

Regular Council Meeting  
Council Chambers  
Thursday June 6, 2019  
1:30pm

Council: Warden Betty Ann MacQuarrie  
Deputy Warden Alfred Poirier  
Councillor John MacLennan  
Councillor Laurie Cranton (via teleconference)  
Councillor Jim Mustard (via teleconference)  
Councillor John Dowling

Staff: Keith MacDonald, CAO  
Maurice Boudreau, Solicitor EMM Law  
Donna MacDonald, Director of Recreation/Tourism  
Tanya Tibbo, Director of Finance  
Aaron MacDonald, Procurement Officer  
Jenna Beernink, Human Resource Specialist  
Ellen Murphy, Administrative Assistant  
Lynne MacLennan, Economic Development Officer, Cape Breton Partnership

A moment of silence was observed in honour of the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the D-Day invasion.

Warden MacQuarrie called the meeting to order at 1:30pm.

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

**MOVED:** Councillor MacLennan  
**SECONDED:** Councillor Dowling  
**MOTION:** That the agenda be approved.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Poirier  
**SECONDED:** Councillor MacLennan  
**MOTION:** That the Regular Council minutes of May 2nd, 2019 be approved.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**MOVED:** Councillor MacLennan  
**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Poirier  
**MOTION:** That the Committee of the Whole minutes of May 16th, 2019 be approved.  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**BUSINESS ARISING** No business arising.

## **BAYVIEW EDUCATION CENTRE STUDENTS**

Six grade 7 and 8 students spoke regarding the placement of bicycle racks, crosswalks and traffic lights in the community of Port Hood surrounding the Bayview Education Centre.

## **NORTH MOUNTAIN CULTURAL CENTRE**

**MOVED:** Councillor Dowling

**SECONDED:** Councillor MacLennan

**MOTION:** To approve funding from District 6 Community Development Funds for the North Mountain Culture and Recreation Centre in the amount of \$2500.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **ONE CAPE BRETON UNAMA'KI ACTION TEAM**

**MOVED:** Deputy Warden Poirier

**SECONDED:** Councillor Cranton

**MOTION:** That Councillor Mustard be appointed to the One Cape Breton Unama'ki Action Team.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **PORT HASTINGS FIRE DEPARTMENT LOAN GUARANTEE**

**MOVED:** Councillor Dowling

**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Poirier

**MOTION:** To approve a loan guarantee for the Port Hastings Fire Department in the amount of \$110,000.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## **INTEREST WRITE OFFS – INVERNESS CONSOLIDATED MEMORIAL HOSPITAL AND SACRED HEART HOSPITAL**

**MOVED:** Councillor Cranton

**SECONDED:** Councillor Dowling

**MOTION:** Interest Amounts to be written off:  
Inverness Consolidate Memorial Hospital: \$1742.71  
Sacred Heart Hospital: \$2847.26  
That the above interest write offs be approved.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## EASEMENT FOR BREANNA MACDONNELL OVER MUNICIPAL PROPERTY

**MOVED:** Councillor Dowling  
**SECONDED:** Councillor MacLennan  
**MOTION:** That Council table the motion to grant an easement for Breanna MacDonnell over Municipal Property upon further examination of the property with Municipal staff to view a possible existing driveway.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## ROAD NAME REQUEST

**MOVED:** Councillor Dowling  
**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Poirier  
**MOTION:** To approve the road naming of Chemin Pond du Bras Road, Point Cross.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## CHRITABLE EXEMPT PROPERTIES

**MOVED:** Councillor Mustard  
**SECONDED:** Councillor MacLennan  
**MOTION:** To approve the charitable exemption for not-for-profit organizations for the 2019-2020 fiscal year in the amount of \$338,533.77.

**MOTION CARRIED**

## GENERAL OPERATING BUDGET

**MOTION:** RESOLVED that pursuant to Section 72 of the Municipal Government Act, of the Province of Nova Scotia, the Municipal Council of the Municipality of the County of Inverness hereby authorize the levying and collection of a commercial property rate of \$1.91 and a residential and resource rate of \$1.05 per one hundred dollars of the assessed value of property and on the assessment roll which the said Council deems sufficient to raise the sum required to defray the expenditures of the said Municipality which amount to \$16,963,900.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the area rates be established as follows in the following areas:

Sewer Area Rates

Sewer Services Area Rate (Districts 3-6)	\$ 0.33	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Sewer Services Area Rate (District 1)	\$ 0.34	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>

District 1

Cheticamp Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Cheticamp Volunteer Fire Department (Commercial)	\$ 0.06	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Pleasant Bay Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 125.00	<i>Per Dwelling Unit</i>
Meat Cove Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 60.00	<i>Per Dwelling Unit</i>

District 2

LeMoine Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.08	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
LeMoine Volunteer Fire Department (Commercial)	\$ 0.05	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
North East Margaree Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Margaree Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Margaree Volunteer Fire Department (Commercial)	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>

District 3

Inverness Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.08	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
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District 4

Whycocomagh Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Lake Ainslie/Upper Margaree Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Valley Mills Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Blues Mills Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.05	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>

District 5

Mabou Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 100.00	<i>Per Dwelling Unit (Max. \$200)</i>
Port Hood Island VFD Building Area Rate	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Port Hood Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Port Hood Volunteer Fire Department (Commercial)	\$ 0.06	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>

District 6

Port Hastings Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
West Bay Road Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>
Judique Volunteer Fire Department	\$ 0.10	<i>Per \$100 of Assessment</i>

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Council hereby require payment of the said rates to be made to the Tax Collector or Treasurer of the said Municipality on August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the said Council hereby impose an additional percentage of one percent per month on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid after August 30<sup>th</sup>, 2019.

FURTHER RESOLVED that the Council fixes April 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020 as the day after which the tax collector may proceed to issue warrants for the collection on all rates and taxes then unpaid.

That the Operating budget for the year ending March 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 be approved.

**MOVED:** Councillor Mustard  
**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Poirier  
**MOTION CARRIED**

**CAPITAL PURCHASE - FORKLIFT**

**MOVED:** Councillor MacLennan

**SECONDED:** Councillor Dowling

**MOTION:** That the purchase of a forklift in the amount of \$91,425.00, to be funded through the Capital Reserve be approved by Council.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**CAPITAL PURCHASE - MAINTENANCE**

**BUILDINGS**

**MOVED:** Councillor Dowling

**SECONDED:** Deputy Warden Poirier

**MOTION:** To approve the purchase three metal storage units at a total cost of \$160,000, to be funded through the Capital Reserve.

**MOTION CARRIED**

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING:** Thursday July 4<sup>th</sup>, 2019 at 1:30pm in municipal council chambers.

**Consensus to adjourn at 3:58pm**