

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, May 9, 2005.

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The Warden informed members that it is necessary to add the following items to the agenda:

- Correspondence:
 - Solid Rock Church
 - Woodside Cemetery Company
 - Energy Office Request
- Closed Session - Possible Purchase of Property

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported that all councillors representing all districts of the Municipality were present:

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

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by L. Stewart and seconded by D. Messenger that the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held April 25, 2005, and minutes of the Emergency Meeting of Council held May 5, 2005 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Beulah Burman Memorial Animal Shelter Society

The Clerk informed members that a letter has been received from Alan Merritt, Municipal Clerk, Municipality of Shelburne, regarding the Beulah Burman Memorial Animal Shelter Society. Mr. Merritt advised that the shelter is not currently in operation and understands that discussions are continuing in the hopes that some viable plan can be developed and implemented.

He advised that the Municipality of Shelburne is not in a position at this time to offer animal control support services to the Municipality.

Resolution C050502

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the contract with the Yarmouth S.P.C.A. for pound services be renewed.

Motion carried unanimously.

C.S.I. Sewer Proposal - Town Response

In advance to the meeting each member of Council was provided with a copy of a letter received from the Town of Clark's Harbour. The letter advised that a motion was passed by the Town Council not to make a proposal to the Municipality to allow the other communities to connect into the Town's sewer system. The letter further advised that the indefinite period of time involved, and the uncertainty of long term costs, made it impossible for Council to commit the future taxpayers of Clark's Harbour to such an agreement.

Resolution C050503

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded S. Strang that the response received from the Town of Clark's Harbour regarding the C.S.I. sewer proposal be referred to the May 24th Council Meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the tabled motion requesting the firm of ABL Environmental Ltd. to provide an analysis of the cost of connecting approximately 75 sewer units in the North East Point area to the Barrington sewer system be tabled until the May 24th meeting of Council.

Tenders - Laptop Computers

As requested by Council the Clerk circulated a summary of the tenders received for laptop computers. Cyber Geek Computer Solutions submitted the lowest tender in the amount of \$6,993.00.

Resolution C050504

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipal Council accept the low tender received from Cyber Geek Computer Solutions, in the amount of \$6,993.00, for the purchase of seven (7) laptop computers, mouse and carrying case.

AFFIRMATIVE

Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Eddie Nickerson
Sean Strang

NEGATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Larry Stewart

Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

Water Study

At this time Willard d'Eon and Gavin Kennedy of CBCL Ltd. appeared before the meeting. The objective of the proposed study is to develop a Water Supply Strategy that will enable the Municipality of the District of Barrington to prioritize future water infrastructure needs. Both surface water and ground water sources have been explored. Priority areas have been identified as the Barrington area, Cape Sable Island and Wood's Harbour area.

Mr. d'Eon and Mr. Kennedy were both thanked for appearing before Council and making their presentation.

CORRESPONDENCE

R.R.F.B.

The Clerk informed members that correspondence has been received from the R.R.F.B. informing Council that the fees paid to enviro depots for handling recyclable beverage containers would significantly increase over the next three years. The rate per container increases by 5.7% effective April 1, 2005, and will increase by an additional 2% per year in 2006 and 2007.

R.C.M.P. Costs

Correspondence has been received from the Department of Justice advising that R.C.M.P. costs for the Municipality of Barrington for 2005/2006 will be \$624,837.00.

Solid Rock Baptist Church

The Clerk informed members that a letter has been received from the Solid Rock Baptist Church requesting permission to hold outdoor gospel meetings at Owaissa Park. The first meeting is tentatively scheduled to be held on May 17, 2005. Meetings have also been tentatively scheduled for July 12th, August 9th and September 6th.

Resolution C050505

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that the Solid Rock Baptist Church be permitted to hold an outdoor gospel meeting at Owaissa Park on May 17, 2005. The use of Owaissa Park in July, August and September will depend on future plans of the site.

Motion carried unanimously.

Woodside Cemetery Company

It was reported that a letter has been received from the Woodside Cemetery Company requesting funding to assist with the cost of replacing the fence at the cemetery.

Resolution C050506

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that the request received from Woodside Cemetery Company be referred to the budgetary process.

Motion carried unanimously.

