

**SPECIAL MEETING
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL**

March 30, 2015

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, at 7:10 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl (8:03 p.m.)
- Shaun Hatfield
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal.
- VON Information.
- Low Income Property Tax Exemption.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

There was no motion made to approve the agenda.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF MARCH 16, 2015

There was no motion made to approve the minutes.

BARRINGTON/CLARK'S HARBOUR SATELLITE DIALYSIS COMMITTEE

This matter had been referred to committee again as a result of previous discussions with the members of the public committee that is currently in place.

It was the motion of Council that an advertisement be placed for members on this committee and that the committee include two municipal councillors, one town councillor and five public members. The purpose of this committee is to lobby the provincial government for the establishment of a Satellite Dialysis Clinic in the Municipality of Barrington.

It was the consensus of members that the Municipality now go ahead and advertise for the public members of this committee.

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL

It was indicated that the sign for Enos Smith Lane on the left side of the highway going south towards the Town of Clark's Harbour is leaning badly and needs to be repaired.

The Department of Transportation will be informed of this matter by Municipal Staff.

There was also some question regarding the request of signs to be placed along the highway near the Silver Roe Seafoods property.

VON REQUEST

Correspondence was circulated to members from the Nova Scotia Government Employees Union regarding the replacement of home support workers who are now employed by the government, by employees of for profit companies who would take over home support services. This is a proposition that is opposed by the Nova Scotia Government Employees Union.

It was the consensus of members that more information is needed in this matter in order to determine what is actually being proposed and how it may affect the provision of support services.

Members also indicated they would like to know how many support workers there currently are in Shelburne County, and what is the wait list for access to these workers in Shelburne County. We will attempt to obtain this information as soon as possible.

LOW INCOME TAX REDUCTION

There was some discussion regarding the signing of a form for the purpose of obtaining the Low Income Tax Deduction.

After some discussion members were in agreement as to how a member should proceed in this matter.

ARENA MANAGER JOB DESCRIPTION

Members then discussed the proposed job description for the Arena Manager. It was suggested that the Arena Manager should be paid at an hourly rate of pay instead of a salary. It was suggested the hourly rate of pay be between \$18 and \$22 per hour. It was also agreed by consensus that an applicant having a Class II Refrigeration Certificate would be an asset.

There then followed some discussion of the number of hours worked by the Manager. It was suggested that the Manager should work 35-40 hours per week.

Resolution COW150328

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that the motion made at Council on March 23, 2015 be amended to indicate that the Arena Manager would normally work 40 hours per week and that the wage range would be \$18 - \$22 per hour.

Motion carried unanimously.

AMENDMENTS TO BY-LAW NO. 20

By-Law No. 20 is the Municipality's Building By-law. This by-law contains fees for various permits required under the Building Code.

It is proposed that these fees be removed from the by-law so that they may be changed by resolution of Council. This will simplify the process for changing any fees in future. At the present time there is no intention of changing fees. First reading has taken place in the proposed amendments to this by-law, and the Municipality will now advertise the proposed amendments and bring them back to Council for second reading at the next subsequent Council meeting.

TOURISM AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER JOB DESCRIPTION

It was suggested that the Tourism and Community Development Officer be paid at an hourly rate.

There then followed some discussion of the hours of work of the Tourism and Community Development Officer. The discussion involved whether or not the Tourism and Community Development Officer should ordinarily work 35 or 40 hours per week.

Members then discussed the advertising of this position. It was suggested that the position be advertised internally within municipal offices and externally to the public at the same time.

After much discussion it was the consensus of members that the Municipality should follow the Municipal Hiring Policy when advertising the position.

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It was agreed that in order to expedite the hiring of a Tourism and Community Development Officer that a Special Meeting of Council be held on April 13, 2015. It was agreed by consensus of members to schedule this meeting.

CLOSED SESSION

Members then entered into Closed Session for the purpose of discussing a personnel matter related to the Arena.

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

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 9:15 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website March 31, 2015.