

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

July 5, 2010

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

- George El-Jakl, Chair
 - Murray Atkinson
 - Louise Halliday
 - Shaun Hatfield
 - Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
 - Cecil O'Donnell
 - Cathy Stoddard
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- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- Reading Resolutions.
- Land Use Re: Burial Grounds.
- Safe Work Practices.
- RFP Re: Organizational Study.
- AMA Convention.
- Community Grant Request.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by C. Stoddard and seconded by C. O'Donnell that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by C. O'Donnell and seconded by M. Atkinson that the minutes of the meeting held June 21, 2010 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION LANDFILL POLICY AMENDMENTS

As a result of a previous motion of Council, it is necessary to update the Construction & Demolition Landfill Policy. These amendments are as a result of proposed changes in the fees which will become effective January 1, 2011. At the same time sundry amendments will be made to update the policy. The proposed amendments include:

- In Section 3 add:
 - (l) tires to be stockpiled for recycling
 - (m) items for household hazardous waste depot (including antifreeze, oil, gas, insecticides, herbicides, pesticides, etc.)
 - (n) items for electronics depot

- Amendments to Section 5 will include:
 - (a) Residents depositing waste from the Town of Clark's Harbour and the Municipality of Barrington will be charged as follows:

Fee Schedule

Sorted Material	No Charge
Non-Sorted Material	\$60.00/tonne, plus HST effective January 1, 2011

If waste is being transported to site by non-residents a resident must be on-site when the waste is being deposited.

- In Section 7, under recycling, the second sentence will be amended to read:
"Waste deposited at the Landfill Site shall be separated by the Landfill Attendant, until such time as the public sorting station has been constructed."

Under the list that follows:

- "lobster pots that can be reused" should be omitted

The sentence following the list should read:

"Materials that are acceptable for salvaging will be put into designated areas of the Landfill by the Operator."

Notice will be given at the next Council meeting of these proposed changes.

RECLASSIFICATION AND DITCHING AT MCGRAY AVENUE

It is suggested that the classification by the Department of Transportation of McGray Avenue should be reviewed due to the volume of traffic on the road. The traffic volume is especially high on the lower portion of the road because of commercial and recreational use. Commercial fishermen use the wharfs on this section of the road and therefore the traffic has increased. There is much recreational traffic on the lower portion of the road as well, especially during the summer as residents wish to access North East Point beach.

Resolution COW100701

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that it be recommended to Council that a letter be sent to the Department of Transportation requesting that McGray Avenue be reclassified due to the high traffic volume, especially on the lower portion of the road, so that more maintenance will be done on the road and that it may possibly be paved by the Department of Transportation.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW100702

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that the Department of Transportation be requested to evaluate ditching the upper portion of McGray Avenue between Civic #123 and the Flemming's residence, as at present there is no ditching along this portion of the road and this causes water during rainy periods to erode the road and leave potholes.

Motion carried unanimously.

C.S.I. SEWER

Members were informed that the Council for the Town of Clark's Harbour will be meeting tomorrow night to discuss the C.S.I. Sewer.

It was also suggested at this time that a Closed Session regarding land acquisition for the C.S.I. Sewage Treatment Plant be placed on the agenda for the next Council meeting on July 12, 2010.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

A draft proposal was circulated to members prior to the meeting. This draft proposal is for funding of an Economic Development Coordinator for Shelburne County for a period of one (1) year. The Nova Scotia Department of Economic & Rural Development has indicated through their local representative that they will fund 50% of the cost of this position for a period of one (1) year in order for Shelburne County to have the required services for this period.

There then followed much discussion regarding the effectiveness of having an Economic Development Coordinator for a period of only one year and for the purpose of this project.

Resolution COW100703

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by C. O'Donnell that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality support the project proposal for an Economic Development Coordinator for Shelburne County for a period of one (1) year pending the support of all five (5) municipal units and the support of the Province of Nova Scotia.

AFFIRMATIVE

Murray Atkinson
Shaun Hatfield
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Cecil O'Donnell
Cathy Stoddard

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl
Louise Halliday

Motion carried.

RRFB DIVERSION FUNDING

Members were informed that the Resource Recovery Fund Board has topped up the funding for all waste diversion districts in the Province by \$100,000.00. Region 6, which is the district in which Barrington is a member, has opted to distribute this \$100,000.00 to all member units based on their diversion. This results in an additional \$3,150.00 being distributed to the Municipality of Barrington and the Town of Clark's Harbour.

ROBERT JAMIESON REQUEST

Correspondence has been received from Mr. Jamieson requesting that By-Law No. 9, "Peace, Order, Mischief and Nuisances" be revised. Mr. Jamieson explains in his letter his wish and purpose to have the by-law revised.

There then followed much discussion by members regarding this by-law and issues brought up by Mr. Jamieson.

Members were also informed that the By-Law Enforcement Officer has visited the adjacent property owner and discussed the matter with him. The model noise by-law that has been provided by Service Nova Scotia will be circulated to members for their information so that they may determine whether or not they wish to make amendments to the current by-law.

Further information regarding the issue at hand will be obtained prior to the members again discussing this matter at their next Committee of the Whole meeting.

WOOD'S HARBOUR MULTI-PURPOSE TRAIL

Members were informed that on the July 1st holiday a truck was seen on the multi-purpose trail in Wood's Harbour. Three individuals were using the trail to move furniture to a house located near the trail. The Property Services Supervisor addressed the matter with these individuals and informed them that this would not be permitted. These individuals had removed a post on the trail in order to gain access. Property Services employees will fasten the post on the trail by the use of lag bolts in order to make them more secure and less able to be removed.

COASTAL STRATEGY FOR NOVA SCOTIA

Members were informed that a notice has been received from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities informing all municipal units that the period to send municipal feedback on the state of Nova Scotia's coast has been extended to July 18th. Together with the agenda a copy of the feedback document was provided. Members were advised to complete the feedback document and provide it to the Municipal Office so that the feedback could be correlated and sent on to the UNSM.

SCHEDULE OF FEES

The Schedule of Fees for the previous two weeks was circulated to members for their information and review.

READING OF RESOLUTIONS

The reading of resolutions brought forward from committees to Council was discussed by members.

There was some concern expressed regarding members bringing resolutions forward and then voting contrary to the resolutions.

It was suggested that resolutions would be brought forward in future without indicating who is the mover and seconder.

Resolution COW100704

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by C. Stoddard that Municipal Staff review Policy #52 to determine whether amendments are required to effect changes suggested by members that no mover or seconder be required for resolutions coming forward to Council from the Committee of the Whole.

Motion carried unanimously.

LAND USE BY-LAW RE: BURIAL GROUNDS

Some concern was expressed regarding a graveyard site located off Kenney Road in South Side. The Municipality does not regulate burial grounds. The Province does have a Cemeteries Protection Act which governs the use of burial grounds. The use and safeguard of burial grounds is very much the prerogative of a private property owner who owns the grounds on which these sites are located.

SAFE WORK PRACTICES

It was brought to the Committee's attention that one of the individuals hired who works in the Property Services Department during the summer does not appear to be wearing the proper personal protection when working for the Municipality. This matter will be brought up with the Property Services Manager and addressed with the individual.

RFP RE: ORGANIZATIONAL STUDY

Members were informed that the Clerk, the Warden and the Deputy Clerk will all review the proposals that have been received in order to make a recommendation to Council. The proposals should be reviewed by several individuals in order to ensure that bias is eliminated in this choice.

AMA CONVENTION

Correspondence has been received from the Association of Municipal Administrators requesting a contribution towards their fall convention.

Members did not deem it necessary to make any contribution at this time.

COMMUNITY GRANT REQUEST

A Community Grant Request has been received from the White Lily Cemetery in South Side. The cemetery association is requesting a grant of \$1,500.00 to assist with the installation of fencing around one side of the cemetery.

Resolution COW100705

Moved by C. Stoddard and seconded by C. O'Donnell that it be recommended to Council that a grant of \$1,000.00 be provided from the District 7 Community Grants Fund for the purpose of assisting with the installation of a fence at White Lily Cemetery in South Side.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:48 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website July 7, 2010.