

**MUNICIPAL COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, JULY 9, 2012
1:30 PM**

A meeting of Municipal Council of the County of Inverness was held on Monday, July 9, 2012, at 1:30 pm at the Fire Hall in Inverness with the following in attendance:

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

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

Media: Rankin MacDonald, Inverness Oran
Matt Draper, CIGO

Not Present: Councillor Daniel Boudreau

CALL TO ORDER

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by: Councillor Gloria LeBlanc
Seconded by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Carried.

**That the minutes of the Municipal Council Annual Meeting held on Monday,
June 11, 2012, be approved.**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

Page 6 – Drilling Lease – Lake Ainslie – No reply received.

Page 6 – Recreational Salmon Fishery – Margaree – No reply received.

Page 4 – Woody Chediak – Joe O'Connor read the response received from John Bain. Mr. Chediak received no building permits for the work he carried out and Mr. Bain recommends that the building be demolished.

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

That the recommendation received from John Bain that an “Order to Remedy Condition” be issued and that order be a “Demolition Order” with a 30 day notice served on Mr. Chediac.

Page 7 – Dept. of Fisheries Office Closure – Port Hood – No response received as yet.

PUBLIC HEARING

Moved by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Seconded by: Councillor Gloria LeBlanc
Carried.

That a Public Hearing be held on Thursday, July 26, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. at the Fire Hall in Port Hastings to review the application by Robert Fox of D & R Developments Limited.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

AUDIT – JUNE 8, 2012

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

Resolved that the minutes of the Audit Committee meeting of June 8, 2012, be approved and that the recommendations made to Council therein, and the motions passed therein are hereby adopted, approved and passed by Council.

PLANNING & ADVISORY – JUNE 11, 2012

Resolved that the minutes of the Planning & Advisory Committee meeting of June 11, 2012, be approved and that the recommendations made to Council therein, and the motions passed therein are hereby adopted, approved and passed by Council.

ENERGY ADVISORY COMMITTEE – JUNE 29, 2012

Resolved that the minutes of the Energy Advisory Committee meeting of June 29, 2012, be approved and that the recommendations made to Council

therein, and the motions passed therein are hereby adopted, approved and passed by Council.

PRESENTATION BY ALMON CHISHOLM – STRAIT AREA TRANSIT

Mr. Chisholm explained that the Strait Area Transit provides an effective, reliable, affordable service to the residents of Inverness County with a total of approximately 8500 trips this past year. Mr. Chisholm provided information on the daily costs in providing this service and asked that Council consider increasing their contribution to \$34,934.40.

Warden MacAulay advised that this request would be discussed further at an Audit Committee meeting.

PRESENTATION BY AL MACINNIS SPORTS CENTRE

JP Morris, President of the Al MacInnis Sports Centre provided some background information on the centre and the fundraising events which take place throughout the year.

Martha Campbell reviewed the financial cost of installing wind turbines which will cost \$335,000. per turbine. Preliminary approval has been received from NSPI with a 20 year power purchase agreement and the COMFIT application was completed in June. The proposed site for the turbines is in the Cheticamp area.

The request from the Al MacInnis Sports Centre is for the County to provide financing or guarantee a loan.

Warden MacAulay advised that this request will be discussed at an Audit Committee meeting.

PRESENTATION BY DONELDA MACDONALD, NORTH ACCESS COMMITTEE OF THE INVERNESS DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

Warden MacAulay welcomed Donelda MacDonald who provided information with respect to access to the beach in Inverness. The three mile beach in Inverness has only one access located at the south end and the group feel that the north access should be developed according to an agreement made with the community in 2000.

The committee is requesting that Municipal Council move to convene a meeting with all stakeholders to provide a long-term solution to northern access. Warden MacAulay advised that Council will set up a meeting.

PRESENTATION BY PAUL CAMPBELL

Mr. Campbell explained that he is in the process of developing affordable housing lots on Maple St. Extension and he is requesting an extension of the sewer & water.

A motion was made by Councillor Mustard, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that Council adjourn for a tour of several areas in Inverness.

Mr. Campbell provided a tour of his sub-division lots on Maple St. Extension.

Council also toured Beach Rd. #1 and the boardwalk. Lloyd Gillis provided information on the Inverness Waterfront Development Project which will consist of improvements to Beach Rd #1, the Beach Cafe, additional parking, boardwalk from Central Ave. to existing boardwalk, as well as several other improvements.

