

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, February 28, 2005.

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

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

CHANGES TO THE AGENDA

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

- Add under "Correspondence" - Well Women's Clinic
- Delete Item 10B - Dean Nickerson has called and canceled his appointment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by L. Stewart and seconded by L. Halliday that the minutes of the last meeting held February 14, 2005 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATIONS FROM FRA GRADE SIX STUDENTS RE: RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

Four (4) groups of Grade Six students appeared before Council and each made a presentation requesting support for their proposed recreational facility.

The following groups made presentations:

- Skate Board Park Group
- Multi-Media Room and Coordinator
- ATV Track Group
- _____ - Paint Ball Field Group

Each group made a presentation to Council providing diagrams, statistics, petitions, estimated costs, etc.

The groups requested that the outside recreational facilities be located on Sherose Island. Letters

have been forwarded to various businesses requesting financial assistance.

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The students of Forest Ridge Academy were thanked for appearing before Council and making their presentations.

Resolution C050234

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang that the requests for a skate board park, multi-media room and coordinator, ATV track and paint ball field be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the Recreation Coordinator, Ray Green, be invited to attend this meeting.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Oak Park Sewer

The Clerk informed members that a response has been received from Paul MacLellan, Department of Education, allowing the Municipality until April 1, 2005 to make a decision regarding the Oak Park Sewer.

Resolution C050235

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Messenger that the motion made at the previous meeting of Council, to engage Horner Associates to carry out a study to determine the cost of the proposed Oak Park Sewer project, be reconsidered.

Motion carried unanimously.

The motion was then brought forward for reconsideration.

The motion reads as follows:

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by F. Bower that Horner Associates be engaged to carry out a study to determine the cost of the proposed Oak Park Sewer project.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted that the estimated cost to carry out this study is \$3,500.00.

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality apply to the Provincial Capital Assistance Program for funding of the Oak Park Sewer Project.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Stewart that the above motion be amended to provide for arrangements being made for the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations and the MLA for Shelburne to meet with the Warden to discuss funding for the project.

Motion carried unanimously.

The amended motion now reads as follows:

Resolution C050236

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality apply to the Provincial Capital Assistance Program for funding of the Oak Park Sewer Project and that arrangements be made for the Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations and the MLA for Shelburne County to meet with the Warden to discuss funding for the project.

Motion carried unanimously.

C.S.I. Sewer

The Clerk informed members that correspondence has been received from the Town of Clark's Harbour advising that the Town will make a proposal regarding households located in the Municipality of Barrington connecting to the Clark's Harbour Sewer System.

It is anticipated that this proposal will be finalized in the spring.

Automatic Door - Community Health Centre

The Clerk informed members that approval has been received under the Community ACCESS-ability Program to have an automatic door installed at the Community Health Centre. This work will be carried out prior to the end of March.

CORRESPONDENCE

Multicultural Trails

In advance to the meeting each member was provided with a copy of a letter received from the Multicultural Association of Nova Scotia. The Association is requesting a donation to assist with their Multicultural Trails Project.

Resolution C050237

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang that the request from the Multicultural Association of Nova Scotia be referred to the budget process.

Motion carried unanimously.

Rural Caucus - Terms of Reference

The Rural Caucus Terms of Reference Committee is being reactivated. The Committee will review the mandate and objectives package at their next meeting which is scheduled to be held on March 9, 2005. Comments can be forwarded to the Committee for consideration.

CHOICES Program

The Clerk informed members that a copy of a letter has been received from the Chair of the

Roseway Hospital Charitable Foundation, addressed to the Honourable Angus MacIsaac, requesting that the CHOICES Program be located in the former Nova Scotia Youth Centre.

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CMHC - NS Affordable Housing Agreement Rental Preservation Program

The Department of Community Services has provided a request for proposals for the preservation of rental units under the Affordable Housing Program - Rental Housing Preservation. The closing date for this RFP is April 29, 2005 at 1:00 p.m.

EMO Evaluation

The Nova Scotia Emergency Measures Organization has completed an evaluation report on the Municipality of Barrington and the Town of Clark's Harbour EMO. The good rating has been maintained.

South West Shore Development Authority Business Plan - Annual Consultation

Correspondence has been received from the S.W.S.D.A. advising that they are prepared to conduct the Annual Planning Session for Shelburne County, in the Municipality of Barrington, for the Business Plan of 2006/2007.

Public Consultation for Strategic Plan

Correspondence has been received from the South West Shore Development Authority advising that they are prepared to conduct public consultations throughout the Municipality and provide feedback on the findings of the sessions. They anticipate that three or four sessions will be required at a total cost of approximately \$5,000.00. They have advised that they are willing to attempt to find funding for up to 50% of the cost of the project.

Resolution C050238

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipality of Barrington pay 50% of the cost of the public consultations pending the S.W.S.D.A. can secure the other 50% of the cost.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau

Louise Halliday

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Eddie Nickerson

Larry Stewart

Sean Strang

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower

Motion carried.

Question was raised as to whether other municipal units are being charged for this service.

Licensed Fee System

Correspondence has been received from Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations regarding the business occupancy assessment and tax and whether it is possible to replace this tax with a licence fee.

The letter advised that the Municipality is permitted to put in place a licence fee, however, this cannot be linked to the assessment and enforcing collection could face the same challenges as the business occupancy assessment and tax.

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Yarmouth Hospital Foundation - MRI Fundraiser

The Yarmouth Hospital Foundation is requesting the municipal units of Argyle, Barrington, Clare, Clark's Harbour and Yarmouth to contribute a total of \$150,000 to the MRI Campaign. The amount requested from each municipal unit is based on percentage of hospital stays by residents of each unit.

