

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, August 22, 2005.

The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Warden reported that all councillors representing all districts of the Municipality were present, with the exception of Councillor Halliday who was away on vacation.

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
- Deputy Warden Fred Bower
- Councillor Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Councilor Eddie Nickerson
- Councillor Larry Stewart
- Councillor Sean Strang

- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

The Warden informed members that it is necessary to make the following changes to the agenda:

- Item 5 - Deferred Motion Re: Street Light Request will be dealt with later in the meeting after amendments to the policy are discussed.
- Additions under New Business:
 - Consideration of proposed amendments to the Street Lighting Policy
- Additions under Correspondence:
 - Wood's Harbour Ball Team Request
 - DNR Camp Lease Policy
- Item 8 - Treasurer's Report will be deferred to the next meeting of Council

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by F. Bower that the minutes of the last meeting held August 8, 2005 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Community Enhancement - B.M.H.S.

The Municipal Council previously provided for \$50,000 in the Municipal budget to be applied towards enhancements of the new B.M.H.S. Funding was allocated as follows:

- fence around the playing field - \$15,000.00
- music program enhancements, mainly instruments and room equipment - \$30,000.00
- equipment for Physical Education and Multipurpose Room - \$5,000.00

A letter has now been received from Mr. Dave Buckland, S.S.T. Secretary thanking Council for their commitment of \$50,000.00, and advised that the Department of Education is going to cover the cost for the fence surrounding the soccer field, therefore the S.S.T. is requesting Council for permission to realign their contribution as follows:

- Music Program - \$30,000.00
- Multipurpose Room - \$13,000.00
- Security Cameras - \$7,000.00

Resolution C050819

Moved by S. Strang and seconded L. Stewart that the realignment of funds be approved as requested by the S.S.T.

Motion carried unanimously.

Illegal Dumping - Crown Land

The Warden informed members that the illegal dump sites previously reported to the Department of Natural Resources have been cleaned up. One site was located on the CNR right-of-way between Clement's Pond and Port Clyde and the other site was located at Clam Point Beach - Green Hills.

Wood's Harbour Ball Team Request

The Warden informed members that a request has been received from the Wood's Harbour ball team for a financial donation to assist with the cost of the team going to Stellarton for the Eastern Canadian Championships.

Resolution C050820

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by F. Bower that the Wood's Harbour ball team be advised that the Municipality has not been in the practice of making donations to sports teams to attend various provincial, interprovincial and other competitions and as a result Council is denying the request for funding.

Motion carried unanimously.

DNR Campsite Lease Policy

The Warden informed members that correspondence has been received from the Minister of Natural Resources which contained highlights of the Provincial Campsite Lease Policy - Camps Located on Acquired Crown Lands.

Resolution C050821

Moved by L. Stewart and seconded by S. Strang that this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that a copy of the letter and attachments be forwarded to councillors by way of email.

PRESENTATION TO GERRY RANDALL

Mr. Gerry Randall appeared before the meeting and the Warden presented him with a plaque in recognition and appreciation of his 20 years of dedicated service to the Nova Scotia Marathon.

REPORT OF WARDEN

Ferry Proposal

The Warden provided a brief report on the Shelburne Ferry Proposal and the meeting he attended on August 16th in Shelburne.

Community Health Centre

The Warden informed members that he and Councillor Halliday met with the Minister of Health, Angus MacIsaac, on August 18, 2005, and toured the Community Health Center. The Minister commended the Municipality for purchasing the facility.

On August 18, 2005 the Minister also announced a Nurse Practitioner to assist residents of Barrington, Shelburne and Lockeport areas.

During discussion of the incentive package with the Minister, the need to have rural seats designated at universities was discussed. The Minister will be discussing this matter with the Caucus but it is also necessary for the Municipality to pursue this matter as well.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Committee of the Whole

Cape Sable Island Sewer Project

Resolution C050822

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality have an engineer attend a meeting of the Cape Sable Island Sewer Committee in order to determine if a study can be done on Cape Sable Island.

Motion carried unanimously.

