

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

October 19, 2015

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

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl (8:20 p.m.)
- Shaun Hatfield
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

- Barrington Township Museum Request.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by J. Crook that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that the minutes of the meeting held October 13, 2015 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

SHELBURNE COUNTY MUDMUNCHERS

Andrew Chetwynd and Howard Lamrock appeared before the meeting on behalf of the Shelburne County Mudmunchers for the purpose of discussing the former municipal property sold to Clyde River Motocross. It was indicated by use of a map that the Mudmunchers group wish to use a portion of the property in question for parking.

After much discussion it was the consensus of members that a proposal be made to Clyde River Motocross indicating that the Municipality would be willing to release the condition currently contained in the deed in exchange for a portion of the property.

Having completed their discussion of this matter, Mr. Chetwynd and Mr. Lamrock retired from the meeting.

FIRE SERVICES COORDINATOR REPORT

The Fire Services Coordinator provided a written quarterly report to members. He then reviewed this report. A written quarterly call summary was also circulated to members for their information.

Members then discussed the provision of Medical First Responder services by the Port Clyde Volunteer Fire Department. There was some question as to what level of response the Fire Department has been registered to provide with emergency health services. The Fire Services Coordinator will further investigate this matter to determine the level of registration.

Having completed his discussion of this matter, the Fire Services Coordinator retired from the meeting at 8:10 p.m.

TOURISM AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER MONTHLY REPORT

Suzy Atwood, the Tourism and Community Development Officer, provided a verbal report to the committee. In her report she indicated that the Causeway projects were taking up much of her time.

A newsletter will be printed this week and circulated shortly thereafter.

The Shelburne County Business Awards are being held Tuesday night in Shelburne.

The South Shore Tourism Marketing Initiative for the current year has been finished. There are some funds remaining which will be used for marketing in the next year. The Tourism Industry Association of Nova Scotia is developing its 2016 marketing plan.

The welcome banners for the Municipality are being printed. These will be used next spring and summer.

The website has been completed and is being updated on a continuing basis.

The Tourism Coordinator then indicated she had discussed the removal of poles at the Seaside Tourist Rest Stop location with Greg Smith. Mr. Smith indicated he wanted reimbursement for the wire which he had already purchased at his own cost. It was suggested that the tender for the lights and the electrical supply for the two residences at this location be combined with the electrical requirements for the removal of one pole.

Councillor George El-Jakl arrived at the meeting at approximately 8:20 p.m. and assumed the Chair.

After some discussion it was agreed that there be two tenders issued at the same time for the electrical work. It was also determined that the location of the electrical entrance and the number of lights along the boardwalk at this location would also need to be determined prior to tendering.

The Coordinator has already been in discussion with the property owners adjacent to the Seaside Tourist Rest Stop. All of them except one who has yet to be contacted are in agreement for a change in the use of the right-of-way. The legal right-of-way will remain unchanged although the actual use of the right-of-way will be altered somewhat. It is proposed that a letter agreement be prepared indicating the appropriate changes.

Resolution COW151007

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality remove one power pole and replace it with underground wiring, at a cost of up to \$3,000.00 for the cost of work to be completed by Nova Scotia Power, at the Seaside Tourist Rest Stop and that these funds be obtained from the Operating Reserve Fund.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW151008

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality tender for the residential electrical work to provide for underground connection of the residences on two adjacent properties at the Seaside Tourist Rest Stop.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl
Shaun Hatfield

Motion carried.

Resolution COW151009

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that an additional \$1,350.00, plus HST, be provided for trenching and earth work for the Seaside Tourist Rest Stop project.

Motion carried unanimously.

Cameron Whiteway then joined the meeting for the discussion of the floating dock for the North East Point, McGray Avenue project.

Pictures were provided as well as a diagram of the proposed development.

It was indicated that the dock will be placed parallel to the end of the boardwalk instead of perpendicular to it.

Martin Crowell will be consulted regarding the required connection of the floating dock to the boardwalk on the shoreline. It is preferred that the boardwalk be placed down the middle of the breakwater rather than on the outside edges.

Members were informed that the dock that the Municipality has purchased will need further maintenance in order to be used for this project. EXP has been contacted in order to provide a conceptual drawing of this project.

Resolution COW151010

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council that the Tourism and Community Development Officer get a conceptual design drawing completed by EXP for the boardwalk and floating dock for the McGray Avenue project.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook
Shaun Hatfield
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl
Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

Having completed their discussion of the matter, both the Tourism and Community Development Officer and the Property Services Manager retired from the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

GOOSE LAKE ROAD RIGHT-OF-WAY

Conflict of Interest

Deputy Warden Messenger declared conflict of interest and retired from the meeting as she is a property owner in the Goose Lake area.

Members were informed that a response has been received from the Municipal Solicitor and also from the Solicitor he has been in contact with regarding the provision of the right-of-way.

Members then discussed the possible alternatives regarding the use of the municipal portion of the Goose Lake Road.

Resolution COW151011

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by E. Nickerson that it be recommended to Council that a survey of the municipal portion of the Goose Lake Road be included in next years' municipal budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Warden Messenger returned to the meeting.

FORMER C.S.I. ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

Members were informed that an estimate for surveying of the property for purposes of subdivision has been obtained from Acker & Doucette Surveying Inc. The estimated cost is \$5,300.00, plus HST. This cost includes a Subdivision Proposal Report for Nova Scotia Environment which is required in order to have the property subdivided. The maps of the property were then reviewed. It will be necessary to include the property on which the on-site septic is located with the school in order to subdivide the property.

Resolution COW151012

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by E. Nickerson that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality proceed with the subdivision of the former C.S.I. Elementary School property at a cost of \$5,300.00, plus HST, and that the funding for paying this cost be obtained from the Reserve Fund Operating.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW151013

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council that once the subdivision of the C.S.I. Elementary School property has been completed, the Municipality proceed with a Request for Proposal to sell the property.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook
Shaun Hatfield
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl
Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

COST SHARED PAVING

Correspondence has been received from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal asking if the Municipality wishes to have any roads paved under the 50/50 cost sharing program. The due date for having this done is usually October 31st but has been extended this year until November 30th.

At the present time it was not indicated that any roads are being proposed for paving.

Members will investigate whether any roads will be brought forward prior to November 30th.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO INTERVENE IN COURT OF APPEAL PROCEEDINGS

Correspondence has been received from the solicitors of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. In this correspondence it is indicated that any Municipality may act as an intervenor in Richmond Countys' appeal before the Attorney General of Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board.

It was the consensus of committee members that no action would be required in this matter.

ARENA NAMING CEREMONY

It has been proposed that a ceremony be held prior to the opening of the Fall Classic Minor Hockey Tournament at the Barrington Municipal Arena on Friday, November 13, 2015. The time is as yet uncertain. A plaque has been obtained and will be unveiled at that time. The ceremony is still being arranged by Municipal Employees in consultation with Shelburne County Minor Hockey.

BARRINGTON TOWNSHIP MUSEUM REQUEST

A request has been received from the Solicitor for the Barrington Township Museum. This Association is proposing to purchase a property in the community of Barrington that the Municipality purchased at Tax Sale in August of 2015. The Association is proposing to enter into an agreement with the Municipality regarding the purchase of this property.

Resolution COW151014

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council that the Barrington Township Museum Association be informed that the Municipality will not take any action in regards to this property until the redemption period has expired.

Motion carried unanimously.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

It was suggested that a memo be drafted for circulation to Municipal Employees regarding the current status of the Chief Administrator Officer process.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 10:33 p.m.