

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF
ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes

Tuesday, October 10, 2023
Immediately Following the Committee of the Whole
Council Chambers
Municipal Administration Building
285 Beech Hill Road
Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4

Councillors Present:

Warden Owen McCarron

Acting Deputy Warden Bill MacFarlane

Councillor Mary MacLellan

Councillor Donnie MacDonald

Councillor Remi Deveau (by Zoom)

Councillor John Dunbar

Councillor Gary Mattie (by Zoom)

Councillor Harris McNamara

Regrets:

Deputy Warden Hugh Stewart

Councillor Shawn Brophy

Staff Present:

Glenn Horne, CAO

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Sean Donovan, Manager of Inspection
Services, EDPC

Also Present:

Gallery

Drake Lowthers, The Reporter

Matt Draper, XFM (by Zoom)

Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

Approval of Agenda

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

Min # 2023-1116

Moved and Seconded

That the agenda be approved as presented.

Motion Carried

Approval of September 26, 2023 Municipal Council Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in the minutes included in the agenda package.

Min # 2023-117

Moved and Seconded

That the Municipal Council Minutes of September 26, 2023 be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from the Minutes

Warden McCarron welcomed Acting Deputy Warden Bill MacFarlane to the role, following the appointment made by Council at the special meeting held on September 26, 2023.

Public Hearings

Dangerous and Unightly – Property of LNB inc. Fairmont Road, Antigonish Harbour

Mr. Donovan provided an overview of the property in question, with photographs of the buildings and debris in question. Mr. Donovan noted that he has been in contact with the property owner, who has had a contractor on site earlier this week. Work is expected to be completed shortly, but Mr. Donovan suggested to continue with the 30-day demolition order should the arrangements with that contractor fall through.

Min # 2023-118

Moved and Seconded

That Municipal Council issue a 30-day demolition order to the property owner of PID 10130755, that the property owner should demolish the structures on the property, clean up the property of debris and derelict vehicles, and leave the site safe and clean.

Motion Carried

Correspondence

Warden McCarron noted that he received a response from Senator Prosper, thanking him for the letter of congratulations sent by the Municipality following his appointment.

Committee Reports

October 5, 2023 Joint Police Advisory Board Report

No recommendations were put forward.

October 10, 2023 Committee of the Whole Report

No recommendations were put forward.

Reports from individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Conferences, and Community Activities

- Councillor Dunbar shared that the Antigonish Arena Board meets on Wednesday October 11th, that the Heritage Board AGM will take place on Monday October 16th, and that a pub night was held at the Heatherton Community Centre on Friday Oct 6th.
- Deputy Warden MacFarlane noted that the EDPC Board Meeting that was scheduled for September will be rescheduled.
- Councillor MacDonald provided an update from the ERSWM meeting, noting that the new compliance vehicle is expected in December, the board has applied for a grant from the Carton Council of Canada, and that the 2024-2025 budget planning is underway.
- Councillor MacLellan noted that the library meeting will be held on October 19th in New Glasgow.
- Councillor Mattie shared that he and Mr. Horne attended the Chamber of Commerce meeting about accessibility. He also attended the Provincial Department of Public Works meeting regarding the twinning of Highway 104 from Taylor's Road to Paqtnkek, held in Heatherton on September 27th.
- Councillor Deveau shared that he was currently attending the Recreation Nova Scotia conference in Digby.
- Warden McCarron had a Physician Navigator meeting with the new coordinator.

Motions

There were no additional motions.

Additions to the Agenda

There were no additions to the agenda.

Miscellaneous Business

Deputy Warden MacFarlane welcomed former Councillor Leonard McCarron and his granddaughter Madeline McCarron, who was in attendance to observe a Council meeting as part of her studies.

Adjournment

Min # 2023-119

Moved

That the Council meeting adjourns at 7:51pm.

Motion Carried

Warden Owen McCarron

Glenn Horne, CAO

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