

**Municipality of the District of St. Mary's  
Regular Meeting  
Monday April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**MEETING, DATE & TIME:**

The regular meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was held April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2013 commencing at 6:00 pm in the Council Chambers, Sherbrooke, NS.

**ATTENDING:**

Warden David Clark	Deputy Warden Michael Mosher
Councillor Jacqueline Dort	Councillor Peggy Kaiser-Kirk
Councillor Everett G. Baker	
Adam Rodgers, Solicitor	

**ABSENT:**

Councillor Debbie Findlay  
Councillor Kevin Pye

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

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

**PRESENTATION: Goldworx**

John Cameron- VP Customer Relations and Lance Hooper – President & CEO

Mr. Lance Hooper provided council with a power point presentation which included his personal background and experience, trend of Gold prices and history of Goldenville and its potential. The Acadian Gold Files Technical Report on Goldenville Resource Estimate from March 2005 states: GOLDENVILLE RESOURCE ESTIMATE STANDS AT 40,517 OUNCES INDICATED PLUS 259,257 OUNCES INFERRED. Through their experienced management team, and advisors with a solid history of success, Goldworx has an objective to bring a small mine online with less than \$25 million in Capital. He explained his private company's mining objectives though timeline of events such as; exploration, public consultations, baseline studies, permitting, construction and mining in 2014 and 2015. Goldworx will be picking up this Goldenville project at the feasibility stages, to complete the business plan by end of 2013. Their focus is on sections where it has been previously mined, aimed to completely detoxify reprocessed tailings keeping a low footprint. Defined Objectives were stated as follows;

- To define 50,000oz of early ore in initial 3 years of production
- Define extraction processes and recovery rates
- Adhere to all levels of government Environmental regulations, minimizing footprint
- Secure access to conduct advanced exploration
- Agreement with landowners; already optioned a 192 acre property

**Discussion:**

- Warden Clark asked about the outcome of the recent public consultation held in Goldenville; Mr. Hooper explained it was well received with comments brought forward around water wells, job opportunities etc.
- Councillor Kaiser-Kirk asked why the Goldenville mine closed and Mr. Hooper explained it was due to combination of economics, the war, the unlimited amount of supplies, and larger mines

formed in other areas in Canada. Also lance commented on the rich history showcased by the Goldenville Historical Society.

- Councillor Dort inquired about the amount of job creation; Mr. Hooper's response was an estimate of 30-50 people along with the use of local services, and mentioned the St. FX University's Geology Department. This number will be quantified once prefeasibility is defined.

#### **Councillor Pye joined the meeting**

Deputy Warden Mosher suggested a letter of Thanks be written to Goldworx as it seems promising to the area.

#### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ANY ADDITIONS:**

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER COUNCIL APPROVED AGENDA AS PRESENTED  
MOTION CARRIED**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR PYE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES FROM REGULAR MEETING HELD ON MARCH 11th, 2013  
MOTION CARRIED.**

#### **Business arising:**

- Marie Joseph Community Centre and status of title change discussed. Mr. Rodgers to contact Mr. Fancy regarding closing date for property

#### **Correspondence:**

- a. Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities Spring Workshop 2013

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE, COUNCIL APPROVED FOR TWO COUNCILLORS TO ATTEND UNSM SPRING WORKSHOP IN YARMOUTH  
MOTION CARRIED**

- b. Nova Scotia Planning Directors Association Annual Conference

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE COUNCIL APPROVED FOR CHRISTA WEBBER, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER AND ONE OTHER STAFF MEMBER TO ATTEND THE NS PLANNING CONFERENCE IN HALIFAX.  
MOTION CARRIED**

- c. Hunger Awareness Week – Proclamation

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER THAT COUNCIL DECLARES MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> – May 10<sup>th</sup> AS HUNGER AWARENESS WEEK IN THE MUNICIPALITY OF THE DISTRICT OF ST MARYS  
MOTION CARRIED**

