

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF
ANTIGONISH

Asset Management Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, June 27, 2023, 5:30 pm
Council Chambers
Municipal Administration Building
285 Beech Hill Road
Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4

Present were: 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
Councillor Harris McNamara
Councillor Shawn Brophy

Regrets: None

Staff Present: Glenn Horne, CAO
Alisha Bowie, Administrative Assistant
Tammy Feltmate, Director of
Sustainable Communities

Also Present: Kassia Regnier, Food Cycle Science Corporation (by Zoom)
Basil Pitts, Area Manager, NS Department of Public Works
Paul Colton, NS Department of Public Works
James Kelly, NS Department of Public Works
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Call to Order – Chairman, Councillor Bill MacFarlane

The meeting of the Asset Management Committee was called to order by Councillor Bill MacFarlane at 5:32pm.

Approval of Agenda

Councillor MacFarlane called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

Moved and Seconded

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Approval of May 23, 2023 Asset Management Minutes

Councillor MacFarlane called for any errors or omissions to the minutes of the previous meeting.

Moved and Seconded

That the Asset Management minutes of May 23, 2023 be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Delegations

Kassia Regnier, Food Cycle Science Corporation

Ms. Regnier provided a presentation regarding a food waste diversion program. She noted that 92 municipalities across Canada are now using the FoodCycle, which is a tabletop food composter.

Members of the Committee asked several questions, including:

- Clarification regarding pilot programs, including how to select people to try the technology out.
 - Suggestions included “first come first served” or a pre-registration arrangement.
- Will it break down napkins?
 - Yes
- What to do with the compost created in winter?
 - Store in airtight container
- Are there any odours?
 - No odours, as charcoal filters are used
- How does the unit process?
 - By grinding up the waste, dehydrates it and then warms to a high temperature
- Is there any noise?
 - Same as a dishwasher
- What is the life span of a unit?
 - 5-year life span – new model has a 10-year life span
- What is the filter price?
 - \$12.00

NS Department of Public Works Local Office Team

Representatives from the local NS Department of Public Works team gave updates on upcoming projects, noting that over 23 million dollars of work is going to happen in the

Antigonish County. They noted that upcoming Highway 104 project, and the realignment of the intersection at Aulds Cove. A number of bridges are also being worked on. Work on the Active Transportation Trail is underway, and other paving is expected in the community over the summer season. Discussion followed about projects. Brush cutting will be done in house. Concerns brought up over the new paving in St. Andrews where the road is deteriorating.

Continuing Business

ICIP Project Updates

Active Transportation Corridor

Mr. Horne gave an update, tender awarded to Nova Construction.

Net-Zero Community Buildings

Ms. Feltmate gave an update, noting that lights are all in. Should be done by early August.

- Solar contract sign tomorrow
- Sub contractors all local
- Havre Boucher has not had work done – roof to be replaced.

St. Joseph's & Lanark Water Systems –

St. Josephs over \$125,000, Lanark under \$350,000.

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that the tender for the water storage tank associated with the St. Josephs Water System Expansion project be awarded to Greatario at a value of \$490,000 + HST.

Motion Carried.

New Business

There was no new business.

Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

The Asset Management Committee was adjourned, leaving the in-camera business for discussion following the Committee of the Whole meeting.

Moved and Seconded

That the Asset Management Committee meeting adjourns at 6:43pm.

Motion Carried

The Asset Management Committee was reconvened at 8:35pm.

In Camera Items

Moved and Seconded

That the Asset Management Committee move to an in-camera session at 8:36pm to discuss Matters related to municipal property.

Motion Carried

Moved and Seconded

That the in-camera session adjourns at 8:39pm.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

Moved

That the Asset Management Committee meeting be adjourned at 8:41pm.

Motion Carried



Councillor Bill MacFarlane



Glenn Horne, CAO