

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**June 21, 2021**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:13 p.m., in the Multi-purpose Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, NS, with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
- Andrea Mood-Nickerson - attended by video conference - left at 9:09 p.m.
- Shaun Hatfield – arrived at 7:18 p.m.
  
- Chris Frotten, CAO
- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- 2021 BMHS Prom Committee
- Clubhouse Playground – Woods Harbour

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded that minutes of the Committee of the Whole Council Meeting held June 14, 2021, be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 42 “MUNICIPAL GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIP/ADVERTISING POLICY”

It was agreed that this matter be dealt with later in the meeting.

GRANT REQUESTS

Samuel Wood Historical Society

A grant application has been received from the Samuel Wood Historical Society requesting funding to assist with the upkeep of the museum.

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Resolution COW210617

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Samuel Wood Historical Society be provided with a grant in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

Sebim Beach Property Owners Association

Conflict of Interest

Councillor Hatfield declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and left the meeting room.

Councillor Hatfield lives on the Sand Hills Beach Extension Road and uses the garbage boxes placed by the Sebim Beach Property Owners Association.

A grant application has been received from the Sebim Beach Property Owners Association requesting funding to assist with the cost of a new "garbage box".

Resolution COW210618

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Sebim Beach Property Owners Association be provided with a grant in the amount of \$500.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Hatfield returned to the meeting.

LETTER FROM SHELBURNE COUNTY ARCHIVES AND GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

Correspondence has been received from the Shelburne County Archives and Genealogical Society asking that Council reconsider their decision to provide them with a grant of \$500.00 for 2021/22. The pandemic has emphasized the importance of computers, technology and digital platforms. The Society requested a \$1,000.00 grant to purchase an ipad, accessories and programs required to create a more digital presence.

After careful consideration it was agreed that no change be made to the grant amount.

Resolution COW210619

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the status quo be maintained as it relates to funding provided to the Shelburne County Archives and Genealogical Society for 2021/22.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook

George El-Jakl

Shaun Hatfield

Eddie Nickerson

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NEGATIVE

Andrea Mood-Nickerson

Motion carried.

2021 BURSARY SELECTION

In advance to the meeting members were provided with copies of bursary applications received. There were 7 applications in total and they were all reviewed based on our pre-determined criteria.

Resolution COW210620

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Municipal Bursary be awarded to Ethan Shand.

Motion carried unanimously.

CAPE SABLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY REQUEST FOR LETTER OF SUPPORT

Correspondence has been received from the Cape Sable Historical Society requesting a letter from Council in support of their Old Court House restoration project. The letter will be used to accompany grant applications for funding.

Resolution COW210621

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that a letter be provided to the Cape Sable Historical Society in support of their project to restore the Old Court House.

Motion carried unanimously.

TENDERS

Scale for C. & D. Landfill

This tender is for the replacement of the vehicle weighing scale and system at the C & D Landfill Site.

Tenders were received from the following:

All Weigh Systems	\$83,492.19
Avery Weigh-Tronix	\$101,963.00

Based on evaluation criteria, it is recommended that the tender submitted by Avery Weigh-Tronix in the amount of \$101,963.00 be selected for the following reasons:

1. They provide a 4-week delivery time vs a 6-10-week delivery time.

2. The construction and weld quality are superior (i.e., seamless welds vs. spot welding).
3. They provide a better software for weight tracking, including compatibility with our current municipal software.
4. Their qualifications and references are far superior.
5. They have excellent, proven customer service and reputation.
6. They have been very reliable over the years with little down-time.

Resolution COW210622

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the tender received from Avery Weigh-Tronix in the amount of 101,963.00 for the purchase of a vehicle weighing scale and system for the C & D Landfill Site be accepted and funds be taken from the Gas Tax Reserve.

Motion carried unanimously.

Public Works Building

This tender is for a 40'x 60' pre-engineered steel building to replace the old Public Works building.

