

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

7:30 pm

Councillors Present:

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

Councillor Remi Deveau
Councillor John Dunbar
Councillor Neil Corbett
Councillor Bill MacFarlane

Regrets:

Councillor Gary Mattie

Staff Present:

Glenn Horne, Clerk-Treasurer

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Also Present:

Corey LeBlanc, The Casket
Matt Draper, 98.9XFM
Greg Morrow, 101.5 The Hawk
Paul Casey, Nova Scotia Power

Amie Woodford, Nova Scotia Power
Mary Black, Nova Scotia Power
Dave Landry, Nova Scotia Power
Darlene Bonvie, Nova Scotia Power

Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:40pm.

Approval of Agenda

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

Min # 2019-145

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald

SECONDED by Councillor Deveau

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Approval of October 15, 2019 Municipal Council Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions.

Min # 2019-146

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That the Municipal Council Minutes of October 15, 2019 be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Presentations

Recognition of Tax Office Chamber of Commerce Award

Mr. Horne spoke to an award received by the Municipality's Tax Office from the Chamber of Commerce for exceptional customer service. Warden McCarron spoke on behalf of Council congratulating staff on their award.

Recognition of Council Service Awards from the NSFM

Deputy Warden Stewart spoke to the Long Service Awards received Warden McCarron, Councillor Deveau and Councillor MacFarlane from the Nova Scotia Federation of Municipalities. A photograph was taken of the group.

Nova Scotia Power

Representative from Nova Scotia Power provided a presentation to members of Council regarding Hurricane Dorian and the NSP response, including event size and planning, response timing and procedure, and coordination with EMO. Tree cutting and maintenance efforts were discussed, and a map identifying tree cutting efforts in the county from 2016-2019 was shown. Questions followed, including clarification of regional distribution of maintenance budgets, the impact of tree clearing on reducing outages and improving safety along roadways, private land and rights of way. The possibility of having public sessions about tree trimming at some future point was suggested. The team from Nova Scotia Power was thanked for all of the work that they did to restore power after the storm, and for coming to speak to Council this evening.

Correspondence

Mr. Horne reviewed the correspondence that was included in the agenda package.

Committee Reports

October 29, 2019 Asset Management Committee Report

Min # 2019-147

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald

That the North Grant Waterline Extension Project be awarded to Ron Chisholm Hydroseeding Ltd. in the amount of \$757,658.74 + HST

Motion Carried

October 29, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

Min # 2019-148

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm

That Municipal Council adopt the Hospitality Policy as presented

Motion Carried

November 4, 2019 E-Poll Report

Min # 2019-149

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Deputy Warden Stewart

That Municipal Council award the tender for the installation of a supplementary heat pump system at the Antigonish County Court House to DeCoste Electrical & Ventilation Ltd. at the bid price of \$22,945.00 plus HST.

Motion Carried

November 13, 2019 E-Poll Report

Min # 2019-150

MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane

SECONDED by Councillor Dunbar

That Municipal Council award the tender for a waterline extension between Beech Hill Road and Church Street Extension to Dexter Construction Co. Ltd. at a bid price \$408,880 + HST.

Motion Carried

November 19, 2019 Committee of the Whole Report

Min # 2019-151

MOVED by Councillor MacDonald

SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane

That Municipal Council approve the proposed amendment to the Human Resources Administrative Manual for Employees.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-152

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That Municipal Council approve the proposed Terms of Reference for establishing an Audit Committee.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-153

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Deputy Warden Stewart

That Municipal Council make a \$1000 contribution to the Lights of Love Campaign.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-154

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm

That Municipal Council make a \$200 contribution to the Monsignor Hugh MacPherson Nights of Columbus Toy Drive

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-155

MOVED by Councillor Dunbar

SECONDED by Councillor Corbett

That Municipal Council approve a streetlight on Highway 4 at the curve in front of Tracadie Volunteer Fire Department.

Motion Carried

Min # 2019-156

MOVED by Councillor MacLellan

SECONDED by Deputy Warden Stewart

That Municipal Council provide a sponsorship in the amount of \$1450 towards the cost of a booth at the Atlantic Outdoor Sports and RV show for a group of Antigonish County representatives.

Motion Carried

Reports from Individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Commissions

Deputy Warden Stewart provided a summary of the CACL Business Ability Banquet that he attended earlier in the month. Councillor MacFarlane also attended the CACL dinner, as well as Remembrance Day events at Williams Point, and Eddie Phee's funeral. Councillor Deveau reported on his attendance at the NSFM conference, as well as Remembrance Day events in Pomquet. Councillor Corbett attended the NSFM conference. Councillor MacDonald attended the NS Waste Resources conference in early November. Councillor Chisholm reported that he attended the Hospital Help Day as well.

Warden McCarron Reported that he attended:

- HB Remembrance Day
- Antigonish Remembrance Day
- Hospital Help Day
- NSFM Conference in Halifax

Motions

Winter Parking Regulations

Owen McCarron read out the proposed motion regarding the winter parking ban regulation for the 2019/2020 winter season.

Min # 2019-157

MOVED by Councillor Deveau

SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane

That Municipal Council approve the signing of the Order for Winter Parking Regulations for 2019/20, setting out the period from December 1, 2019 to April 15, 2020 as the time in which Winter Parking Regulations will be in effect on roads/streets under the jurisdiction of the County of Antigonish.

Motion Carried

Miscellaneous Business

There was no miscellaneous business.

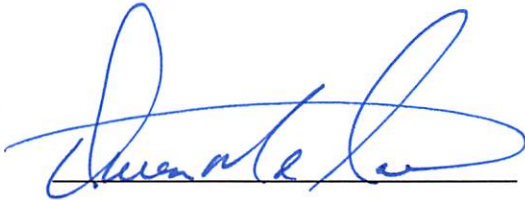
Adjournment

Min # 2019-158

MOVED by Councillor Dunbar

That the Council meeting adjourns at 8:33 pm.

Motion Carried



Warden Owen McCarron



Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer