

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF **ANTIGONISH**

Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes

Tuesday, May 21, 2019

7:30 pm

Councillors Present:

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

Councillor Remi Deveau
Councillor John Dunbar
Councillor Gary Mattie
Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets:

Councillor Vaughn Chisholm

Councillor Neil Corbett

Staff Present:

Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Also Present:

Drake Lowther, The Reporter
Matt Draper, 98.9XFM

Greg Morrow, 101.5 The Hawk
Sam MacDonald, The Casket

Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:32 pm.

Approval of Agenda

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda. Mr. Horne noted that the presentation would be rescheduled for a future date.

Min # 2019-068

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart
SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

Approval of April 16, 2019 Municipal Council Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions.

Min # 2019-069

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane

That the Municipal Council Minutes of April 16, 2019 be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Presentations

The award presentation to Kristina Richard will be deferred to a future meeting.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Committee Reports

May 7, 2019 Asset Management Committee Report

Min # 2019-070

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor Deveau

That Municipal Council approve the submission of the PCAP application for the Pomquet Sewer System

Motion Carried

May 7, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

Min # 2019-071

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor Mattie

That Municipal Council request that the representatives from the GWR railway come to a future meeting with members of Council.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-072

MOVED by Councillor Mattie

SECONDED by Councillor Dunbar

That Municipal Council send a letter to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the local MLAs regarding road conditions on the unpaved portions of the Afton Road and Gorman Road, which connect to the new Bayview Power Centre.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-073

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald

SECONDED by Councillor Deveau

That Municipal Council approves a write-off of approximately \$60 to Assessment Account 07153732 for 2019 property taxes, due to reassessment of property destroyed by fire.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-074

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor Dunbar

That Municipal Council approve awarding a tender to Eastern Sanitation Limited in the amount of \$59,865.90 HST collection of the bulky waste material throughout the County during the weeks of May 27 and June 4, 2019.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-075

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That Municipal Council approve a sponsorship at the Tournament Friend level for the 2019 Bonvie MacDonald Rinks to Links tournament.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-076

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan

That Municipal Council co-sponsor a team for the 2019 Chip in Fore St. Martha's golf tournament together with the Town of Antigonish.

Motion Carried

May 15, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

Min # 2019-077

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Deputy Warden Stewart

That Municipal Council amend the Tax Exemption Policy for Low-Income Tax Payers, by:

- Amending clause 2.4 to increase the maximum total income to \$27,000 for the 2019/2020 fiscal year
- Amending clause 2.6 to increase the maximum limit of any exemption to \$150.00.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-078

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald

SECONDED by Councillor Mattie

That Municipal Council set the due date of 2019/2020 municipal taxes for Friday, June 28, 2019, and that Municipal Council approve maintaining the interest rate on unpaid taxes and sewer bills at a calculation of 6% per annum.

Motion Carried

May 16, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

There were no recommended motions in this report.

May 21, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

Min # 2019-079

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor Dunbar

That Municipal Council provide AAN 09707956 with a reduction of 30% on property taxes for the 2019/2020 tax year.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-080

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That Municipal Council sponsor a hole at the 2019 Chamber of Commerce golf tournament.

Motion Carried

Reports from Individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Commissions

- Councillor MacFarlane will be attending the EDCP Board meeting on Thursday
- Councillor MacDonald will be attending the ERSWM meeting on Thursday
- Councillor Mattie attended the NSFM Spring workshop in Truro.

Motions

EDPC Appointments

Min # 2019-081

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor Deveau

That Municipal Council approves the annual appointments of Eastern District Planning Commission staff to Municipal positions, as proposed.

Motion Carried

Road Name Change Petition - Surfside Lane

Mr. Horne reviewed the road name change petition submitted by the Civic Addressing Coordinator for approval.

Min # 2019-082

MOVED by Councillor Mattie

SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan

That Municipal Council approve the road name change petition to give the name Surfside Lane to a previously unnamed private lane off of Cape Jack Wharf Road.

Motion Carried

Striking the Tax Rate

Mr. Horne provided a summary of the budget being brought forward for Council's approval. The tax rates are proposed to stay at current levels; this will be the 11th consecutive year with no increases to the Municipal tax rate. Mr. Horne read out the resolution for Council. Warden McCarron thanked staff for the work done in preparing the budget for the year.

Min # 2019-083

MOVED by Deputy Warden Stewart

SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane

That Municipal Council adopt the budget and strike the tax rate as per the resolution presented and attached.

Motion Carried

Borrowing Resolution

Mr. Horne provided a summary of the borrowing resolution that is presented for Council's consideration.

Min # 2019-084

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That Municipal Council approve the borrowing resolution as presented and attached.

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous Business

There was no miscellaneous business.

Adjournment

Min # 2019-085

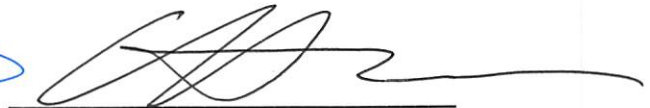
MOVED by Councillor Deveau

That the Council meeting adjourns at 7:49 pm.

Motion Carried



Warden Owen McCarron



Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer