

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

August 11, 2010

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

- George El-Jakl
- Louise Halliday
- Cecil O'Donnell
- Cathy Stoddard

Absent were members Donna LeBlanc-Messenger and Murray Atkinson. Also absent was Shaun Hatfield due to work commitments.

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
- Shirley Watson-Poole, Physician Recruitment Officer, District Health Authority
- Jodi Ybarra, Nurse Practitioner Supervisor, District Health Authority

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the recruitment of physicians and other medical professionals to the area.

Members discussed the availability and continuing work of the doctors who are currently located in the area, including Dr. Blair, Dr. Abud, Dr. Yee and Dr. Premachandra. Members were informed that an ad campaign has recently been initiated by the District Health Authority which is being conducted over the internet and also through a magazine.

Members were also informed that there are three residents at Dalhousie University who will be graduating in July of 2011. It is necessary for these residents to put in time in designated areas of Nova Scotia. Barrington has been put forward as one of these areas, although there is no guarantee one of these residents will be situated in the Municipality. As long as the Municipality has been put forward there is always a chance.

Further funding resources are being explored for Nurse Practitioners to be funded for working in areas covered by the District Health Authority.

Having completed their discussion of this matter, the meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website August 12, 2010.