

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

April 9, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Warden Nickerson at 6:40 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson (Chair)
- Murray Atkinson
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
  
- Rob Frost, CAO

Absent- Shaun Hatfield, away on vacation.

### 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 as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the minutes of March 19, 2018 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### SOU'WEST RECREATION COMPLEX ADVISORY COMMITTEE

A number of members from the Sou'West Recreation Complex Committee were present to discuss their proposal for new recreational facilities within Shelburne County. The group began out of a desire to see an indoor pool in the area. Since the initial discussions the scope of the project has increased to include additional facilities such as an indoor field, track, batting cages, and gym.

The group would like to apply for the Smart Cities Challenges Grant that is currently available through Infrastructure Canada. In order to apply they would need the support of one or more municipal units. They requested that Council consider supporting the application, and the development of a new recreation facility.

Discussion ensued with questions being asked about locations, who and how many would use the facility, what future costs would look like, and who would be responsible.

The group was thanked for their presentation, and Council will be discussing further.

BIRD STUDIES CANADA AND SHELBURNE COUNTY BEACH STEWARDSHIP

Christine Curry was present to discuss with Committee the most recent data on plover nesting and some of the beach stewardship initiatives underway. Christine informed the Committee that 49% of all plovers in Nova Scotia nest in Shelburne County. Christine provided the results of the previous year nesting and fledglings. It was pointed out that there is still significant issues with ATVs on local beaches, which is illegal, and it was encouraged that the Municipality continue to work with the Department of Natural Resources to prevent this from happening. There was discussion regarding the commitment of the Municipality to invest in the improvement of beach facilities. Due to the shortened presentation due to time constraints, further discussion may happen in the future.

4H CLUB FUNDING REQUEST

Four members and two leaders from the local 4H Club were present to discuss their upcoming trip to Manitoba on a club to club exchange sponsored by Agriculture Canada. The group talked about what they will learn about in Manitoba, and what they want to share with their exchange partners when they come to visit Barrington in August (6-16). Funds raised will be used for local travel, meals, and events. One fundraiser that they are doing is creating T-shirts with business logos that will be used by the participants. The cost to have a logo added is \$150.00. The group was thanked for their presentation, and further discussion will ensue.

REQUEST FROM MINNIE'S FURRY FRIENDS

A fundraising request was received from Minnie's Furry Friends who is working in partnership with PetValu in Barrington Passage to raise funds for pets in need. Committee discussed this but felt that granting money to a business, not a non-profit, may be outside the mandate of the Municipal Government Act.

DRAFT REVISIONS TO POLICY 54 – "FIRE RESPONSE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES POLICY"

The previously proposed revisions have since been accepted and approved by the Friendly Fire Club and all Departments.

Resolution COW180401

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to proceed with the proposed changes to Policy 54 "Fire Response and Emergency Services Policy" as presented.

Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

GEOTECHNICAL SURVEY – FORMER KNOWLES PROPERTY

Information was presented to Committee regarding cost estimates for a Geotechnical Survey of the former Knowles Property.

Resolution COW180402

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to give the CAO authority to proceed with having a Geotechnical Survey completed on the former Knowles property.

Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

DOCTOR RENTAL AGREEMENTS

As both rental agreements for the resident rent have come due, Committee needed to review the agreements. As ongoing discussions occur with the local doctors regarding future locations, it was determined it would be best to create a one year agreement.

Resolution COW180403

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to extend the rental agreements for Dr. Baker and Dr. Yee for a one year period.

Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

ISLAND VIEW PARK – OUTDOOR ENTERTAINMENT VENUE

A request came to Committee from Scotty Reid regarding using Island View Park as a music venue in the warmer months. Committee felt this would be a great addition, and gave direction to the CAO to proceed with creating parameters around use, and working with Mr. Reid and staff to develop a plan for use.

LYME DISEASE AWARENESS MONTH

A proclamation request was received regarding Lyme Disease Awareness Month. This will be proclaimed at Council.

Committee also asked the CAO to research what other municipal units do in regards to proclamations.

4H REQUEST

Resolution COW180404

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to provide the 4H Club with a grant of \$500.00 to be used towards their club to club exchange.

Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

The Municipality will also work with the 4H group to assist them with events and activities when the 4H Members are here from Manitoba.

REQUEST FOR FEEDBACK ON 2018 UNSM PRIORITIES

Discussion took place regarding the email sent from UNSM regarding 2018 priorities. Committee felt that there is still issues with the process used by UNSM, although asking for ranking of priorities is a good change from past practice. Further discussion will take place at the next Committee of the Whole Council meeting following a regional UNSM meeting on Monday afternoon that will be attended by the Warden, CAO, and possibly other councillors.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting