

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

February 10, 2020

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, NS, with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- Murray Atkinson
- Shaun Hatfield
- George El-Jakl - absent due to work commitments

- Chris Frotten, CAO
- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the Agenda:

- In-Camera Session Re: Contract Negotiations

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded that minutes of the meeting held January 20th and the Special Meeting held January 30, 2020, be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

TIR MATTERS

Kirk Reede, Maintenance Supervisor and Pam Mehlman-Shand, Area Supervisor of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, appeared before the meeting. Each member was given an opportunity to make them aware of concerns in their district.

Mr. Reede and Mrs. Mehlman-Shand were thanked for meeting with members to discuss various transportations concerns.

SHELLEY AND DWAIN D'EON REQUEST - LAND AT SHEROSE ISLAND

The CAO reported that he has been in conversation with Mrs. d'Eon and after having considered the price of \$14,000.00, quality of land and the fact that they would not be able to encroach on the walking trail, they have decided to withdraw their request.

RFP - 2021 WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS OF DOUBLE-BITTED AXE THROWING

It was reported that on November 14, 2019, the Nova Lumberjacks Society (NLS) officially opened bidding for the 2021 World Championships of Double-Bitted Axe Throwing. This is a Bi-Annual, 3 Day Event.

The 2021 World Championships are projected to gather 150-200 competitors representing 5-10 countries and 7-10 provinces across Canada from 30+ axe throwing clubs. In addition, spectator traffic is projected to draw 2000-3000 out of town visitors.

If the Municipality is interested in hosting the event, a bid proposal must be submitted by March 31, 2020 and the Municipality must confirm their support by letter. Hosting the event will require an organizing committee, approximately 20 volunteers, sponsors, part-time staff members and ceremonial partners.

A presentation was prepared by the CAO and is attached which forms part of the minutes.

It was agreed that the CAO will gather more information on hosting the event and the matter will be placed on the next committee agenda for further discussion.

POLICIES AND BY-LAWS

Proposed Amendments to Policy 59 Re: Accessibility Advisory Committee

Nova Scotia is the third province in Canada to pass accessibility legislation, committing to a more equitable and accessible province. The Accessibility Act sets goals to make Nova Scotia an accessible province by 2030. The first step in the process for municipalities is to establish an Accessibility Advisory Committee. It is therefore proposed that amendments be made to Policy 59 "Policy on Committees of Council" to amend definitions to include "Barrier" and "Disability" and establish the Terms of Reference for the Accessibility Advisory Committee.

Proposed amendments were circulated to member for review.

It was agreed that notice be given this evening and proposed amendments be considered at the February 24, 2020, Council Meeting.

Draft Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance By-law

It is proposed that a Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance By-law be adopted to deal with people clearing snow and ice from their property on to municipal sidewalks, roads and lift station service doors. The draft by-law was circulated to members for review and comment.

It was agreed that First Reading to consider adopting the draft Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance By-law take place at the February 24, 2020, Council Meeting.

Draft Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance Policy

In advance to the meeting a draft Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance Policy was circulated to members for review and comment. The draft policy deals with sidewalks, municipal roads and parking lots.

It was agreed that notice be given this evening and the adoption of the Snow and Ice Clearing and Maintenance Policy be considered at the February 24, 2020, Council Meeting.

TENDER MODB2001 FOR SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLE

Tenders were invited for the sale of the surplus 2005 Dodge Ram ¾ ton Truck, plow and salter.

Tenders were received from the following:

Tenderers	Tendered Sums (highest first)
K. Anthony's Landscaping & Snow Removal	\$3040.00
Matthew Amero	\$1667.00
Cory Blades	\$1573.00
Larry Hopkins	\$850.00
C & R Gillis Contracting Limited	\$600.00
A Good Haul	\$326.00

Resolution COW200201

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the tender received from K. Anthony’s Landscaping & Snow Removal in the amount of \$3,040.00, for the purchase of the surplus 2005 Dodge Ram ¾ ton Truck, plow and salter, be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

FUNDING REQUEST FROM ROSEWAY HOSPITAL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION

Correspondence has been received from the Roseway Hospital Charitable Foundation advising that they are working with the Nova Scotia Health Authority to replace their current 20 year old analog x-ray machine. A new digital x-ray unit costs approximately \$656,000.00. The Roseway Hospital Charitable Foundation is seeking to fund 25% of the total cost which amounts to approximately \$164,000. They are asking for support from the Municipality in the amount of \$62,000.00.

It was agreed that the CAO will gather requested information and the matter will be placed on the agenda for the next committee meeting.

APPOINTMENT TO BAY SIDE HOME BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Hatfield declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and left the meeting room.

Councillor Hatfield has a family member in management at Bay Side Home.

It was reported that applications have been received to fill a vacancy currently existing on Bay Side Home Board of Directors. Applications have been reviewed by the Board of Directors and they are recommending that the application received from Pamela Townsend be accepted.

Resolution COW200202

Being duly moved and second that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality appoint Pamela Townsend to serve on the Board of Directors of Bay Side Home.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Hatfield returned to the meeting.

IN-CAMERA SESSION RE: CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS

An In-Camera Session was held in accordance with Section 22(2)(e) of the Municipal Government Act.

After discussing contract negotiations, members returned to open session.

REPORT ON IN-CAMERA SESSION

Authorization was given to the CAO to extend the current waste collection contract to March 31, 2023, under the new negotiated terms and conditions.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10.03 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

