

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, NS, on Monday September 23, 2019. The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:05 p.m., with the following members present:

- Warden Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Deputy Warden Jody Crook
- Councillor Murray Atkinson
- Councillor George El-Jakl
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield

- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

No items were added to the Agenda.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded that the Agenda be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor Hatfield informed members that he would be declaring Conflict of Interest when Council deals with the vacancy on the Board of Directors of Bay Side Home.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded that minutes of the last meeting held August 26, 2019, be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden gave a brief report on his activities since the last meeting of Council.

REPORT OF COUNCILLORS

The Deputy Warden and each Councillor gave a brief report on their activities since the last meeting of Council.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Deputy Warden Crook reported on recommendations from the Committee of the Whole Council.

NS Nature Trust Request Re: Swaine's Road Bog

In August, representatives of the Nova Scotia Nature Trust provided a power point presentation to the Committee of the Whole Council. During that presentation it was reported that NS Nature Trust has conservation lands in the Municipality at Bon Portage Island, Crow Neck Beach, East Baccaro and Purgatory Point, Blanche. They advised that Swaine's Road and Port LaTour bogs are both nationally significant due to the large concentration of the endangered Thread-leaved Sundew plant. Nature Trust is interested in entering into a conservation easement with the Municipality for these two bogs to ensure the continued conservation of the land and protection of the endangered species.

During discussion of this matter it was noted that there has been no significant change in use of this property. The property appears to be used appropriately and respectfully and is mainly used for hunting and recreational activity along the trail.

Resolution C190901

Being duly moved and seconded that the Municipality of Barrington is not interested at this time in moving into an easement agreement with Nova Scotia Nature Trust.

AFFIRMATIVE

Warden Nickerson
Deputy Warden Crook
Councillor Atkinson
Councillor El-Jakl

NEGATIVE

Councillor Hatfield

Motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING - RE: CANNABIS PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING USES

Having reached the hour of 7:30 p.m., the Regular Council Meeting was adjourned and the Public Hearing was held to consider amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law to address Cannabis Production and Processing Uses.

The Development Officer was present for this portion of the meeting.

Minutes of the Public Hearing are attached hereto and form part of the minutes.

The Regular Council Meeting was called back to order at 7:47 p.m.

Resolution C190902

Being duly moved and seconded that proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law as it relates to Cannabis Production and Processing uses be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

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It was agreed by consensus of members that contact be made with other municipal units to determine what type of nuisances they have encountered as it relates to cannabis production and processing uses.

The Development Officer left the meeting at 7:50 p.m.

CONTINUATION OF REPORT FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL

Deputy Warden Crook continued to report on recommendations from Committee.

Tender RE: Excavator Lease

Tenders were called for a 5 year lease of a 14 ton excavator to replace the current excavator at the C. & D. Landfill Site. Fourteen tenders were received and reviewed.

Resolution C190903

Being duly moved and seconded that a 14 ton excavator be leased from Strongco Limited for a 5 year period for \$2011.00 plus HST per month.

Motion carried unanimously.

Floating Dock Monitoring Contract

Resolution C190904

Being duly moved and seconded that the Municipality enter into a new agreement with Carl Stewart to continue monitoring services at the floating dock at North East Point for another 1 year period with the same terms and conditions as outlined in the previous agreement.

Motion carried unanimously.

Bay Side Home Board of Directors – Vacancy

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Hatfield declared Conflict of Interest, vacated his seat and left the meeting room.

Councillor Hatfield has a family member in management at Bay Side Home.

Resolution C190905

Being duly moved and seconded that the Municipality advertise the vacancy currently existing on Bay Side Home Board of Directors as a result of the resignation of Jamie Symonds.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted that we are currently advertising to fill the vacancy on the Board of Director of Bay Side Home created as a result of the resignation of Carla Nickerson.

It was agreed that the Municipal Solicitor be contacted to determine whether it would be appropriate to fill the 2nd vacancy from applications received as a result of the advertisement for

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the 1st vacancy, should adequate suitable applications be received.

Request for Letter of Support for Warm Line Program

Resolution C190906

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

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORT

The Report of the Chief Administrative Officer for the period August 26th to September 23, 2019, was attached to the Agenda.

Topics highlighted were as follows:

- New Recreation Centre
- Amenities at Beaches
- Hurricane Dorian
- Trash Talk
- Capital Projects
- Building Permits and By-law Enforcement
- Upcoming Events

NEW OR OTHER BUSINESS

Notice of Consideration Re: Adoption of Driver Abstract Policy

During a recent Risk Assessment Session with our Insurance Company it was suggested that the Municipality may want to consider adopting a Driver Abstract Policy. As a result of that suggestion one has been drafted. The policy has been reviewed by members of the Committee of the Whole Council and the Municipal Solicitor.

Notice is given this evening that the adoption of the proposed Driver Abstract Policy will be considered at the next meeting of Council.

Notice of Consideration Re: Adoption of Corporate Identity and Branding Policy

In order to provide guidelines for the management of the Municipality's corporate identity and branding and to maintain continuity and consistency in all applications, it is being suggested that a Corporate Identity and Branding Policy be adopted.

Notice is given this evening that the adoption of the proposed Corporate Identity and Branding Policy will be considered at the next meeting of Council.

Consideration of Amendments to Policy 68 "Public Participation Policy"

Notice of consideration of amendments to Policy 68 "Public Participation Policy" was given at the September 9, 2019, Committee of the Whole Council Meeting. Proposed amendments

provide for notice of public participation meetings to be posted on the municipal website and social media and a notice to be sent directly to the applicant requesting amendments to the MPS and/or LUB. Proposed amendments also require the Chair to provide a written report to Council noting the views of the public as expressed at the public participation meeting.

Resolution C190907

Being duly moved and seconded that proposed amendments to Policy 68 “Public Participation Policy” be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence to report.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

There were no agenda items brought forward.

CONTINUATION OF REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden informed members that arrangements will be made with MLA Colton LeBlanc to meet with members during the month of January 2020.

Congratulations was extended to both Billy Kenney Hatfield and Nathan Smith for being the first team from the east coast to win the Berkly B1 Bass Tournament, which was held in Quebec earlier this month.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Warden

Chief Administrative Officer

Secretary for the Meeting

**PUBLIC HEARING
PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
THE MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY AND LAND USE BY-LAW
RE: CANNABIS PRODUCTION AND PROCESSING USES**

September 23, 2019

The Public Hearing was called to order by the Warden at 7:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Warden Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Deputy Warden Jody Crook
- Councillor Murray Atkinson
- Councillor George El-Jakl
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield

- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk
- David Andrews, Development Officer

The Warden informed members that the Public Hearing was being held this evening to receive public input regarding proposed amendments to the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-law as it relates to Cannabis Production and Processing Uses.

The Development Officer was asked to explain the proposed amendments.

He reported that these types of uses currently fall under the Agriculture Section of the MPS and LUB. Proposed amendments will strengthen controls by identifying zones where cannabis production and processing uses can take place and will also establish a setback requirement of 200 feet. These amendments will allow cannabis production and processing uses in the Business Park and Rural Development zones only and must be done by Development Agreement.

Deputy Warden Crook, Chair of the Planning Advisory Committee, informed members that concerns expressed at the Public Participation Meeting held August 22, 2019, mostly related to odour.

It was noted that this type of operation is subject to a variety of federal and provincial regulations.

These amendments are being proposed for the protection of our residents and to give clearer direction to developers.

It was noted that required advertisements were placed in the Vanguard Newspaper and on social media notifying the public of the Public Hearing. Notification was also given to adjacent municipal units.

No verbal or written presentations were received from the public.

ADJOURNMENT

The Public Hearing was adjourned at 7:47 p.m.

Warden

Secretary for the Meeting