

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
MONDAY, JULY 4, 2011
1:30 P.M.**

A meeting of Municipal Council of the County of Inverness was held on Monday, July 4, 2011, at 1:30 p.m. at the Court House in Port Hood with the following in attendance:

Warden Duart MacAulay
Deputy Warden Gloria LeBlanc
Councillor Susan Mallette
Councillor Jim Mustard
Councillor Dwayne MacDonald

Staff: Joe O'Connor, CAO
Eveylena Gillis, Council Recorder

Media: Rankin MacDonald, Inverness Oran
Matt Draper, Reporter

Not Present: Councillor Daniel Boudreau

CALL TO ORDER

Warden MacAulay called meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

Warden MacAulay expressed condolences to the family of former Councillor Donnie Matheson.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Carried.

That the minutes of the Municipal Council meeting of June 20, 2011, be approved.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

There was no business arising from minutes.

PRESENTATION BY DEREK MACLELLAN

Derek MacLellan reviewed the work which still has to be carried out from the flood damage in Meat Cove and in particular the bridge and the beach area. Mr. MacLellan questioned the status

of the EMO funding and whether some of the residents from Meat Cove would be able to work on these projects. Mr. MacLellan indicated that several construction companies in the Meat Cove area have expressed an interest in bidding on the project. Garret Beaton advised that the County is ready to tender these projects and it was agreed that Mr. Beaton and a representative from EMO meet with the Meat Cove Development Association to discuss the possibility of their association putting in a bid on the work.

PRESENTATION BY ANNE LEVESQUE - INVERNESS COUNTY CHAPTER OF THE COUNCIL OF CANADIANS

Anne Levesque provided information on the Comprehensive Economic Trade Agreement that is being negotiated between Canada and the European Union. Ms. Levesque reviewed the implications the trade agreement may have for many Inverness County residents and they feel that there should be more consultation with Municipalities.

Ms. Levesque provided a resolution and asked that Council pass this resolution.

Warden MacAulay explained that the Province may be looking into this agreement and suggested that it may be beneficial for the Council of Canadians to contact the UNSM and the Province as to their status and Council will discuss this resolution at a later time.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT MEETING

Moved by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Seconded by: Councillor Susan Mallette
Carried.

Resolved that the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting of June 20, 2011, be approved and that the recommendations made to Council therein, and the motions passed therein are hereby adopted, approved and passed by Council.

APPROVAL OF CAPITAL INVESTMENT PLAN - 2011-2016

Moved by: Deputy Warden Gloria LeBlanc
Seconded by: Councillor Susan Mallette
Carried.

That the Capital Investment Plan for 2011-2016 be approved.

UPDATE - PROPERTY OF HOWARD SLEEP - LONG POINT

Joe O'Connor advised that Woody Chediak continues to do work on the trailer.

UNSIGHTLY PREMISES - COLIN/DONNA MACDONALD - PID #50208552

Mr. O'Connor read a report from the Administrator of the Dangerous & Unsightly Premises Act in which it is recommended that the building be demolished.

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Carried.

That Council accept the recommendation from the Administrator of the Dangerous & Unsightly Premises Act and provide a 7 day notice to the property owner inviting them to attend the next Municipal Council meeting at which time this recommendation will be discussed.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Carried.

That the next Municipal Council meeting be held on Wednesday, July 13, 2011, at 6 p.m. at the Fire Hall in Inverness.

CORRESPONDENCE

RESIDENTS OF BANKS ROAD - WATER CONNECTION

Correspondence was received from the residents of Banks Road in Inverness with respect to their connection to a new water line. The residents feel that the County should be responsible to extend the water line from their property line to their homes.

Mr. O'Connor reviewed the policy in which it has always been the responsibility of the property owner to take the service from the property line to their homes.

Discussion followed and it was agreed that Garret Beaton and Councillor Mustard review the circumstances of this situation with the property owners to see if any other compromise could be reached.

EASTERN COUNTIES REGIONAL LIBRARY - FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

The Financial Statements for 2010-2011 for the Eastern Counties Regional Library were received

for review.

BOAT - MARGAREE HARBOUR BRIDGE

Deputy Warden LeBlanc advised that letters of complaint have been sent to the Dept. Of Fisheries and the Dept. Of Environment. The Dept. Of Environment have examined the site and found no contamination.

ROAD NAME CHANGE

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Carried.

That the petition from the residents of "Unnamed Road" located in Inverness for road to be named "Cabot Lane" be forwarded to the Eastern District Planning Commission for approval.

Council adjourned for a five minute break.

Warden MacAulay called meeting back to order at 3:15 p.m.

A motion was made by Councillor MacDonald, seconded by Councillor Mallette that meeting adjourn to "In Camera".

A motion was made by Councillor Mustard, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that meeting adjourn to "Open Council".

RECOMMENDATIONS OF "IN CAMERA"

E.D. MACKINNON TRUCKING LIMITED

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Susan Mallette
Carried.

That the motion of the Municipal Council meeting of June 13, 2011, Re E.D. MacKinnon Trucking Ltd. be amended as follows:

That our Solicitor proceed with a charge under Section 505 (1) (a) of the Municipal Government Act against E.D. MacKinnon Trucking Limited for operation of a trucking business in an R-1 Urban Residential Zone and for an order for the company to cease carrying on that business in that zone.

MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD

Garett Beaton advised that several residents of Mountain View Road are interested in getting their road paved. It was agreed that a survey be conducted of the residents living on the road.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss a motion was made by Councillor Mallette, seconded by Deputy Warden LeBlanc that meeting adjourn at 3:25 p.m.

CLERK

WARDEN