

Committee of the Whole Meeting
Thursday May 16th, 2019
10am
Council Chambers

Council: Warden Betty Ann MacQuarrie
Councillor Jim Mustard
Councillor Laurie Cranton (arrived 10:06)
Councillor John MacLennan

Regrets: Deputy Warden Alfred Poirier
Councillor John Dowling

Staff: Keith MacDonald, CAO
Donna MacDonald, Director of Recreation/Tourism
Erin Gillis, Occupational Health & Safety Specialist
Ellen Murphy, Administrative Assistant

Warden MacQuarrie called the meeting to order at 10:07am.

CDC – NORTH MOUNTAIN CULTURE & RECREATION ASSOCIATION - Recommendation to council that funding in the amount of \$2500 from District 6 discretionary funds, be approved.

ONE CAPE BRETON – Recommendation to council that Councillor Mustard sit on the action team.

Warden MacQuarrie congratulated Councillor Cranton on the award from Nova Scotia Union of Municipalities through his work with the Provincial Accessibility Committee.

NSDOTIR UPDATE - Attached

Recess for lunch at 12:06pm

RAYMOND PLOURDE, ECOLOGY ACTION WILDERNESS COORDINATOR – This presentation was bringing to council's attention all the effects that the effluent of Northern Pulp has on Boat Harbour, Pictou County. The emission stacks are still failing emissions tests. There are 70-90 million litres of pollution running into Boat Harbour which is the most toxic in the country. Over 3500 people rallied against Northern Pulp last summer including all the First Nations Chiefs from across the province. It is damaging not only forestry, but fishing, tourism and the environment also. Mr. Plourde was asking council to rescind the letter that had been written back in March supporting Northern Pulp.

EDPC MINIMUM PLANNING REQUIREMENTS – Council will provide feedback to John Bain, Eastern District Planning Commission in time to send it to the Province of Nova Scotia for the June 28th, 2019 deadline.

LEMOINE FIRE DEPARTMENT LOAN GUARANTEE – Removed from the agenda. A donation was received and the fire department no longer requires a loan guarantee.

PORT HASTINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT LOAN GUARANTEE – Recommendation to council that the loan guarantee in the amount of \$110,000.00, be approved.

INVERNESS CONSOLIDATED MEMORIAL HOSPITAL & SACRED HEAR HOSPITAL INTEREST – Recommendation to council that the interest for each hospital, \$1742.71 and \$2847.26 consecutively, be approved.

STAFF REPORTS –

CAO, Keith MacDonald went through the Dillon Consulting report on municipal infrastructure. Council will need to decide on a budget for the repair and replacement of this infrastructure.

Next Committee of the Whole Meeting - Thursday June 20th 2019 at 10am.

Recess 2:54pm
Back in session at 3:02pm

“IN CAMERA” at 3:02pm
Back in regular session at 4:05pm

Recommendation to council that an easement be granted to Breanna MacDonnell over municipal property located at PID 50049063.

Consensus to adjourn at 4:07pm