

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL

January 4, 2010

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

- Warden Louise Halliday
 - Deputy Warden Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
 - Councillor Murray Atkinson
 - Councillor George El-Jakl
 - Councillor Shaun Hatfield
 - Councillor Cecil O'Donnell
 - Councillor Cathy Stoddard
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- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
 - Willard d'Eon, Project Manager, C.S.I. Sewer Project

ADDITION TO AGENDA

It was agreed by consensus of members that the following item be added to the agenda.

- Shelburne County Transportation Society.

CAPE SABLE ISLAND SEWER PROJECT

Mr. Willard d'Eon, an engineer employed by CBCL Limited, who are the project engineers for the C.S.I. Sewer Project, appeared before the meeting for the purpose of reviewing the Barrington Passage sewer system and the potential for connecting the proposed Cape Sable Island sewer system into the Barrington Passage Treatment Plant.

Mr. d'Eon reviewed the current Barrington system explaining to councillors the current design flows and design capacities of the system. He also indicated the actual flows for 2009. The system is designed for average daily flows of 225,000 imperial gallons per day. The actual flows being experienced during 2009 are 104,000 imperial gallons per day. As a result there is considerable capacity remaining to add a portion of the C.S.I. Sewer to this treatment plant.

Mr. d'Eon further reviewed the performance of the Barrington Treatment Plant and indicated that more emphasis needs to be placed on the operation of the plant and the BOD results now experienced.

Mr. d'Eon also reviewed various aspects of the collection system and also indicated that the service boundary for the Barrington system would have to be increased in order to accommodate a portion of the C.S.I. sewer system. Mr. d'Eon then reviewed the various options for servicing Cape Sable Island from the Barrington Treatment Plant.

Having completed his review the committee members then discussed various aspects of the project with Mr. d'Eon. A question was raised concerning when will other roads in the Barrington area have the sewer services provided to them if the C.S.I. sewer system is connected to the Barrington Treatment Plant.

It was concluded that there would be 187 additional units added to the Barrington system from Cape Sable Island at an average cost of \$858.10. The general tax rate would be required to absorb \$104,373.00 per year, which would effectively be 2.78 cents per \$100.00 of assessment across the entire municipality.

It was also indicated by a member that there may be another alternative location available for a treatment plant, that this alternative could be at a property in Clam Point which may be able to provide an easement to the ocean for an outflow.

Resolution C100101

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that further consideration of adding the C.S.I. sewer project to the Barrington sewer system be deferred in order to provide time to consider and investigate a new alternative site for a sewage treatment plant in the Clam Point area of Cape Sable Island.

Motion carried unanimously.

Having completed his discussion with members, Mr. d'Eon then retired from the meeting at approximately 9:00 p.m.

CAT FERRY SERVICE

Correspondence has been received from the Region of Queens and from the Town of Yarmouth regarding the discontinuance of the provincial subsidy to the CAT ferry service in Yarmouth.

Members discussed the discontinuance of this service and its impact on our municipality.

Resolution C100102

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by G. El-Jakl that a letter of support for a ferry service in Southwestern Nova Scotia be sent to the Province, with copies of the letter being sent to our MLA, our MP and to the Town of Yarmouth.

Motion carried unanimously.

SHELBURNE COUNTY TRANSPORTATION SOCIETY

Members were informed that this Society is requesting a letter of support for a project which is to provide accessible transportation in the County. This project is being proposed by The Shelburne County Transportation Society.

Resolution C100103

Moved by C. Stoddard and seconded by D. Messenger that a letter of support be sent as requested by The Shelburne County Transportation Society once further information is obtained and circulated to councillors.

Motion carried unanimously.

CLOSED SESSION

Physician Recruitment

A Closed Session was then held for the purpose of discussing an agreement for physician recruitment with a doctor who may be coming to the area in the immediate future.

Having completed their discussion of this matter, members then returned to Open Session.

Resolution C100104

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by S. Hatfield that Municipal Staff contact Dr. Premachandra and ask him to visit the Municipality, together with his wife and children, for the purpose of becoming familiar with the area and meeting with Council to negotiate further arrangements for relocation to the area.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed the business of the meeting, the meeting was adjourned at 9:58 p.m.

Chair

Secretary of the Meeting

On website January 6, 2010.