Tenders were received from the following:

Alliance Building Construction Ltd (NB)	\$69,300.00
Eascan Building Systems (NS)	\$70,180.00
Garian Construction Ltd. (NS)	\$88,615.00
Rikjak Construction Ltd (NS)	\$108,800.00

Based on the evaluation criteria, it is recommended that the tender submitted by Eascan Building Systems in the amount of \$70,180.00 be accepted for the following reasons:

1. They offer a far better timeline (11 weeks vs. 20-26 weeks).
2. They have done other projects in the area.
3. They are highly recommended by local contractors.

Resolution COW210623

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the tender received from Eascan Building Systems in the amount of \$70,180.00 for the purchase of a 40'x 60' pre-engineered steel building to replace the old Public Works building be accepted.

Motion carried unanimously.

SUPPORT TO REMOVE RESIDENT AT 36 BROWN'S PIT ROAD VIA HOUSING AUTHORITY

The Deputy Warden informed members that he has received complaints regarding activities which have taken place at 36 Brown's Pit Road and the complainant is requesting the Municipality to support the removal of the resident from the premises. As the property is managed by the Western Regional Housing Authority, it was recommended that the

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Deputy Warden inform the complainant to contact the Housing Authority directly.

#### REVIEW FIREWORKS ACTIVITY IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF BARRINGTON

The Warden and Deputy Warden informed members that they have received complaints relating to fireworks being used during late hours and during fire bans.

It was noted that the Municipality does not have a by-law relating to fireworks, but complaints may be addressed through our Noise By-law and the Department of Lands and Forestry, depending on the circumstances.

#### NSFM CORRESPONDENCE

NSFM Monday Memos dated May 17<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> 31<sup>st</sup>, June 7<sup>th</sup> and 14, 2021, were attached to the agenda for review by members.

A general discussion relating to housing took place and it was agreed that this matter be placed on an upcoming agenda for further discussion.

#### 2021 PROM COMMITTEE

Correspondence has been received from the BMHS Prom Committee requesting the Municipality to financially support their Prom which is scheduled to be held at the Sandy Wickens Memorial Arena on August 6, 2021. The CAO informed members that this year's Prom Committee is being offered a reduced rental rate that was made available to last year's Prom Committee.

General discussion took place regarding the placement of an advertisement on Wilson's Home Hardware sign congratulating graduates.

#### Resolution COW210624

Being duly moved and seconded that the CAO take steps to place an advertisement on the Wilson's Home Hardware sign expressing congratulations to 2021 graduates from the Municipality of Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT RE: PLACE NAMES IN SHELBURNE COUNTY

Some members have received complaints from residents regarding the survey recently

circulated by Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services regarding the renaming of some of the place names in Shelburne County.

The process of choosing new names was questioned and it was reported that Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services will research the submitted names according to the criteria and then offer the most suitable names back to the residents of Shelburne County for the final decisions.

Councillor Mood-Nickerson excused herself from the meeting at 9:09 p.m.

#### CLUBHOUSE PLAYGROUND

Councillor El-Jakl made members aware of difficulties the Clubhouse Playground Association has encountered when trying to purchase commercial liability insurance for their playground in Woods Harbour. The group has been very active with fundraising and applying for grants to revitalize the old playground. It appears that the cost of insurance will be approximately \$6,000.00. The Association is making contact with other insurance carriers in the hopes of finding a better price. Assistance from the Municipality may be necessary if they are unsuccessful.

#### REVIEW OF POLICY NO. 42 "MUNICIPAL GRANTS AND SPONSORSHIP/ADVERTISING POLICY"

Much discussion took place regarding our current Municipal Grants and Sponsorship/Advertising Policy and many suggestions were put forward as to how the policy should be amended.

It was agreed that draft amendments to the policy be prepared based on the discussion and presented back to committee for review at a later date.

#### ADJOURNMENT

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

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting