

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

January 15, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Councillor El-Jakl at 7:15 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- George El-Jakl (Chair)
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Jody Crook
- Murray Atkinson
- Shaun Hatfield – Arrived at 7:20pm
  
- Rob Frost, CAO

One member of the public was in attendance.

### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the minutes of January 8, 2018 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### WESTERN REN - IMMIGRATION PILOT

Gino Thibeault of the Western REN was present to discuss the Immigration Pilot Program with Committee. Gino spoke of the many ways that people can immigrate, and focused the discussion on the Atlantic Immigration Pilot, and the streams in which businesses can participate. This pilot allows businesses to work to attract a skill set that they may be having trouble finding locally. Should any businesses be interested in learning more they can contact the Municipality, or the Western REN directly.

### STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were received by Committee.

REQUEST RE: NEW BALLFIELD DESIGNED FOR YOUTH BASEBALL

A letter was received from Steven MacIntosh regarding the possibility of having a new ballfield constructed that would be usable for youth. There was much discussion regarding this possibility, and the fact that the Municipality just turned over a ballfield that was not being used in Woods Harbour.

Committee asked that staff gather information on how many teams, players, etc. are using our current ballfields, and what the usage looks like, and bring this information back to Committee for further discussion.

UPDATE RE: HULL OF BOAT

A letter was received from the Canadian Coast Guard regarding the boat hull at North East Point. It stated that the boat hull does not pose a pollution or navigational hazard, and therefore does not fall within the scope or definition of a vessel of risk nor require action by the Canadian Coast Guard.

Resolution COW180107

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to send this response from the Coast Guard to MP Bernadette Jordan so that she is aware of the situation.

Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

PROPOSED UNSM RESOLUTIONS PROCESS

In follow up to a discussion held months ago regarding a proposed UNSM Resolutions Process Committee discussed some options they would propose for a clearer process.

Resolution COW180108

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to finalize a proposed UNSM Resolutions Process and invite Rural Caucus Representatives to discuss, and cover their expenses to travel to Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously. (5-0)

LETTER FROM SEA CADETS

Correspondence was received from the Sea Cadets asking about a Council liaison appointment. Committee will not appoint a member permanently, but would consider attending a meeting from time to time. The Sea Cadets will be asked to provide feedback and input to any potential new buildings as with other user groups. In the meantime should they have any concerns that are not being addressed they should contact the CAO.

LETTER FROM CLARK'S HARBOUR

A letter was received from Clark's Harbour asking for Council's support in having vacation beds added to Bay Side Home. Staff have been asked to gather further information on this request.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting

**On website January 17, 2018.**