

BARRINGTON MUNICIPAL/CLARK'S HARBOUR TOWN SATELLITE DIALYSIS COMMITTEE MEETING

October 15, 2015

The meeting was called to order by Lee Goreham-Smith at 7:40 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Lee Goreham-Smith, Chair
 - David Cleaver
 - Brenda Cleaver
 - Rex Stoddard
 - Leigh Stoddart
 - Shaun Hatfield
 - Jody Crook
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- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

ELECTION OF CHAIRPERSON

Moved by B. Cleaver and seconded by L. Stoddart that Lee Goreham-Smith be nominated Chair of the committee and that David Cleaver be nominated Co-chair of the committee.

Motion carried unanimously.

TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Chair indicated that 14 pages of information concerning the Terms of Reference of the committee have been circulated to members with the agenda.

The Chair then asked if there were any other matters to be dealt with at this point.

REVIEW OF INITIATIVES TO DATE

The Chair then reviewed the initiatives that had been taken by the Community Satellite Dialysis Committee to date. At this point the Community Committee is waiting for communication from Susan MacNeil, Manager, Nova Scotia Renal Program. The Committee is expecting feedback from Ms. MacNeil during the week of October 26th. Until communication is received from this individual no further action will be taken.

LOCATION FOR PROPOSED CLINIC

Members then discussed possible locations that were suggested for a Satellite Dialysis Clinic. These included Bay Side Home and vacant property formerly occupied by the Superstore near the Cape Sable Island Causeway.

It was suggested that Bay Side Home has the land and can build on to its present structure. This of course would depend on provincial financing being provided. The Causeway location that was also suggested does not require an additional building, however it would have other requirements. The necessary support systems are already in place at Bay Side Home whereas they would not be in place at the Causeway location. The location that is chosen will of course affect the capital costs of such a project.

It was suggested that three (3) chairs would be adequate for the community, however the Department of Health indicated that six (6) chairs would be needed to make the Satellite Clinic sustainable. Six chairs would allow for 12 treatments per day. It was indicated that one dialysis nurse has already expressed interest in locating to Barrington.

Members then discussed how much already vacant space may be available at Bay Side Home. David Cleaver agreed to inquire about available space at Bay Side Home when he next visited there.

It was suggested that a letter be sent to Susan MacNeil, Manager of the Nova Scotia Renal Program, indicating that this committee has been set up and has the support of both the Town of Clark's Harbour and the Municipality of Barrington.

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that a letter be sent to Susan MacNeil, Manager of the Nova Scotia Renal Program, informing her of the establishment of this committee and its support from both municipal units.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by L. Stoddart that the letter should also be copied to our MLA, MLA Belliveau, and the Minister of Health.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was also then the consensus of members that to distinguish this committee from the Community Committee that is already in place, this committee will be called the Barrington Municipal/Clark's Harbour Town Satellite Dialysis Committee.

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Cleaver that a letter of support from the Western Shelburne County Health Care Charitable Society be requested to be sent to Susan MacNeil with copies to our MLA, MLA Belliveau, and the Minister of Health indicating their support for the establishment of a Satellite Dialysis Clinic in Western Shelburne County.

Motion carried unanimously.

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that a letter of support be requested from doctors Baker, Blair, Yee and Premachandra in support of the establishment of a Satellite Dialysis Clinic in Western Shelburne County, and that this letter of support be sent to Susan MacNeil with copies to our MLA, MLA Sterling Belliveau, and the Minister of Health.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

It was the consensus of members that the next committee meeting would be called once communication has been received from Susan MacNeil. The timing of the meeting would depend on the correspondence received.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:18 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for: Committee members, Town Clerk and councillors for Town of Clark's Harbour and councillors for the Municipality of Barrington