

**MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF**  
**ANTIGONISH**

**Committee of the Whole Meeting Minutes**

Tuesday, July 2, 2024, 6:30pm  
Council Chambers  
Municipal Administration Building  
285 Beech Hill Road  
Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4

Present were: Warden Owen McCarron  
Deputy Warden Bill MacFarlane  
Councillor Mary MacLellan  
Councillor Donnie MacDonald  
Councillor Shawn Brophy  
Councillor Remi Deveau (by Zoom)  
Councillor John Dunbar  
Councillor Gary Mattie  
Councillor Harris McNamara

Regrets: Councillor Hugh Stewart

Staff Present: Glenn Horne, CAO  
Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk  
Shirlyn Donovan, Strategic Initiatives Coordinator  
Allison Duggan, Director of Finance

Others Present: Gallery

**Call to Order – Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron**

The meeting of the Committee of the Whole was called to order by the Chair, Warden McCarron, at 6:49 pm.

**Approval of Agenda**

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda. The following additions were made: Leave of Absence for Councillor Stewart.

Moved and Seconded

*That the agenda be approved as amended.*

**Motion Carried**

**Approval of June 25, 2024 Committee of the Whole Minutes**

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in the Committee of the Whole minutes of June 25, 2024.

Moved and Seconded

*That the minutes of June 25, 2024 be approved as presented.*

**Motion Carried**

**Business Arising from the Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**Delegations**

There were no delegations.

**Continuing Business**

There was no continuing business.

**New Business**

Water Budget

Mrs. Duggan provided a detailed review of the water budget before the Committee. Internal debt repayments opportunities were highlighted. A question was asked regarding the Bethany Water Tank work underway, and whether that would have an impact on the water services. Discussion followed.

Moved and Seconded

*The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the 2024-2025 Water Budget as presented.*

**Motion Carried**

**Antigonish Heritage Museum – Request for Support for Chocolate Shop Relocation**

Mr. Horne reviewed a letter provided by the Antigonish Heritage Museum, outlining an opportunity that they have been presented with to acquire the original chocolate shop from the Hadhad family of Peace by Chocolate. Council was provided with a request for 50% of the estimate of \$6150 for the relocation of the chocolate shop to the museum property, with the other half of funds being requested of the Town.

Moved and Seconded

*The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves providing \$3075 to the Heritage Museum for the relocation and establishment of an exhibit using the Peace by Chocolate building, subject to the Town of Antigonish providing the other half of the requested funding.*

**Motion Carried**

**Additions to the Agenda**

Leave of Absence for Councillor Stewart

Mr. Horne noted that Councillor Stewart would be missing tonight's Council meeting due to medical reasons and will require a leave of absence from Council.

Moved and Seconded

*That the Committee recommends that Municipal Council provide a leave of absence to Councillor Stewart for the July 2, 2024 Council Meeting for medical reasons.*

**Motion Carried**

**Adjournment**

Moved

That the Committee of the Whole meeting be adjourned at 7:17pm.

**Motion Carried**

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Warden Owen McCarron

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Glenn Horne, CAO