

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

June 13, 2016

The meeting was called to order by the Deputy Warden at 7:02 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger, Chair
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
- Shaun Hatfield
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson

- Rob Frost, CAO

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

It was agreed that the following item be added to the agenda:

- Letter of congratulations to Darren Hudson.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved by D. LeBlanc-Messenger and seconded by G. El-Jakl that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that the minutes of the meeting held May 16th, May 17th, May 30th and June 6th, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION BY CAPE SABLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Mrs. Brenda Maxwell of The Cape Sable Historical Society was in attendance to present the Conservation Report that had been completed by Jost Architects. (Four members of the Board of Directors were also in attendance - Boyd Scott, Marjorie Weeks, Lillian Perry, and Julie Smith).

Mrs. Maxwell presented the recommendations as presented in the Conservation Report. The Cape Sable Historical Society is requesting that Council fund half of the suggested renovations. The total suggested cost is \$227,231.00. The request to Council is \$113,616.00.

Discussion ensued regarding the relationship between The Cape Sable Historical Society and NS Museums. Mrs. Maxwell explained that NS Museums gives money to the Society for the operation of the Old Woolen Mill and the Old Meeting House, and that money is kept in a separate account and reported to the Province separate from other financials. Mrs. Maxwell was asked if we could receive a copy of all financials so the Municipality would have a clearer picture of all operations, and the Municipality has been asked to send a letter requesting this information.

When asked about the recommendation in the report to close the building for the winter Mrs. Maxwell stated that they would prefer to keep the building open year round to best respond to genealogical requests. It was suggested that there are approximately 300-350 visits per year to the Old Court House.

It was agreed that the Municipality would prepare a letter to the Society requesting further information.

ROSEWAY STUDENT SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Discussion occurred regarding the request from the Shelburne County Health Care Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee. There was some concern about the proposed breakdown of cost, as the ask was for almost 50% of the funding, but the resource is not located in the Municipality.

Resolution COW160605

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council to grant \$1200 to the Shelburne County Health Care Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee as a one time grant for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Motion carried unanimously.

NOTIFICATION OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO AQUACULTURE LICENSE

Information was received from the NS Department of Fisheries and Aquaculture to be placed on file in regards to the amendment to an aquaculture license within the Municipality.

TAX REDUCTION APPLICATIONS

Resolution COW160606

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by G. El-Jakl that it be recommended to Council to approve the tax reduction application as submitted by Ralph and Mary Jane Schnare. (Assessment reduction from \$84,900 to \$26,100).

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution COW160607

Moved by D. LeBlanc-Messenger and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council to approve the tax reduction application as submitted by Joseph and Shelly Blinkhorn. (Assessment reduction from \$175,600 to \$45,200).

Motion carried unanimously.

MUNICIPAL VISA

Resolution COW160608

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council that:

WHEREAS the Municipality of the District of Barrington may borrow to cover the annual current expenditure of the Municipality that has been authorized by Council;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to authorize a \$20,000 corporate VISA facility for the purpose of paying current operating expenditures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Barrington approve a Corporate VISA Facility with the CIBC, limited to a maximum of \$20,000 for the purpose of the purchase of goods and services for municipal purposes.

Motion carried unanimously.

GARBAGE BOXES – SEBIM BEACH

Discussion was held regarding the garbage boxes that are currently located at the entrance to the Sevim Beach Association. This is the last location where residents are provided with garbage boxes in the Municipality. Discussion took place regarding handing over the boxes to the Sevim Beach Association for them to maintain.

Resolution COW160609

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council to grant the garbage boxes located at the entrance to Sevim Beach to the Sevim Beach Owners Association.

Motion carried unanimously.

SALE OF FORMER TENNIS COURT PROPERTY

It was brought to the attention of Council that a public hearing will be advertised and held on June 27th at the regularly scheduled Council meeting.

BUTLER’S ROAD SEWER

It was brought to the attention of Council that development of the subdivision at the end of Butler’s Rd is in the process of being completed, at which time the Municipality will be asked to take over ownership and operation of the sewer line on Butler’s Rd.

REVIEW OF MUNICIPAL GRANTS APPLICATIONS

Resolution COW160610

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by D. LeBlanc-Messenger that it be recommended to Council that grants be approved to the following organizations.

