

Regular Council Meeting
Thursday September 5, 2019
1:30pm
Chéticamp Fire Hall

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

Staff: Keith MacDonald, CAO
Maurice Boudreau, Solicitor EMM Law
Tanya Tibbo, Director of Finance
Debbie Nicholson, Administrative Assistant to Council
Karolyn Aucoin, Communications and Community Engagement Specialist

Warden MacQuarrie called the meeting to order at 1:30pm. She introduced 2 guests in attendance: Louis Joseph Maillet, a World War 2 veteran and Raymond Chiasson, a Korean War veteran.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: Deputy Warden Poirier
SECONDED: Councillor Dowling
MOTION: That the agenda be amended. Addition to the agenda:
Approval of the Consolidated Financial Statements for 2018 -2019.

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED: Councillor Mustard
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That the agenda be approved as amended. Addition to the agenda:
Approval of the Consolidated Financial Statements for 2018 -2019.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

MOVED: Deputy Warden Poirier
SECONDED: Councillor Cranton
MOTION: That the Regular Council minutes of August 1st, 2019 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED: Councillor MacLennan
SECONDED: Councillor Cranton
MOTION: That the committee of the whole minutes of August 15th, 2019 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED: Councillor Dowling
SECONDED: Councillor Mustard
MOTION: That the Special Meeting of Council minutes of August 27th, 2019 be approved.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING

Clarification on the source of funding for a solid waste packer purchase for the Municipality: *This will be covered once the motion is presented at today's meeting.*

Questions and answer following presentations: Remarks are not typically noted in the minutes. *At our next Committee of the Whole we can review this practice.*

Chéticamp experienced an odour appearing to be coming from the sewage outfall pipe. *Staff will be addressing this issue next week.*

Status of Judique fire hydrants, County fire chiefs meeting, and skirting for Mountainview Drive. *A number of new hydrants have been purchased for Judique, staff are scheduling for repair and replacement. The skirting project for Mountainview Drive is budgeted. Staff will be reaching out to paving companies. A fire chiefs meeting will be arranged once the new Director of Infrastructure and Emergency Services is in place.*

PRESENTATIONS

MUNICIPAL FLOOD LINE MAPPING: EVA MOOERS

Eva Mooers is a water resource engineer with the Department of Municipal Affairs. She spoke about the Municipal Flood Line Mapping Project. The purpose of this project is to remove barriers for municipalities in the creation of up to date flood mapping through the development of Provincial Specifications and Guidance. The province intends to hire a consultant to prepare a flood hazard mapping study for the Margaree area. The province will conduct the RFP process and evaluate proposals and finance the study. The Municipality is welcome to participate in this process and evaluate submissions. *Presentation attached to the minutes*

DEPARTMENT OF MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS – ROSS MACDONALD

Ross MacDonald is on the Municipal Advisory team with the Department of Municipal Affairs. He spoke on his past roles with the Province of Nova Scotia. He is looking forward to working with the Municipality, facing challenges, finding resources, and bringing concerns forward. Council mentioned key concerns such as infrastructure and roads.

BEFORE AND AFTER CARE PROGRAM – DONNA MACDONALD AND MELANIE BEATON

Donna MacDonald and Melanie Beaton spoke on the Before and After Care Program. Representatives from the Department of Communities, Cultures and Heritage (CCH) approached Municipal staff in late July to assess interest and capacity to become a Before and After Program (BAP) delivery partner. The Municipality was asked if there is interest in administrating this program. Concern was raised among Council that communities and Municipal staff are being downloaded with this task. Consensus was reached to have additional discussion with staff on this item.

ALLAN J MACEACHEN AIRPORT GOVERNANCE

The new terms of reference for governance of the Allan J MacEachen Airport was presented.

MOVED: Councillor Dowling

SECONDED: Councillor Cranton

MOTION: That Council approve the terms of reference for the Allan J MacEachen Airport with the exclusion of item # 9.

MOTION CARRIED

A recommendation for the formation of a steering committee for air transportation in Cape Breton was made by Councillor Cranton.

J CLASS ROADS

The list of J Class roads was presented. All councillors will review the list, and bring their main priorities back to the next Committee of the Whole Meeting. Council will rank them and forward a list of priorities to the Department of Transportation.

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE

INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY MOU

MOVED: Councillor Dowling

SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan

MOTION: That Council move forward with the Information Technology Memorandum of Understanding.

MOTION CARRIED

PROPOSED ROAD NAME

MOVED: Councillor Cranton
SECONDED: Councillor Dowling
MOTION: That Council approve the naming of an unnamed road on Port Hood Island to be Tobey Lane.

MOTION CARRIED

NS TIR COST SHARED AGREEMENT

MOVED: Deputy Warden Poirier
SECONDED: Councillor Cranton
MOTION: That Council approve that a letter be sent to the Minister of Transportation and copied to the Deputy Minister, and to Steve MacDonald that roads in serious condition be addressed by NS TIR.

MOTION CARRIED

SOLID WASTE PACKER

MOVED: Councillor MacLennan
SECONDED: Deputy Warden Poirier
MOTION: That Council approve the purchase of a solid waste packer at an estimated maximum cost of \$225,000.00, with funds coming from the gas tax.

MOTION CARRIED

LEMOINE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

MOVED: Councillor Cranton
SECONDED: Deputy Warden Poirier
MOTION: That Council approve funding of \$6,000.00 for the LeMoine Rescue Center Improvements, with funding from District 2 CDC funds.

MOTION CARRIED

MARGAREE SALMON ASSOCIATION – BERM REMEDIATION

MOVED: Deputy Warden Poirier
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That Council approve funding of \$20,000.00 for the Margaree Salmon Association – Berm Remediation with funding from Regional CDC funds.

MOTION CARRIED

MARGAREE SALMON ASSOCIATION – BARRIER FREE ACCESSIBLE WHARF

MOVED: Councillor Cranton
SECONDED: Councillor Dowling
MOTION: That Council approve funding of \$9,000.00 for the Margaree Salmon Association – Barrier Free Accessible Wharf with funding from Recreation Facility Funds (\$4500.00) and District 2 CDC funds (\$4500.00)

MOTION CARRIED

LAKE AINLSIE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

MOVED: Deputy Warden Poirier
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That Council approve funding of \$6421.00 for the Lake Ainslie Historical Society with funding from District 4 CDC Funds.

MOTION CARRIED

PRINCEVILLE UNITED CHURCH

MOVED: Councillor Dowling
SECONDED: Deputy Warden Poirier
MOTION: That Council approve funding of \$2700.00 for the Princeville United Church with funding from District 6 Discretionary Funds.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF THE 2018-2019 CONSOLIDATED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

MOVED: Councillor Mustard
SECONDED: Councillor Dowling
MOTION: That Council approve the 2018-2019 consolidated financial statements.
MOTION CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PLANNING AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE

CHÉTICAMP DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT

MOVED: Councillor Cranton
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That Council approve second reading for the Chéticamp Development Agreement (15559 Cabot Trail, PID # 50095678).

MOTION CARRIED

INVERNESS COUNTY SUBDIVISION BY-LAW REVIEW

MOVED: Councillor Dowling
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That Council approve second reading for the Inverness County Subdivision By-Law Review.

MOTION CARRIED

AGRICULTURAL LAND USE PLANNING

MOVED: Councillor Mustard
SECONDED: Deputy Warden Poirier
MOTION: That Council invites Victoria County representatives to a meeting to discuss agricultural land use.

MOTION CARRIED

WIND TURBINE BY-LAW REVIEW

MOVED: Councillor Dowling
SECONDED: Councillor MacLennan
MOTION: That Council approve to not engage in a comprehensive review of the wind turbine document at this time, but rather to integrate the issue into the preparation of a comprehensive land use plan for the Municipality as required by changes to the Municipal Government Act (Bill 58).

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE

Communities in Bloom Symposium

Deputy Warden Poirier will consider attending the symposium in late September in Yarmouth.

Canadian Union of Postal Workers

Council encourages asking political representatives in the days leading up to the federal election of their intentions on maintenance of rural mail delivery.

British Home Children

Council agrees to have a tribute at the bench at the Municipal Building dedicated to British Home Children, to be held at the next Committee of the Whole meeting.

Next Council Meeting: Thursday, October 3, 2019

No "in camera"

Consensus to adjourn at 3:49 pm