- d. St. Mary's Education Centre/ Academy – Year Book Advertising

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BAKER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK, THAT COUNCIL ADVERTISE A FULL PAGE IN THE ST. MARY'S SCHOOL YEAR BOOK.  
MOTION CARRIED**

**Reports:**

- a. Building Update:
  - Discussion on Change Order #13 on pricing and travel time charged

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR BAKER AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DORT, COUNCIL ACCEPTS CHANGE ORDER #13.**

**ONE NAY VOTE – COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK  
MOTION CARRIED**

- b. Municipal Finance Corporation – Mrs. Fraser reported the letter of intent is containing the borrowing term and amortization is required by April 19<sup>th</sup>. A special council meeting has been set for the purpose of final decision/motion.

- c. Committee of the Whole Update

Appointment of Community Development Officer

**ON RECOMMENDATION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY DEPUTY WARDEN MOSHER TO HIRE CHRISTA REA WEBBER FOR THE POSITION OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER AT SALARY LEVEL STEP 3 OF THE SALARY RANGE AND A START DATE OF APRIL 2<sup>ND</sup>, 2013 FOR A ONE YEAR TERM WITH A 6 MONTH PROBATION PERIOD.**

**MOTION CARRIED.**

Appointment of Recreation Coordinator

**ON RECOMMENDATION OF COUNCILLOR FINDLAY AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER- KIRK TO HIRE KERRI PENNEY FOR THE POSITION OF RECREATION COORDINATOR AT A SALARY LEVEL STEP 2 OF THE SALARY RANGE AND START DATE OF APRIL 8<sup>TH</sup>, 2013 FOR A ONE YEAR TERM, WITH A 6 MONTH PROBATION PERIOD.**

**TWO NAY VOTES - WARDEN CLARK AND DEPUTY WARDEN MOSHER; FELT THE EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS WERE NOT MET, YET WILL HELP HER IN HER ENDEAVOURS  
MOTION CARRIED.**

**Solicitors Report**

Mr. Rodgers reviewed a few items;

- The Port Bickerton Lighthouse Property lease can be signed at any time.
- Reviewed the water utility agreement for shared services and pointed out any equipment that gets lent to other units and get damaged, the owner is liable

**Other Matters of Business**

**Councillor Baker**

- flooring has been ordered for the Library
- Met with Department of Transport to voice concerns regarding the speed of slow plows and how signs were knocked away.

**Deputy Warden Mosher**

- Nothing to report

**Finance Officer/Deputy Clerk**

- Reviewed upcoming Committee of the Whole dates
- Reported that herself and Municipal Clerk met with both new employees

**Councillor Kaiser-Kirk**

- Added to the Snow Plow complaint regarding speed
- Attended blessing of the fleets for the start of fishing season
- Zumba for girls program at the highschool
- Attended the Collaborative Emergency Centre meeting held by GASHA and was very impressed by local participation. The public wants to remain status quo with two doctors, do not want CEC and are concerned with paramedics not at full capacity. Discussion was held on how Sherbrooke doesn't want a CEC and the hopes are that GASHA listens.
- A letter of thanks to be sent to St. Martha's Hospital to Ms. Millet and cc MLA Jim Boudreau; council is pleased with the turnout and would like to see operation continue as before.

Councillor Dort

- Backhoe situation; Clerk explained that parts have been ordered and Manager of Transfer Station does not foresee any issues until it is returned
- Noted that ATV tires can still be sent to Guysborough until new tire program

Councillor Pye

- Guysborough Municipality has purchased a new Zamboni and is possible tendering the older one and Councillor Pye wants to look into getting the older Zamboni for St. Mary's Recplex

Warden Clark

- Attended Regional Enterprise Network meeting where not a whole lot of additional information was provided. Discussion on the organization of REN with Strait Area Mayors and Wardens footprint. This process will be long and Warden states St. Mary's will benefit from hiring the separate Community Development Officer.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:48PM**

Approved By:

Recorded By:

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Warden Clark

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Administrative Assistant