Motion carried unanimously.

SUMMARY – MUNICIPAL GRANTS 2016/2017			
ORGANIZATION	Amount Approved 2015/2016	Amount Requested 2016/2017	Amount Approved 2016/2017
Forbes Point Cemetery Association	500.00	500.00	500
Little Red School House	500.00	500.00	500
Evergreen Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Tri-County Pregnancy Care Centre	1,000.00	2,000.00	1000
RSCC 327 Unicorn	1,000.00	1,000.00	1000
Shag Harbour Incident Society	500.00	500.00	500
Sou'West Nova Transit Association (Operating Grant)	2,000.00	7,237.17	0
Sou'West Nova Transit Association (Subsidy Grant)		4,824.78	3000
Barrington Municipal Exhibition	3,500.00	10,000.00	7500
Southwest Nova Biosphere Association	--	500.00	0
Yarmouth Hospital Foundation – Spring Gala	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00 (Pd)
Woods Harbour Community Centre Association	--	737.64	500
Shelburne County Lobster Festival	500.00	1,000.00	500.00 (Pd)
Kids Fair Play FUND	500.00	500.00	500.00 (Pd)
WCRL – Adopt-A-Book		400.00	400.00 (Pd)
Sou'West Nova Climate Data Research (CBDC)		1,500.00	1,500.00 (Pd) last payment
Barrington Hillside Cemetery Society	500.00	500.00	500
Villagedale Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Woods Harbour Fisherman's Memorial	500.00	1,000.00	500
Mount Pleasant Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
The Doctor's Cove Old Cemetery Association	500.00	500.00	500
Barrington Cemetery Association	--	500.00	500
Atlantic Cemetery Club	--	500.00	500
Stoney Island Community Club	500.00	1,000.00	500
South West Nova Transition House Association (Juniper House)	500.00	1,000.00	1000
Woods Harbour Days	500.00	1,000.00	750
Town of Clark's Harbour – 50 th Anniversary Coast Guard 101	--	150.00	150.00 (Pd)
Society for Preservation of Greenhill Community Church	500.00	500.00	500
Camp Jordan Association	500.00	1,000.00	500

ORGANIZATION	Amount Approved 2015/2016	Amount Requested 2016/2017	Amount Approved 2016/2017
Atwood's Brook Cemetery Association	--	500.00	500
Greenwood Cemetery	--	500.00	500
Wesley Heritage Community Seniors Association	500.00	500.00	500
Barrington Township Museum Association	--	500.00	0
Old Farm Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Chapel Hill Historical Society	500.00	500.00	500
The Queen of Hearts Dory Club	--	3,000.00	2000
Sou' West 4H Club	500.00	550.00	500
South Shore Tourism Team		810.00	810.00 (Pd)
Centreville/N.E. Point Community Hall	--	400.00	500
Red Cross – Fort McMurray, AB		1,500.00	1,500.00
Roseway Student Sponsorship Program			1200
TOTALS:		\$50,809.59	\$35,010.00

FINANCE DIRECTOR – JOB DESCRIPTION

A brief discussion was held regarding the Finance Director job description. Council is welcome to discuss further with CAO should they have questions or concerns.

OFFICE LEASE AGREEMENT

Discussion was held about the renewal of the lease for Dr. Baker. The Municipality had agreed to cover lease expenses for Dr. Baker for three years, but a lease agreement was only signed with the property owner for two years. Warden Nickerson and G. El-Jakl believed that the lease agreement would now be completed. Information will be verified and brought back to the Committee of the Whole Council.

APPLICATION FOR VENDING PERMIT AND SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT

After some discussion about insurance coverage, and the suggestion from our insurers that the Circus should carry more insurance, Council made the following motion.

Resolution COW160611

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by J. Crook that it be recommended to Council to approve the Vending Permit and Special Events Permit for Benjamin's Circus.

Motion carried unanimously.

LETTER OF CONGRATULATIONS TO DARREN HUDSON

Resolution COW160612

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. LeBlanc-Messenger that it be recommended to Council to write a congratulatory letter to Darren Hudson on his recent success and Championship performance at the Men's Professional Division of the US Logrolling Open.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 10:20 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting