

**Municipality of the District of St. Mary's
Regular Council Meeting
Monday July 14, 2014**

MEETING, DATE & TIME:

The regular meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order at 7:00pm on July 14th in the Council Chambers, Sherbrooke, NS.

ATTENDING:

Warden Mosher	Deputy Warden Clark
Councillor Kaiser-Kirk	Councillor Baker
Councillor Pye	Councillor Findlay
Solicitor, Adam Rodgers	

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

David Gillis, Municipal Clerk
Marian Fraser, Finance Office/Deputy Clerk
Jody Cook, Administrative Assistant

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

Councillor Dort

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ANY ADDITIONS:

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER COUNCIL APPROVED AGENDA AS PRESENTED WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS TO OTHER MATTERS OF BUSINESS, a.
LETTER OF SUPPORT
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BAKER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR FINDLAY COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FROM JUNE 9, 2014
MOTION CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REGULAR MEETING HELD ON JUNE 9th, 2014

- Old industrial Arts building ; Clerk reported the survey has been completed and draft sent
- Looking forward to Councillor Dort's FCM report
- Tax Sale update; hoping to start in process in September having sale by mid winter

TENDERS: Clerk opened and read

a. **Council Table – 1 submission:**

1. Tate Construction - \$22,260.00 plus HST – discussion on previous prices, completion schedule, budgeted \$14,000 from general accumulated surplus, supporting local work. Council agreed to defer decision to Committee of the Whole meeting on Wednesday.

b. **Construction and Demolition Burial – 2 submissions:**

1. Doug Richard Backhoe and Trucking \$23,845.00 Plus HST
 2. G F. MacDonald and Sons \$24,900 plus HST
- Both meet criteria

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE, THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE TENDER BID FROM DOUG RICHARD BACKHOE AND TRUCKING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$23,845 PLUS HST FOR THE BURIAL OF THE CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION SITE AT MUNICIPAL TRANSFER STATION.

MOTION CARRIED

c. Recplex Roof – 1 submission:

1. Tate Construction Ltd. - \$109,600.00 plus HST
- Discussion was held on color being more expensive and securing the facility's condition to ensure sustainability for the community.
- Recreation Coordinator received facility grant from Health and Wellness in the amount of \$30,000 and \$30,000 will be taken from Gas Tax Fund, balance to be paid from Municipal General Capital Fund.
- Check on snow stops

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE THAT COUNCIL ACCEPT THE TENDER BID FROM TATE CONSTRUCTION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$109,600 FOR RECPLEX ROOF REPLACEMENT

MOTION CARRIED

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. Thank you – St. Mary's Shooters Association
- b. Thank you – St. Mary's Scholarship recipient

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS:

- a. Casual Administrative Assistant Position

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER COUNCIL HIRED MELANIE MILLS AS CASUAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT POSITION

MOTION CARRIED

- b. New Build Canada Fund Project Resolution

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER, THAT COUNCIL SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS TO THE BUILD CANADA FUND IN ORDER OF PRIORITY; 1. HOSPITAL ROAD EMERGENCY ACCESS, 2. SHERBROOKE WATER UTILITY UPGRADES

- Sidewalks do not qualify
- Council may add another project at later date

MOTION CARRIED

NEW BUSINESS

- a. 1st Quarter Update EMO Plan Report
- Discussion – questions will be answered by staff; don't want to hold them up.

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR PYE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER TO ACCEPT EMO PLAN UPDATE REPORT AND RELEASE 1st QUARTER PAYMENT

MOTION CARRIED

SOLICITORS REPORT

- a. Industrial Arts building – A draft agreement of purchase of sale and copy of survey and subdivision was sent to Carole Gartside representing the fire department. Waiting on

subdivision approval. Closing date is scheduled for end of August but will move it up if ready before then.

- b. Provided council with a refresher on conflict of interest.
- Anyone living in same household; spouse, children and their spouse who may have financial interest in project /issue, Councillor must declare conflict. A breach of conflict has dramatic ramifications of out of office. Example of the Goldmine development if your spouse is going to work there, it must be declared.

FINANCE OFFICER/DEPUTY CLERK REPORT

- a. Financial Statements for Period Ending June 30th 2014 – soon time for another in depth review

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER, COUNCIL APPROVED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR PERIOD ENDING JUNE 30TH, 2014.

MOTION CARRIED

- b. Staff member will be attending Recreation and Leisure Services program online through Canadore College self-funded. She is requesting letter of support from council to apply for grants to assist in the cost; UNSM Women in Local Government and Recreation Development via Health and Wellness

ON MOTION OF COUNCILOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE THAT COUNCIL PROVIDE LETTER OF SUPORT FOR RECREATION COORDINATOR TO APPLY FOR FUNDING TO ASSIST HER RECREATION AND LEISURE SERVICES COURSE INDEAVOURS THROUGH CANADORE COLLEGE

- Mr. Rodgers clarified by providing letter of support does not imply full time employment

OTHER MATTERS OF BUSINESS

Councillor Kaiser-Kirk

- Nothing to report

Councillor Findlay

- Attended RFD Announcement for Recplex
- Street Light petition
- Canada Day festivities
- Golf Tour in support of Sherbrooke Fire Department
- Summer Staff interviews
- Grade 3 presentation on Local Government
- Sherbrooke village Commission finance meetings
- Open houses for DDI Group
- Bear problem
- Lions hall is applying for new horizons grant for upgrades

Councillor Pye

- DDI Group open houses; very well attended and well received by constituents
- Recplex Roof Funding announcement
- Attended AGM of Eastern Fishermen Federation discussion on Open Pen fish farms with fisheries minister
- Canada Day festivities
- Golf Tour in support of Sherbrooke Fire Department

Warden Mosher

- Thank you for support in attendance by councillors, staff and public at DDI Groupmeetings
- Mayors and Wardens – port development
- AGM of Eastern Fishermen Federation hosted by Guysborough County Inshore Fishermans Association

Clerk

- Invited to Offshore Aquaculture meeting in Guysborough

Deputy Warden Clark

- Attended Mayors and Wardens on behalf of Warden Mosher to deal with the dropping of rail service from St. Peters to Sydney. They are subsidized from the Province and Mayor is working hard to develop plan for the port, looking for support from the region to have a year's extension to give time to build a business case. Council's consensus was to support via letter to Minister.

Councillor Baker

- Nothing to report

**ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE, COUNCIL MOVED TO IN CAMERA SESSION FOR DISCUSSION ON REQUEST OF LETTER OF SUPPORT
ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR PYE, COUNCIL RECONVENED TO REGULAR SESSION**

- Deputy Warden Clark added that the report of recommendation s has been released by aquaculture panel and sessions are being held in Tatamagouche and Baddeck
- A complaint has been submitted to MLA regarding the non-painted lines on #7 Highway.

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:38PM

Approved By:

Recorded By:

Warden Mosher

Administrative Assistant