

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

July 16, 2018

The meeting was called to order by Councillor Hatfield at 7:05 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Shaun Hatfield (Chair)
- Murray Atkinson
- Jody Crook
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson

- George El-Jakl - Absent due to road being blocked.

- Ken Smith, Interim CAO
- Leah d'Eon, Manager of Finance
- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- Recruitment of CAO.
- Design of Replacement Recreation Centre.
- Request from Town of Shelburne

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

PRESENTATION – BANTAM AA FOGGIES RE: SHEROSE ISLAND CANTEEN

Representatives of the Bantam AA Foggies ball team, Michelle Brannen, Gina Smith and her son Jacob Matthews appeared before the meeting.

Ms. Brannen addressed members and expressed thanks to Council for their donation towards their trip to the National Tournament in Newfoundland last year.

Ms. Brannen then informed members that for the past 3 years, the Clark's Harbour Foggies have hosted several tournaments at the Sherose Island Ballfield bringing in many teams and fans. Concern was expressed regarding the condition and maintenance of the field, overflowing garbage cans and inadequate washroom facilities for tournaments. Concern was also expressed regarding the lack of permanent canteen facilities.

They are requesting members to consider funding upgrades to the Sherose Island Ballfield and facilities with top priority being given to the construction of a wired canteen building with attached sound booth.

It was noted that staff and councillors are scheduled to meet with engineers regarding the design of the replacement recreation centre on Thursday, July 19, 2018, and that this would be a good time to discuss a site plan for additional components of the sports complex area, including a canteen.

It was agreed the concerns regarding field grooming, washrooms and garbage would be discussed with staff.

It was the consensus of members that we take steps to establish a canteen and services at the Sherose Island Ballfield for next season.

Representatives of the Bantam AA Foggies were thanked for appearing before the Committee.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the minutes of July 9, 2018 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were circulated to members in advance to the meeting and were accepted as presented.

INFORMATION RE: EXHIBITION FLOATS

As requested at the last meeting, the Exhibition Committee was contacted to obtain additional information on “floats” noted in their financial statements. It was determined that both floats were cash floats and not parade floats. Proper recording of the floats in the financial statements was then questioned. The Interim CAO will make contact with the Exhibition Committee for clarification.

FEDERAL DISASTER MITIGATION AND ADAPTATION FUND

As requested at the last meeting, the Town of Shelburne was contacted to obtain additional information regarding their letter of June 7, 2018 relating to the new Federal Government Disaster Mitigation and Adaptation Fund. At the present time they are requesting to know whether the Municipality of Barrington would be interested in meeting with them to discuss possible regional projects that could be applied for under this fund. Information collected would be used for the next round of applications being accepted under this program.

During discussion of this matter suggestions were brought forth regarding roadways that suffer from storm surges, coastline erosion, CSI Causeway, etc. Direction was given to staff to obtain information on the criteria for funding to determine whether the Municipality could possibly qualify for funding for the causeway.

It was agreed that the Town of Shelburne be notified that the Municipality would be interested in taking part in their regional meeting.

BOAT AT NORTH EAST POINT

In-camera session

Being duly moved and seconded that the Committee move In-Camera to discuss a legal matter.

Motion carried unanimously.

This session was held in accordance with Section 22(2)(g) of the Municipal Government Act.

Back to Open Session

Direction was given to staff to deal with the derelict vessel.

CORRESPONDENCE FROM LINDA SYMONDS RE: OIL DRILLING

In advance to the meeting each member was provided with a copy of an email received from Linda Symonds regarding offshore drilling. Ms. Symonds is requesting Council to write a letter similar to the one written by the Municipality of Shelburne expressing Council's concerns regarding offshore drilling.

Resolution COW180708

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that a letter be written to the Minister of Fisheries & Oceans, the Canadian Coast Guard, Minister of Natural Resources and Minister of Environment and Climate Change regarding Council's concerns relating to offshore oil and gas exploration.