Warden MacAulay called meeting back to order at 4:20 p.m.

APPROVAL OF EXEMPT PROPERTIES

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

That the exempt properties as presented be approved.

SEE FOLLOWING PAGE

2011/12 Uniform Assessment - Exempt Organizations Deductions

**Application Form of Charitable Deduction in UA pursuant to Municipal Grants Act,
Section 14 (1) (b)**

Municipal Unit: **Municipality of the
County of Inverness**

Fiscal Year Ending: March 31, 2012

					Form A Summary	
Cheticamp Search & Rescue	1	8033900	Commercial	\$84,000.00	\$1,554.00	
Cheticamp Vol. Fire Department	1	5934974	Commercial	\$8,000.00	\$148.00	
LaSociete De St. Pierre	1	2402238	Commercial	\$318,100.00	\$5,884.85	
leclub Retrait	1	1414542	Commercial	\$58,000.00	\$1,073.00	
Pleasant Bay Vol Fire Dept.	1	3775607	Commercial	\$44,100.00	\$815.85	
LeClub Kinsmen De Cheticamp	1	578347	Commercial	\$138,400.00	\$2,568.64	
Meat Cove Fishermen's Assoc.	1	9142479	Commercial	\$76,600.00	\$1,417.10	
N. Inv. Rec. Centre Assoc. partial exemption arena	1	5357683	Commercial	\$752,500.00	\$13,922.08	
CONSEIL ECONOMIQUE DEVELOPMENT	1	10266440	Commercial	\$12,500.00	\$199.25	
CONSEIL ECONOMIQUE DEVELOPMENT	1	2154323	Commercial	\$12,500.00	\$231.25	
Friends of Whale Watch Cape Breton	1	9295267	Commercial	\$495,800.00	\$9,172.30	
Pleasant Bay Community Hall	1	889326	Commercial	\$29,000.00	\$536.50	
			DISTRICT			
			TOTAL#1	<u>\$2,029,500.00</u>	<u>\$37,522.82</u>	
LaSociete De St. Pierre	1	1414577	Residential	\$12,700.00	\$129.54	
Municipality of the County of Inverness	1	735221	Residential	\$4,800.00	\$65.79	
Municipality of the County of Inverness	1	733911	Residential	\$40,100.00	\$409.02	
LaSociete De St. Pierre	1	5951488	Residential	\$9,100.00	\$92.82	
Municipality of the County of Inverness	1	6035469	Residential	\$17,800.00	\$181.56	
			DISTRICT			
			#1 TOTAL	<u>\$84,500.00</u>	<u>\$878.73</u>	
Municipality of the County of Inverness	1	735221	Resource	\$3,800.00	\$0.01	
Municipality of the County of Inverness	1	5590884	Resource	\$600.00	\$6.13	
			DISTRICT			
			#2 TOTAL	<u>\$4,400.00</u>	<u>\$6.14</u>	
12 Step Margaree Forks	2	2131587	Commercial	\$85,200.00	\$1,576.20	
Margaree Area Development Ass.	2	3022226	Commercial	\$109,400.00	\$2,023.90	
MARGAREE CENTRE ARENA	2	10218731	Commercial	\$208,400.00	\$3,953.26	
Belle Cote & Area Community Centre	2	7956223	Commercial	\$136,600.00	\$2,527.10	
Harbour Authority of Grand Etang	2	5366755	Commercial	\$143,600.00	\$2,656.60	
Margaree Salmon Museum	2	3022331	Commercial	\$66,500.00	\$1,230.25	
Margaree Senior Citizens Club	2	3022315	Commercial	\$77,500.00	\$1,292.45	
N. E. Margaree VOL FIRE DEPT	2	3452387	Commercial	\$22,200.00	\$410.70	
N.E. Margaree Senior Citizens Club	2	3075745	Commercial	\$113,400.00	\$2,097.90	
S. W. Margaree Rec. Association	2	5719879	Commercial	\$16,900.00	\$312.65	
St. Patrick's Parish Hall	2	5990203	Commercial	\$90,600.00	\$1,676.10	
			DISTRICT			
			TOTAL#2	<u>\$1,070,300.00</u>	<u>\$19,757.11</u>	

Municipality of the County of Inverness	2	123005	Residential	\$19,900.00	\$202.98
Municipality of the County of Inverness	2	1248863	Residential	\$12,100.00	\$123.42
			DISTRICT		
			#2 TOTAL	<u>\$32,000.00</u>	<u>\$326.40</u>
Municipality of the County of Inverness	2	5357322	Resource	\$12,300.00	\$125.46
S.W. Margaree Senior Citizen Club	2	8813434	Resource	\$12,800.00	\$130.56
			DISTRICT		
			#2 TOTAL	<u>\$25,100.00</u>	<u>\$256.02</u>
Ceilidh Trail C.C. Club	3	2750147	Commercial	\$6,000.00	\$111.00
Inverness County Arena Commission	3	2146207	Commercial	\$678,400.00	\$12,550.40
Municipality of the County of Inverness	3	9535888	Commercial	\$266,400.00	\$4,928.40
Municipality of the County of Inverness	3	5525314	Commercial	\$36,500.00	\$675.25
Inverness Playground Rec. Association	3	10030803	Commercial	\$178,000.00	\$3,293.00
Inverness County Council of the Arts	3	9443770	Commercial	\$779,400.00	\$14,418.90
Inverness County Arena Commission	3	8811261	Commercial	\$83,100.00	\$1,537.35
Inverness Miners Museum	3	5281865	Commercial	\$45,400.00	\$839.90
Inverness Playground Rec. Association	3	2146312	Commercial	\$343,600.00	\$6,356.60
Lake Ainslie Historical Society	3	3393917	Commercial	\$105,500.00	\$1,951.75
			DISTRICT		
			TOTAL#3	<u>\$2,522,300.00</u>	<u>\$46,662.55</u>
Municipality of the County of Inverness	3	6285864	Residential	\$28,700.00	\$292.74
Lake Ainslie Historical Society	3	5095751	Residential	\$92,500.00	\$943.50
			DISTRICT		
			#3 TOTAL	<u>\$121,200.00</u>	<u>\$1,236.24</u>
Inverness Playground Rec. Association	3	10030803	Resource	\$36,700.00	\$0.00
			DISTRICT #3		
			TOTAL	<u>\$36,700.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
	4		Residential	\$0.00	\$0.00
			DISTRICT		
			TOTAL#4	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$0.00</u>
Masonic Hall	4	1855298	Commercial	\$59,400.00	\$1,098.90
Orangedale Community Hall	4	3621375	Commercial	\$35,900.00	\$664.15
Orangedale Improvement Association	4	5144418	Commercial	\$130,600.00	\$2,416.10
Orangedale Station Association	4	7954778	Commercial	\$190,400.00	\$3,522.40
Skye Glen Community Hall	4	4287096	Commercial	\$47,900.00	\$886.15
THE SOAPSTONE MINE, ROSEBURN, REC & COMM ASSOC.	4	1178113	Commercial	\$43,100.00	\$797.35
Valley Mills & District Vol. Fire Dept.	4	3970787	Commercial	\$89,800.00	\$1,661.30
Whycocomagh Consolidated Rec. Association	4	913227	Commercial	\$273,200.00	\$5,054.20
Whycocomagh Lions Club	4	4917642	Commercial	\$106,700.00	\$1,973.95
			DISTRICT	<u>\$977,000.00</u>	<u>\$18,074.50</u>

