

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

June 19, 2007

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

- Louise Halliday, Chairperson
  - George El-Jakl
  - Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
  - Eddie Nickerson
  - Wilford Smith
  - Larry Stewart
  - Sean Strang
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- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

### PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting was to complete the review of the proposed budget for the fiscal year 2007/2008.

### BUDGET REVIEW

There then followed a lengthy discussion of sewer charges for both the Barrington sewer system and the Wood's Harbour sewer system. Various scenarios for establishing the current sewage charge in each system were discussed at length.

### Resolution COW070613

**Moved** by L. Stewart and seconded by W. Smith that it be recommend to Council that the sewer charge in the Barrington sewer system be raised to \$275.00 per unit and that the sewer charge in the Wood's Harbour system be raised to \$320.00 per unit so that the revenues from the sewer systems would cover all costs of the related systems.

### AFFIRMATIVE

Louise Halliday  
Eddie Nickerson  
Wilford Smith  
Larry Stewart  
Sean Strang

### NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl  
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Motion carried.

There then followed much discussion of other aspects of the budget including the level of community grants, the restoration of the Old Telephone Office, and the provision of fire hydrants and other fire department equipment.

Resolution COW070614

**Moved** by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that it be recommended to Council that the Community Grants be increased to a level of \$4,000.00 per district, totaling \$28,000.00, and that \$5,000.00 be included in the current year's fiscal budget to install a dry hydrant in the Port LaTour fire district, and that sufficient funds be included in the budget for the restoration of the Old Telephone Office should Council deem this necessary.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW070615

**Moved** by W. Smith and seconded by L. Stewart that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality implement a credit card processing fee of 2 ½%, effective August 1<sup>st</sup>, subject to the approval of the Municipal Solicitor and the credit card agreements.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW070616

**Moved** by S. Strang and seconded by W. Smith that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality use \$25,000.00 of gas tax funds currently in reserves for the purpose of completing an Industrial Site Study in order to increase the economic capacity of the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW070617

**Moved** by S. Strang and seconded by W. Smith that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality withdraw \$25,000.00 from Reserve Funds, which have been accumulated for the purpose of Arena enhancements, for the purpose of purchasing and installing new flooring in the Arena dressing rooms.

Motion carried unanimously.

DHA MEETING

The Warden informed members that Roseann D'Eon, the District Health Authority's representative for community health issues has agreed to meet with the Committee of the Whole and the tenants of the Community Health Centre on Wednesday, June 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington.

MUNICIPALITY OF SHELBURNE CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence sent to Team Shelburne, by the Municipality of Shelburne, regarding the distribution of funds by Team Shelburne was read to members for their information.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 9:19 p.m.

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Chairperson

Secretary for the Meeting

**On website June 20, 2007.**