Junior "C" Tournament

Resolution C050823

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that a letter of support be provided to the Sea Star Ice Dogs for their application to host the Northern and Atlantic Junior "C" Hockey

Championships in the spring of 2006.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Waste Report

Resolution C050824

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipality provide waste information reports to the Nova Scotia Department of Environment and Labour as requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

Arena Discipline Policy

Resolution C050825

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that notice of consideration be given of proposed amendments to the Arena Discipline Policy and that the amendments be considered at the next meeting of Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

Business Occupancy Tax

Resolution C050826

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the balance of the business occupancy tax on the balance on the account of Mr. James Crowell, in the amount of approximately \$170.00, be written off as uncollectible.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Eddie Nickerson
Larry Stewart

NEGATIVE

Sean Strang

Motion carried.

South West Shore Development Authority Request

Correspondence has been received from the South West Shore Development Authority requesting the Municipality to participate in the sponsorship of the New York Islanders training camp being held in Yarmouth from September 12th - 19th. The Municipality is being asked to contribute \$5,000.00 as sponsorship assistance towards a dinner and reception being held on the CAT on September 18th.

Resolution C050827

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality deny the request for sponsorship received from the South West Shore Development Authority as it has not included such funds in its budget.

AFFIRMATIVE

Fred Bower
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Larry Stewart
Sean Strang

NEGATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

Francis Perry Request

Resolution C050828

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that Francis Perry be permitted to connect to the Municipal sewer in Barrington at his own expense providing all regulatory requirements are met.

Motion carried unanimously.

Wood's Harbour Walking Trail

Resolution C050829

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality initiate the process to determine if any provincial funds or other funding is available for the establishment of a walking trail in Wood's Harbour.

Motion carried unanimously.

Ferry Proposal

Resolution C050830

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipality pay the expenses of councillors attending the public meeting to be held on August 16th in Shelburne regarding the ferry proposal for the Town of Shelburne.

Motion carried unanimously.

OPENING IN C.S.I. CAUSEWAY

Concern was expressed that the sand is getting closer and closer to the C.S.I. Causeway. Once

the sand reaches the causeway any water flow through the causeway will be blocked.

It was felt by members that this is a matter that should be investigated by the Department of Environment.

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Resolution C050831

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that a letter be written to Mr. Bob Petrie of the Department of Environment expressing Council's concern regarding the potential environmental problem which can be caused by the sand reaching the causeway, and request the Department to carry out necessary studies to address this problem.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that a copy of this letter be forwarded to the MLA for Shelburne County. It was further agreed that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the South West Shore Development Authority and that they be requested to add this item to the agenda for the next meeting.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS TO STREET LIGHTING POLICY

Notice of consideration of amendments to the Street Lighting Policy was given at the August 8, 2005 Council meeting.

It is proposed that the Street Lighting Policy be amended by inserting the following:

“Street lights are to be paid for through the general tax rate for the following:

- public and private road intersections,
- public monuments, parks and walkways,
- areas of public interest.”

Resolution C050832

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Stewart that proposed amendments to the Street Lighting Policy be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

DEFERRED MOTION RE: STREET LIGHT REQUEST

The Warden then turned his chair over to the Deputy Warden in order that he could address the matter.

He informed members that there are currently six (6) houses on Sea View Lane, five (5) of which are year-round residences and one (1) of which is vacant.

Under the present Street Lighting Policy this lane does not qualify for street lights since it does not have six (6) or more year-round residences.

The Warden informed members that this is the second request he has received from residents of that lane.

After addressing the motion, the Warden resumed his chair.

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At this time the deferred motion of Council was brought forward. The motion is as follows:

Resolution C050833

Moved by S. Belliveau and seconded by S. Stewart that a street light be placed midway up Sea View Lane in Wood's Harbour.

Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

At this time a Closed Session of Council was held to deal with personnel matters.

YEARLY INCREMENT - THOMAS HENNIGAR

Resolution C050834

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that Thomas Hennigar, Deputy Keeper of Lock-up, receive his annual increment in the amount of \$0.52/hr., effective August 10, 2005.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Warden

Secretary for the Meeting

On website August 26, 2005.