Motion carried unanimously.

CHF COMPASS COOPERATIVE INITIATIVE – MOU

The proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the Municipality and Compass Nova Scotia Co-operative Homes was once again a topic of discussion. Reference was made to legal advice obtained.

Resolution COW180709

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that CHF Compass be advised that the Municipality is not interested in committing to provide the former Knowles property located in Barrington Passage for their initiative, but would be willing to consider other properties that they may want to put forward.

AFFIRMATIVE

Murray Atkinson
Shaun Hatfield
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

Jody Crook

Motion carried.

Resolution COW180710

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality sign the Memorandum of Understanding for property at the end of the Business Park Property located on Stirl's Road in Barrington Passage, with the condition that it not be legally binding until further details are worked out.

AFFIRMATIVE

Murray Atkinson
Shaun Hatfield
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

Jody Crook

Motion carried.

LETTER RE: SHAG HARBOUR HIGHWAY SIGNAGE

In advance to the meeting members were provided with a copy of a letter addressed to MLA Chris d'Entremont from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal regarding Highway 103 signage for Shag Harbour.

The letter advised that TIR's standard practice in selecting community names to be included within their highway signage are those with the largest populations.

It was noted that this letter was provided for information purposes only.

REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT – SHELburne COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLNESS ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from the Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association requesting a letter of support for the Shelburne County Warm Line Project.

Resolution COW180711

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that a letter of support be provided to the Shelburne County Mental Health and Wellness Association in support of their Warm Line Project.

Motion carried unanimously.

POTENTIAL CHANGES TO THE MANAGEMENT OF C & D MATERIALS IN NOVA SCOTIA

It was reported that the Department of Environment is considering changes to the transfer, storage and processing of construction and demolition materials in the province. Proposed changes include restricting materials accepted at C&D disposal sites which would include treated lumber, drywall, asphalt paving and painted surfaces that contain lead. The department is requesting feedback by July 20th.

The Interim CAO reported on comments received from the Property Services Manager.

Resolution COW180712

Being duly moved and seconded that a letter be written to the Department of Environment opposing potential changes to the transfer, storage and processing of construction and demolition materials in the province and that this letter be copied to all municipal units.

Motion carried unanimously.

RECRUITMENT OF CAO

The Interim CAO advised that he has been looking over applications received for CAO and our timeline. He advised that the advertisement on Career Beacon has expired and he is recommending that it be renewed.

He is further suggesting that members meet In-Camera on July 23, 2018 to review applications received to date.

Members agreed to meet In-Camera on July 23, 2018 and to renew the advertisement on Career Beacon.

DESIGN OF REPLACEMENT RECREATION CENTRE

The Interim CAO informed members that arrangements have been made for staff and councillors to meet with the engineers to discuss the design of the replacement recreation centre on Thursday, July 19, 2018. Staff will meet with engineers at 1:00 p.m. and Councillors agreed to meet with them at 4:00 p.m.

REQUEST FROM THE TOWN OF SHELBURNE

The Warden reported that the Mayor for the Town of Shelburne has asked if we would be interested in having Michael Bull Roberts come back to the area for public speaking sessions. Earlier this year Mr. Roberts spoke to high school students in Barrington, Shelburne and Yarmouth areas. He is a reformed gang member who speaks to youth about bullying, drugs, racism, addictions and gang life/violence. It is estimated to cost \$2,400.00 to bring him to Shelburne County for two public speaking sessions. The Municipality's contribution could be \$600.00 with the participation of other municipal units in the County.

Resolution COW180713

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality contribute \$600.00 towards the cost to bring Michael Bull Roberts to Shelburne County for 2 public speaking sessions, one to be held in Barrington and one to be held in Shelburne.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was agreed that the Mayor for the Town of Shelburne be contacted to confirm the date of the public speaking session in Barrington and a location be secured.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website July 18, 2018.