Energy Office Request

In advance to the meeting each member of Council was provided with a copy of a letter received from the South West Shore Energy Office. The letter advised that the Energy Office would like to engage Helimax Energy Inc., of Montreal, to create a wind resource map of the South West Shore. The Energy Office is requesting the Municipality of Barrington to provide financial assistance in the amount of \$1,000.00 towards this project. The total cost of the project \$19,400.50.

Resolution C050507

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by F. Bower that the Municipality of Barrington provide \$1,000.00 towards the cost of creating a wind resource map of the South West Shore.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau

Fred Bower

Louise Halliday

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Eddie Nickerson

Larry Stewart

NEGATIVE

Sean Strang

Motion carried.

REPORT OF WARDEN

May 6, 2005

The Warden attended the Year of the Veteran Celebration held at ERMES.

May 7, 2005

Warden Belliveau, Councillor Nickerson and Councillor Messenger raised funds for the Head for the Cure at Sobeys in Barrington Passage. In 2 1/2 hours, \$640.00 was raised.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Hiring Committee

Special Events Coordinator

Resolution C050508

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by D. Messenger that Glynis Malay be hired as Special Events Coordinator.

Motion carried unanimously.

Program Coordinator

Resolution C050509

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang that Hillary Rose be hired as Program Coordinator.

Motion carried unanimously.

Aquatic Supervisor

Resolution C050510

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by F. Bower that Felicia Thomas be hired as Aquatic Supervisor.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C050511

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang that Dana LeMoine be hired as an alternate for Special Events Coordinator, and Jenny Marden be hired as the alternate for Program Coordinator.

Motion carried unanimously.

Brennan Goreham

Councillor Halliday informed members that Brennan Goreham, a Grade XI student at B.M.H.S. has been selected to attend the prestigious Lester B. Pearson College of the Pacific for 2005/2006. Brennan was 1 of 100 students selected worldwide to attend this college.

Resolution C050512

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by D. Messenger that a letter of congratulations, signed by the Warden, be forwarded to Brennan Goreham.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Continuing Care Steering Committee

Councillor Messenger provided a brief report on the last meeting of the Continuing Care Steering Committee.

Head for the Cure

It was agreed that information be placed on the website informing the public that Councillor Eddie Nickerson and Warden Sterling Belliveau will be participating in the fundraiser Head for the Cure.

Resolution C050513

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that information be forwarded to all municipal units in Nova Scotia, with the exception of the Town of Clark's Harbour, informing them of Warden Sterling Belliveau and Councillor Eddie Nickerson's involvement in this fundraiser, and requesting their support.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was suggested that an email be forwarded to all fish processors located within the Municipality of Barrington requesting their support in this very worthwhile fundraising event.

It was agreed that the Head for the Cure fundraising campaign be brought to the attention of members attending the UNSM workshop later this week.

Committee of the Whole

Audit Services

Resolution C050514

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality tender for audit services for a period of five (5) years after completion of the current years audit.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tourist Destination Sign

Resolution C050515

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Barrington & Area Chamber of Commerce be requested to indicate whether or not they will contribute to the cost of tourist destination signs to be placed on Highway 103.

Motion carried unanimously.

Millstone at Old Woolen Mill

Resolution C050516

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the Nova Scotia Museum be requested to repair the millstone monument located in the parking area of the Woolen Mill Museum in Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously.

Sale of Doors

Resolution C050517

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality waive the policy for sale of Municipal property and sell the two old doors that have been stored in the basement of the Old Court House for some time, at a cost of \$50.00, to Brenda Maxwell.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Louise Halliday
Donna Messenger
Sean Strang

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower
Eddie Nickerson
Larry Stewart

Motion carried.

Show and Shine

Resolution C050518

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that the Barrington 7E Volunteer Fire Department be permitted to host a “burn out competition” during their Show and Shine event on condition that they have in place the proper insurance coverage and meet all regulations required by other levels of government in order to conduct this event.

Motion carried unanimously.

Doctor Yee Request

Resolution C050519

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality pay the room and board expenses of Mr. Daniel Boudreau from July 24th to August 25th, 2005 while he is at Dr. Yee’s Clinic and that Mr. Boudreau be invited to a Community Health Care Advisory Committee meeting during that time to meet with committee members.

Motion carried unanimously.

Community Health Care Advisory Committee

Physician Recruitment

Resolution C050520

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by L. Halliday that the Municipality request the District Health Authority to have a Nurse Practitioner located in the Municipality of Barrington since funding for four (4) additional Nurse Practitioners has been included in the provincial budget introduced in the Nova Scotia Legislature. The Minister of Finance indicated that four (4) additional Nurse Practitioners will be hired this year to support their creative, collaborative approach to health delivery.

Motion carried unanimously.

Waterfront Development Committee

Councillor Nickerson gave a brief report on the Waterfront Development Committee meeting held March 23, 2005.

Resolution C050521

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality contact Gene Nickerson to have his boat moved away from the ramp located at McGray Avenue. It was further agreed that he be requested to do this within a two week period, and if not, the Municipality take steps to have the boat removed at his expense.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Nickerson informed members that Rhonda Stoddard has resigned from her position on the Waterfront Development Committee. The Committee has written a thank you letter to Ms. Stoddard.

Resolution C050522

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that a thank you letter be forwarded to Rhonda Stoddard from the Municipality of Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Nickerson then gave a brief report on the Waterfront Development Committee Meeting held May 4, 2005. He informed members that members of the Committee have met with Art Lynds of the Department of Natural Resources regarding the possibility of constructing a boardwalk on the sand dunes at North East Point Beach.

Resolution C050522

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that the Waterfront Development Committee be given permission to obtain approval from the Department of Natural Resources for the construction of a boardwalk across the sand dunes at North East Point Beach.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Resolution C050523

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by S. Strang that the Waterfront Development Committee be permitted to contact the South West Shore Development Authority for financial assistance to assist with the cost of the boardwalk.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Nickerson informed members that the existing boardwalk located at McGray Avenue is in need of repairs.

TEMPORARY BORROWING RESOLUTIONS

The Clerk informed members that it is necessary to put in place temporary borrowing resolutions for the Economic Development Centre and Library in the amount of \$500,000.00, and for the refinancing of the Curling Club in the amount of \$300,000.00.

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang:

WHEREAS Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act provides that the Municipality of the District of Barrington, subject to the approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose authorized by statute;

AND WHEREAS clause 65(ao) of the Municipal Government Act authorizes the Municipality of the District of Barrington to borrow funds for the purpose of industrial parks, incubator malls and land and other facilities for the encouragement of economic development; and clause 65(w) authorizes the Municipality to borrow for the purpose of public libraries;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act, the Municipality borrow a sum or sums not exceeding Five Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$500,000) in total for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations;

THAT the sum be borrowed by the issue and sale of debentures of the Municipality to such an amount as the Council deems necessary;

THAT the issue of debentures be postponed pursuant to Section 92 of the Municipal Government Act and that the Municipality borrow from time to time a sum or sums not exceeding Five Hundred thousand Dollars (\$500,000) in total from any chartered bank or trust company doing business in Nova Scotia;

THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve (12) Months from the date of the

approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations of this resolution;

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

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WHEREAS Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act provides that the Municipality of the District of Barrington, subject to the approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose authorized by statute;

AND WHEREAS clause 66(4)(b) of the Municipal Government Act, authorizes the Municipality of the District of Barrington to borrow funds to pay and retire debentures;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the Municipal Government Act, the Municipality borrow a sum or sums not exceeding Three Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$300,000) in total for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations;

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THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve (12) months from the date of the approval of the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations of this resolution;

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

At this time a Closed Session of Council was held to deal with a personnel matter and the possible purchase of land.

The Regular Council Meeting was then called back to order.

BARRINGTON PASSAGE COMMUNITY CLUB

Resolution C050524

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by F. Bower that the proposal received from the Barrington Passage Community Club for the purchase of their three (3) properties located in the Barrington Passage area be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Resolution C050525

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that members of the Barrington Passage Community Club be invited to attend a future meeting of the Committee of the Whole to discuss possible projects which can be financially supported by the Barrington Passage Community Club.

Motion carried unanimously.

Press Release - Library

Resolution C050526

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that a press release be prepared informing the public that the Municipality of Barrington will be proceeding with the construction of a Library.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 p.m.

Warden

Clerk

Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for Councillors Sean Strang and Larry Stewart and on website May 10, 2005.

