastern District Planning Commission
 - EDCPC 2015-2016 Annual Report and Financial Statements

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole E-Poll– June 1, 2016

Min #2016-087 (Recreation Job Postings)

MOVED by Deputy Warden McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald, that a public competition be initiated for a full time position of physical Activity Coordinator and a one (1) year term position as Recreation Programmer, be approved. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole – June 7, 2016

Min #2016-088 (Bursaries)

MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher, that bursaries in the amount of \$200 each to École Acadienne de Pomquet and the East Antigonish Education Centre, be approved. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole E-Poll – June 16, 2016

Min #2016-089 (Collection Vehicle Operator)

MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm, that Stuart Jessens be hired for the position of Collection Vehicle Operator, effective June 20, 2016. Motion carried.

Committee of the Whole – May 24th, 2016

Min #2016-090 (Recreation Programmer One (1) Year Term)

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Deputy Warden McCarron, that Devon McGrath be hired for the position of Recreation Programmer for a one (1) year term starting in August 2016. Motion carried.

Min #2016-091 (Physical Activity Coordinator)

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane, that Meaghan MacNeil be hired for the full-time permanent position of Physical Activity Coordinator starting July 2016. Motion carried.

Min #2016-092 (Terrapure Landfill Lease)

MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm, that the Municipality enter into the amended agreement with Terrapure for the lease of lands at the Beech Hill Landfill. Motion carried.

Min #2016-093 (Public Works Truck Tender)

MOVED by Councillor Deputy Warden McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane, that Municipal Council award the tender for a new Public Works vehicle to MacDonald Chrysler Limited in the amount of \$30,874.00 (plus licensing and HST). Motion carried.

Min #2016-094 (NSF Cheque Fees)

MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane, that Municipal Council increase the fee for Non-Sufficient Fund (NSF) cheques received by the Municipality to \$20.00 per cheque. Motion carried.

Min #2016-095 (Records Management Plan and Policy)

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald, that the Records Management Plan and Policy as proposed by staff be approved. Motion carried.

Min #2016-096 (Tracadie VFD Fire Pond Light)

MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Bowie, that Municipal Council cover the cost of a street light for the Tracadie District Volunteer Fire Department at their Fire Pond in Monastery. Motion carried.

UPDATES/REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Deputy Warden McCarron reported that he attended:

- Strait Chamber AGM
- REN Launch
- Monastery NSSAF Softball championship
- Community Liaison TIR meeting

Councillor MacDonald reported that he attended:

- OHS meeting
- Affordable Housing Board Meeting
- DEANS event at St. FX

Councillor MacLellan reported that she attended:

- DEANS event at St. FX
- Fit4Lit Event in support of ACALA
- Chamber of Commerce breakfast with the Premier

Councillor Deveau reported that he attended:

- Chamber of Commerce breakfast with the Premier
- Pomquet Community Centre AGM
- A provincial funding announcement to take place in Pomquet this Friday, June 24th

Councillor MacFarlane reported that he attended:

- REN launch

Councillor Chisholm reported that he attended:

- RK MacDonald staff appreciation barbeque
- DEANS event at St. FX

Council Bowie took the roundtable opportunity to announce that he would not be running in the fall election, and thanked his colleagues and community for all of his enjoyable terms of service as Councillor for District 7.

Warden Boucher reported that he attended:

- FCM in Winnipeg
- Chamber of Commerce breakfast with the Premier

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

Summer Regular Meeting Break

Mr. Horne noted that the regular suspension of Committee of the Whole and Council meetings would occur over the months of July and August, unless urgent business necessitates the scheduling of a special meeting.

Acknowledgement of Deputy Warden McCarron's Professional Retirement

Warden Boucher took the opportunity to acknowledge Deputy Warden McCarron's retirement from his position with the Department of Natural Resources.

MOTION TO ADJOURN

Min #2016-097 (Motion to Adjourn)

MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that the Council meeting adjourns at 8:01pm. Motion carried.

Warden Russell Boucher

Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer



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July 14, 2016

Mr. Glenn Horne
Municipal Clerk
Municipality of the County of Antigonish
285 Beech Hill Road
Antigonish, Nova Scotia B2G 0B4

Reference: **Property of Dianne Leblanc, 5417 Highway 7, West River, NS,
PID 01211952, AAN 00295825.**

Dear Mr. Horne,

In response to a complaint received regarding the above referenced property, as Administrator of Dangerous and Unightly Premises I visited the above referenced property on July 11, 2016. A single family dwelling unit, shed and derelict vehicle are located on the property which falls under the following "dangerous and unsightly" conditions defined in the *Municipal Government Act*.

- 1) The shed is in such a state of non-repair as to be no longer suitable for human habitation or business purposes.
- 2) The shed is unsightly in relation to neighbouring properties due to the exterior finish of the buildings not being maintained.
- 3) A derelict vehicle, vessel, item of equipment or machinery that is left on a property, with or without lawful authority, and appears to the administrator or building officer to be disused or abandoned by reason of its age, appearance, mechanical condition, or, where required by law to be licensed or registered, by its lack of a license plate or current registration

In my opinion the building gives the appearance of being abandoned while meeting the *Municipal Government Act* definition of "dangerous and unsightly". Eastern District Planning Commission's Qualified Building Official's assessment is that the shed should be demolished. It is therefore our recommendation that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued and that the Order be a Demolition / Removal Order issued from Council to the owners instructing that the shed be demolished and that the derelict vehicle be removed from the property within thirty (30) days or the Municipality will complete the same and recover the costs through property taxes.

If you have any questions regarding the above please do not hesitate to give me a call.

Sincerely

Sean Donovan
Administrator





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June 18, 2016

Municipality of the County of Antigonish
285 Beech Hill Rd., RR 6
Antigonish, NS

To the Municipality of the County of Antigonish,

I was delighted to hear of your decision to award our Antigonish Chapter a grant of \$800.

On behalf of our Board of Directors, I want to thank you for helping with support for Brain Injury Survivors and their families in the Antigonish area.

The Brain Injury Association of Nova Scotia (BIANS) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing a framework for self-help within Nova Scotia's Brain Injury Community. We also advocate tirelessly for improving brain injury care and support in NS. In September 2013, we held a general interest meeting at the Regional Library in Antigonish and we were overwhelmed by the turn-out. We had over 45 people in attendance – all affected by brain injury – including brain injury survivors, their families, friends and caregivers. Since that time the newly established Antigonish Chapter has been working diligently to educate, support and connect around the issue of brain injury – run entirely by volunteers.

Our most important work to date is the organization's role as co-chair (along with the Dept of Health and Wellness) of Nova Scotia's First Acquired Brain Injury Strategy. There will be Community Engagement Sessions in Antigonish on July 5, and we will be sure to inform you of the details. The Antigonish Chapter has been very much involved in this process.

There are 2200 new brain injuries every year in Nova Scotia. Brain injury can happen to anyone, anytime, anywhere – in an instant a life is changed forever. Thank you for supporting the Antigonish Chapter's work to serve the brain injury community and educate around brain injury awareness and prevention in your municipality.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Leona Burkey".

Leona Burkey
Executive Director, Brain Injury NS