

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING**  
**July 15, 2019**

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, NS, with the following members present:

- Shaun Hatfield - Chair
- Murray Atkinson
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
  
- Chris Frotten, CAO
- Leah d'Eon, Director of Finance
- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

It was agreed that the following items be added to the agenda:

- Skateboard Park
- Drone By-law
- Richard Swain Track and Field

**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 the minutes of the last meeting held July 8, 2019, be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

**CAPE SABLE HISTORICAL SOCIETY - GRANT REQUEST**

Samantha Brannen, Museum Director appeared before the meeting to explain details of her grant request. The Society operates four museum sites which forms the Barrington Museum Complex. The Society has developed a two-phased project that will create a cultural hub within the Complex.

The first phase is the purchase and installation of communication hardware to provide stable wifi signals to each of the 4 museum sites. The Society is requesting funding from the Municipality to cover this cost in the amount of \$4,300.99. The Society is prepared to cover the monthly recurring charges to the internet service provider.

Phase 2 of the project is contingent upon approved funding by a Strategic Development Initiative Grant, which will involve the installation of a Nova Scotia webcam focused on the Old Woolen Mill, showing the Mill Dam and events and activities taking place on nearby properties. The

Society will be requesting the Municipality to cover the cost of the recurring monthly fee of \$129.00 for a two second refresh or \$249.00 for a live stream with audio capability in exchange for the banner advertising space on their camera's view.

Mrs. Brannen advised that they have applied for funding for roof replacement and a heat pump to allow them to be open year-round. They have a close connection with other historical societies in the area and want to be a resource to them and assist in their potential growth. The Society hopes to be able to provide training to other societies in grant writing, etc.

Mrs. Brannen was thanked for appearing before members to explain the Society's request.

Resolution COW190705

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Cape Sable Historical Society be provided with a grant of \$4,300.99, as requested, to cover the cost of purchase and installation of wifi hardware.

Motion carried unanimously.

MUNICIPAL GRANT APPLICATIONS

Grant requests received from historical societies, including the one noted above, were referred back to committee from Council for further consideration.

Archelaus Smith Historical Society

The Archelaus Smith Historical Society is requesting a municipal grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to assist with the cost of replacing shingles on the outside of the building and paint.

Resolution COW190706

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Archelaus Smith Historical Society be provided with a grant in the amount of \$1,000.00 to assist with the cost of replacing shingles on the outside of the building and paint, as requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chapel Hill Historical Society

The Chapel Hill Historical Society is requesting a municipal grant in the amount of \$500.00 to help defray the cost of replacing 2 arched windows on the western side of the museum.

Resolution COW190707

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Chapel Hill Historical Society be provided with a grant in the amount of \$500.00 to assist with the cost of replacing 2 arched windows in the Museum, as requested.

Motion carried unanimously.

Samuel Wood Historical Society

The Samuel Wood Historical Society is requesting a municipal grant in the amount of 3,000.00 to assist with the cost of painting the museum building.

Resolution COW190708

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 \$3,000.00 to assist with the cost of painting one side of the museum, as requested.

Motion carried.

**AFFIRMATION**

Murray Atkinson

George El-Jakl

Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson

**NEGATIVE**

Jody Crook

Shaun Hatfield

It was agreed that the Municipal Grants and Sponsorship/Advertising Policy be further reviewed at a future meeting of the Committee.

DRAFT AMENDMENTS TO “DOG BY-LAW” RE: DOG ATTACKS

Option 1 as presented at the last meeting of the Committee has been incorporated into the Dog By-law, as requested. A copy of the revised by-law was circulated to members for their review and comment.

It was agreed by consensus that the by-law be referred to Council for first reading.

APRIL-JUNE, 2019 FINANCIAL REPORT

Leah d'Eon, Director of Finance, reviewed the April-June, 2019 Financial Report in detail providing explanations on amounts over and under budget.

It was reported that the Committee will be provided with financial reports on a quarterly basis.

COMMUNITY FORESTS SHELBURNE COUNTY ORGANIZATION

It was reported that correspondence has been received from the Office of the Minister of Lands and Forests in response to our letter of May 1, 2019 in which we requested the Minister to meet with representatives of the Community Forests Shelburne County Organization and councils of Shelburne County. The letter provided information on harvesting scheduled in Shelburne County and advised that they would be responding directly to the organization.

QUARTERLY REPORT - BUILDING INSPECTION DEPARTMENT

A Quarterly Report on building permit activity was provided to members in advance to the meeting. Permit values for April, May and June, 2019 was \$2,185,900.00.

COMMUNITY NAVIGATOR PROPOSAL

Members were advised that an updated CN Proposal was attached to the agenda on our website.

Resolution COW190709

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality support the Community Navigator Proposal by committing \$10,000.00 to the project for 2019/20 and that the commitment be reviewed during budget deliberations for the following two fiscal years.

Motion carried unanimously.

During discussion of the Community Navigator Proposal it was noted that the Yarmouth and Area Chamber of Commerce also requested a representative of Council to serve on their Municipal Committee.

Resolution COW190710

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Warden serve as Council's representative on the Municipal Committee for the Community Navigator Project.

Motion carried unanimously.

DRONE BY-LAW

Question was raised regarding laws concerning the flying of drones. It was noted that the use of drones is governed by the Federal Government.

It was agreed that the CAO would circulate information to members on regulations.

RICHARD SWAIN TRACK AND FIELD

The following concerns were expressed regarding the Richard Swain Track and Field, located in Barrington Passage:

- Low spot in center field. Grass is growing up and there is water laying in the area.
- Bushes growing outside of the fence.
- Baby barn on property requires maintenance.

It was agreed that the CAO would take steps to have these concerns addressed.

SKATEBOARD PARK

It was reported that concern has recently been expressed that children in the area have no place to skateboard and are using commercial parking lots.

Tyler Nickerson, President of the Barrington Leisure Park Association was present and was asked to join the discussion regarding the development of a Skateboard Park in the area. Mr. Nickerson provided information on the efforts of his association. He advised that some fundraising has taken place and they have held approximately 10 meetings to date. Interest seems to have dwindled off, but now with recent concerns, interest has surfaced again.

The Chair provided some background information on the creation of a Skateboard Park in the Municipality and reported that Council is on record as supporting, in principle, the development of a multi-purpose (wheel) park, on property of Mr. Nickerson's located in Barrington Passage, as he and Everett Tetz presented to Council in March, 2018.

Mr. Nickerson stated that this should be a community project and one that requires everyone to come together in order to move forward with development. It was indicated that it is important that such a Skateboard Park include other aspects.

The Association will be holding a public meeting on Tuesday, July 30, 2019, to receive input.

Mr. Nickerson was thanked for discussing this matter with members.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting

