# Municipality of the County of Inverness Special Meeting of Council Thursday, November 5th, 2020 7:00 pm Judique Community Centre

Council: Councillor Alfred Poirier

Councillor Laurie Cranton Councillor Bonny MacIsaac Councillor John MacLennan Councillor Lynn Chisholm Councillor Catherine Gillis

Staff: Keith MacDonald, CAO

Tanya Tibbo, Director of Finance

Donna MacDonald, Director of Tourism and Culture Christine Murray, Manager of Legal and Governance

Melanie Beaton, Special Projects Facilitator

Debbie Nicholson, Administrative Assistant to Council

Legal Counsel Maurice Boudreau, EMM Law

#### CALL TO ORDER

CAO Keith MacDonald called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm and welcomed all in attendance. Roll call was taken. Acknowledgement was made that the land on which we gather this evening is located in the ancestral and unceded territory of the Mi'kmag people.

## **SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

Justice of the Peace, Lynn van de Ven administered the Oath of Allegiance and of Office to the newly elected Councillors:

District # 1 – Alfred Poirier

District # 2 – Laurie Cranton

District # 3 – Bonny MacIsaac

District # 4 – John MacLennan

District # 5 – Lynn Chisholm

District # 6 – Catherine Gillis

# **CODE OF CONDUCT**

The newly elected Councillors signed Appendix "A" to the Council Code of Conduct Policy: Statement of Commitment to Council Code of Conduct.

#### APPOINTMENT OF WARDEN

Nominations were received from the floor for the Office of Warden of the Municipality of the County of Inverness.

Councillor Cranton nominated Councillor Gillis for the Office of Warden; Councillor Gillis respectfully declined the nomination.

Councillor Chisholm nominated Councillor Cranton for the Office of Warden, seconded by Councillor Gillis; Councillor Cranton accepted the nomination.

Councillor MacLennan nominated Councillor Poirier for the Office of Warden, seconded by Councillor MacIsaac; Councillor Poirier accepted the nomination.

With no further nominations for the Office of Warden, nominations closed. Council voted and Councillor Cranton was declared the Warden. Warden Cranton took over as meeting chair.

#### APPOINTMENT OF DEPUTY WARDEN

Nominations were received from the floor for the Office of Deputy Warden of the Municipality of the County of Inverness.

Councillor MacLennan nominated Councillor MacIsaac for the Office of Deputy Warden, seconded by Councillor Gillis; Councillor MacIsaac accepted the nomination. With no further nominations, Councillor MacIsaac was declared the Deputy Warden and was sworn in.

## APPOINTMENT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

MOVED: Councillor Gillis SECONDED: Councillor Chisholm

**MOTION**: That the Committee of the Whole make up the nominating committee.

MOTION CARRIED

#### SIGNING AUTHORITY

MOVED: Councillor Gillis SECONDED: Councillor MacIsaac

MOTION: That Council continue with the policy of the Warden, Chief Administrative

Officer and Director of Finance to have signing authority.

**MOTION CARRIED** 

#### **NEXT MEETING DATE:**

Regular Monthly Council: November 12th, 2020 1:30 pm

# ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: Councillor MacLennan

MOTION: That Council adjourn at 7:37 pm

MOTION CARRIED