The Municipality of Barrington is being requested to provide 13.7% which is a contribution of \$20,550.00.

Resolution C050239

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the request from the Yarmouth Hospital Foundation to provide funding to the MRI Campaign be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau

Louise Halliday

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Eddie Nickerson

Larry Stewart

Sean Strang

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower

Motion carried.

Well Women's Clinic

A letter has been received from Trina L. Norman co-organizer of a Well Women's Clinic which will be held at the Community Health Centre on April 30, 2005. They are requesting a donation of \$100.00 from each district to help defray the costs, not only for this clinic but for the one planned in the fall.

Resolution C050240

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by S. Strang that the request from the Well Women's Clinic be funded through the grant requests.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden reported on the Team Shelburne meeting held on February 24, 2005. The meeting was attended by himself and the Clerk.

The Warden informed members that the long awaited press release will be released tomorrow and it is currently on the S.W.S.D.A. website.

The assessment of the Youth Centre property has revealed no environmental concerns.

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Team Shelburne County discussed the four (4) motions of Council.

The request of Council for the Team to review the process for the election of the chairperson and to forward quarterly reports to the individual councils will be dealt with through a Governance Terms of Reference to be drafted by the municipal clerks of Shelburne County.

The request of Council for Team Shelburne County meetings to be public, and that the media be invited to attend was also considered. A motion was passed that the meetings be open and public.

The next meeting of the committee will be held on March 10, 2005 to prepare for the meeting with cabinet ministers in Halifax on March 22, 2005.

Team Shelburne County also passed a motion not to pursue a long term nursing care facility at the former Youth Centre. This motion was passed unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Community Health Care Advisory Committee

Councillor Halliday reported on the last meeting of the Community Health Care Advisory Committee.

Resolution C050241

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality provide free rent for both office space in the Community Health Centre and for the apartment in the Community Health Centre, to Dr. McKnight, in exchange for a trial period of providing medical services up to a maximum of two (2) months.

Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Advisory Committee

Heritage Property Designation

Resolution C050242

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that the property owned by Phyllisa Mundell, in Barrington, known as the "Willow Grove", be registered as a municipal heritage property.

Motion carried unanimously.

Department of Transportation Information

Resolution C050243

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that Municipal Staff obtain the cost and other necessary information to have a corridor study completed by the Department of Transportation, in the Barrington Passage area, from Wireless Road to the machine shop.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Wharves at the Causeway

Resolution C050244

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that Municipal Staff contact Small Craft Harbours and/or the Department of Fisheries & Oceans regarding the wharves at North East Point, as the wharf that has broken in two may now present a safety issue.

Motion carried unanimously.

Committee of the Whole Meeting

Banners

Resolution C050245

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality purchase two (2) additional banners to promote the Show and Shine annual fundraising event of the Barrington 7E Volunteer Fire Department.

<u>AFFIRMATIVE</u>	<u>NEGATIVE</u>
Sterling Belliveau	Fred Bower
Louise Halliday	Sean Strang
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger	
Eddie Nickerson	
Larry Stewart	

Motion carried.

Arena Discipline Policy Re Smoking and Alcohol

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that individuals who are actually caught drinking alcohol or smoking in the Arena be subject to the following fines or suspensions. The fines or suspensions are determined in a subsequent motion.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the above motion be amended by adding the word “alcohol” following the word “drinking”.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by L. Halliday that the above motion also be amended by deleting the word “actually”.

Motion carried unanimously.

The amended motion now reads as follows:

Resolution C050246

“...that individuals who are caught drinking alcohol or smoking in the Arena be subject to the following fines or suspensions. The fines or suspensions are determined in a subsequent motion.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that the following fines be imposed for offences for the individuals caught drinking alcohol or smoking in the Arena:

First Offence	-	\$100.00 fine
Second Offence	-	\$200.00 fine
Third Offence	-	\$400.00 fine

After the third offence the individual involved will be suspended for one (1) year from the date of the offence.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that if an individual is not determined, or does not come forward to accept responsibility for the drinking of alcohol or smoking offence, then the Team will be fined.

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the above motion be amended to indicate that the Team will be fined as in the previous motion including the suspension for one (1) full year.

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

The Warden indicated that he did not feel that the entire team should be penalized and that we should only deal with fining the teams, not suspending them.

The Warden then resumed his chair.

Much discussion took place regarding this amendment after which the division was requested.

AFFIRMATIVE

Fred Bower

NEGATIVE

Sterling Belliveau

Louise Halliday

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Eddie Nickerson

Larry Stewart

Sean Strang

Motion defeated.

The division was then requested on the original motion.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower

Louise Halliday
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Eddie Nickerson
Larry Stewart
Sean Strang

Motion carried.

It was agreed that the draft amendments to the policy will be made and presented to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

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Cape Sable Historical Society Funding Request

Resolution C050246

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality provide \$8,000 in additional funding for the Seal Island Light Museum Project, to be provided in the next fiscal year's budget, and to be funded from Capital Reserves, and to be repaid from the General Operating Fund Budget over the next four (4) years, together with interest, at a rate comparable to the current loan rate of the Nova Scotia Municipal Finance Corporation.

Motion carried unanimously.

Archelaus Smith Museum Request

Resolution C050247

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by S. Strang that the Municipality provide \$2,000 from the District 6 Community Grants Fund to the Archelaus Smith Historical Society and that Council approve the renovations to the museum to replace the downstairs windows.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Warden

Clerk

Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for Councillors on March 1, 2005 by Sharon Brannen.