			TOTAL#4		
Municipality of the County of Inverness	4	7965761	Resource	\$5,000.00	\$51.00
	4	3386139	Resource	\$5,000.00	\$51.00
Whycomomagh Lions Club	4	4917642	Resource	\$11,800.00	\$120.36
			DISTRICT #4		
			TOTAL	<u>\$21,800.00</u>	<u>\$222.36</u>
Chestico Museum & Hist. Society	5	3393801	Commercial	\$23,800.00	\$440.30
Chestico Museum & Hist. Society	5	10012627	Commercial	\$37,800.00	\$699.30
Dr. John Waters Comm. Health Centre	5	1245473	Commercial	\$168,300.00	\$3,113.55
Municipality of the County of Inverness	5	5187141	Commercial	\$3,028,000.00	\$56,018.00
Glencoe Station Recreation Association	5	1725262	Commercial	\$76,300.00	\$1,411.55
Harbourview Rec. Association	5	1883666	Commercial	\$61,500.00	\$1,137.75
Municipality of the County of Inverness	5	9536515	Commercial	\$18,700.00	\$345.95
Municipality of the County of Inverness	5	2011816	Commercial	\$178,400.00	\$3,300.40
Hillsborough Hall	5	1854062	Commercial	\$45,100.00	\$834.35
Irish Road Horseman's Club	5	2147181	Commercial	\$9,900.00	\$183.15
Mabou District Athletic Club	5	2636476	Commercial	\$412,600.00	\$7,633.10
Mabou Gaelic Historical Society	5	2110555	Commercial	\$97,400.00	\$1,801.90
PORT HOOD AREA RESOURCE SOCIETY	5	4073673	Commercial	\$70,200.00	\$1,298.70
Port Hood & District Rec. Commission	5	4330307	Commercial	\$66,400.00	\$1,228.40
	5	0	Commercial	\$0.00	\$0.00
Port Hood & District Rec. Commission	5	3788806	Commercial	\$661,700.00	\$12,241.45
Port Hood Funeral Home	5	9623434	Commercial	\$7,700.00	\$142.45
Port Hood & Area Development Ass.	5	8038872	Commercial	\$312,800.00	\$5,786.80
West Mabou Development Association	5	4874757	Commercial	\$87,100.00	\$1,611.35
			DISTRICT		
			TOTAL#5	<u>\$5,363,700.00</u>	<u>\$99,228.45</u>
Alpine Snowmobilers Club	5	741272	Residential	\$8,200.00	\$83.64
Port Hood Athletic Assoc.	5	3310396	Residential	\$3,000.00	\$30.60
Port Hood Area Development	5	2131439	Residential	\$45,400.00	\$463.08
			DISTRICT		
			#5 TOTAL	<u>\$56,600.00</u>	<u>\$577.32</u>
MABOU & DISTRICT DEVEL COMM	5	9536949	Resource	\$55,000.00	\$561.00
			DISTRICT #5		
			TOTAL	<u>\$55,000.00</u>	<u>\$561.00</u>
CREIGNISH RECREATION CENTER	6	987506	Commercial	\$214,400.00	\$3,966.40
Port Hastings Historical Society& dept of transportation	6	1523333	Commercial	\$339,700.00	\$6,284.45
Judique Rec. Assoc.	6	2287781	Commercial	\$146,100.00	\$2,702.85
Celtic Music Interpretive Centre Society	6	5590728	Commercial	\$563,300.00	\$10,421.05
North Mt Cultural & Rec Centre	6	4715047	Commercial	\$27,600.00	\$510.60
Municipality of the County of Inverness	6	9081941	Commercial	\$1,189,100.00	\$21,998.35
Judique Comm. Centre Dev. Assoc.	6	8818487	Commercial	\$737,900.00	\$13,651.15
Judique on the Floor Historical Culture	6	3884546	Commercial	\$43,200.00	\$799.20
Marble Mountain Library & Museum	6	5065259	Commercial	\$20,300.00	\$375.55

West Bay Community Association	6	3397068	Commercial	\$78,700.00	\$1,455.95
			DISTRICT		
			TOTAL#6	<u>\$3,360,300.00</u>	<u>\$62,165.55</u>
Glendale area Community COOP	6	9632204	Residential	\$96,000.00	\$979.20
	6	0	Residential	\$0.00	\$0.00
			DISTRICT		
			#6 TOTAL	<u>\$96,000.00</u>	<u>\$979.20</u>
Judique Rec. Assoc.	6	2287773	Resource	\$1,300.00	\$13.26
Port Hastings Historical Society	6	9632174	Resource	\$10,300.00	\$105.06
Judique Rec. Assoc.	6	2287803	Resource	\$4,000.00	\$40.80
Municipality of the County of Inverness	6	2399016	Resource	\$15,100.00	\$154.02
Maple Brook H.O.W. Club	6	5065313	Resource	\$13,200.00	\$134.64
Port Hastings & District Rec. Assoc.	6	3788709	Resource	\$46,100.00	\$470.22
			DISTRICT #6		
			TOTAL	<u>\$90,000.00</u>	<u>\$918.00</u>
COMMERCIAL COMBINED DISTRICT TOTAL 1-6				<u>\$15,323,100.00</u>	<u>\$283,410.98</u>
RESIDENTIAL COMBINED TOTAL 1-6				<u>\$390,300.00</u>	<u>\$3,997.89</u>
RESOURCE COMBINED TOTAL 1-6				<u>\$233,000.00</u>	<u>\$1,963.52</u>

**TOTAL
COMBINED
DOLLOR
VALVE OF TAX
WRITEOFF**

\$289,372.39

FIRST READING – OFF-SITE COMMERCIAL SIGNAGE BY-LAW

Warden MacAulay advised that Planning & Advisory Committee meeting was held previous to Council where the Off-Site Commercial Signage By-Law was reviewed. The recommendation from the PAC meeting was for this by-law to be referred to Council for approval.

Moved by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Seconded by: Councillor Gloria LeBlanc
Carried.

**That the First Reading of the Off-Site Commercial Signage By-Law
be approved.**

PUBLIC HEARING

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

That a Public Hearing be held in Port Hastings on Thursday, July 26, 2012, at 6:30 p.m. to discuss the Off-Site Commercial By-Law.

SECOND READING – APPLICATION BY ROBERT FOX & D & R DEVELOPMENTS LIMITED TO AMEND THE PORT HASTINGS MUNICIPAL PLANNING STRATEGY & LAND USE BY-LAW

**Moved by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Seconded by: Deputy Warden Susan Mallette
Carried.**

That the Second Reading of the application by Robert Fox & D & R Developments Limited be set over to the next Council meeting on July 26, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in Port Hastings.

UNSIGHTLY PREMISES – PROPERTY OF GERALD WYRWAS – INVERNESS

Joe O'Connor reviewed the correspondence received from Sean Donovan, EDPC, in which he recommends that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued and that the Order be a Demolition Order.

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

That Mr. Wyrwas be notified inviting him to appear before the September Municipal Council meeting where Council will consider the demolition order.

CORRESPONDENCE

UNSM – OWNER-OPERATOR FLEET SEPARATION POLICIES

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

That correspondence be forwarded to the Federal Minister of Fisheries requesting that the Owner-Operator Fleet Separation Policies not be terminated.

CBC – FREE OVER-THE-AIR TV SERVICE

Information was received from the UNSM with respect to the CBC shutting off free over-the-air TV service everywhere in Nova Scotia except Halifax. It was agreed that we get more information from the CRTC.

INTERIM DRAFT REPORT RE TOWNS TASK FORCE

The Interim Draft Report from the Towns Task Force was provided to Council for review with a request from the UNSM that each Council respond to the Task Force with comments by July 31, 2012.

CABOT LINKS/ INRICH PROPERTY PURCHASE

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

That the County provide a Release of the Restrictive Covenants to InRich CBDC.

PETITIONS AND RESOLUTIONS

DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Moved by: Councillor Jim Mustard
Seconded by: Councillor Gloria LeBlanc
Carried.

That correspondence be forwarded to the DOT requesting that the Broad Cove Marsh Road be widened and a no parking sign be installed in front of the cable building on Veterans Memorial Court in Inverness.

ROAD NAME CHANGES – GOLDEN SHORE LANE & TRANQUIL SHORE ROAD

Moved by: Councillor Dwayne MacDonald
Seconded by: Councillor Gloria LeBlanc
Carried.

That the request from the residents of “Unnamed Road” located in West Bay for road to be named “Golden Shore Lane” and the request from the residents of “Ians Lane” for road to be re-named “Tranquil Shore Road” be approved.

SOUTHERN INVERNESS COUNTY FOOD PRODUCTION CO-OP

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

That a letter of support be provided to the Southern Inverness County Food Production Co-op.

HOLIDAY GARBAGE COLLECTION

Councillor Gloria LeBlanc requested that the Director of Public Works and Joe O'Connor review the change in garbage collection on holidays.

DERELICT BOAT – MARGAREE HABROUR

Councillor Gloria LeBlanc requested that a letter be forwarded to Farron Fraser owner of this derelict boat asking for information on his plans to remove this boat.

TENDERS – HARBOURVIEW SEWER PROJECT

Joe O'Connor advised that the tenders for the Harbourview Sewer Project closed on Friday, June 29th and negotiations are being carried out with the lowest bidder. Mr. O'Connor will have more information for the next Council meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

With no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Councillor LeBlanc, seconded by Councillor MacDonald that meeting adjourn.

CLERK

WARDEN