

**Municipality of the District of St. Mary's
Regular Council Meeting
Monday November 10, 2014**

MEETING, DATE & TIME:

The regular meeting of the St. Mary's Municipal Council was called to order at 7:00pm on November 10, 2014, in the Council Chambers, Sherbrooke, NS.

ATTENDING:

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

ABSENT WITH REGRETS:

Councillor Findlay

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:

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

APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND ANY ADDITIONS:

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER COUNCIL APPROVED AGENDA AS PRESENTED WITH THE FOLLOWING ADDITIONS TO CORRESPONDENCE d. HOME SUPPORT AGENCY e. SEASIDE COMMUNICATIONS SUPPORT AND TO OTHER MATTERS c. MEETING SETUP WITH BILL HUNT , DDI
MOTION CARRIED**

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK COUNCIL APPROVED MINUTES OF REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING FROM OCTOBER 14, 2014 AS PRESENTED
MOTION CARRIED**

BUSINESS ARISING FROM REGULAR MEETING HELD OCTOBER 14:

- Red cross bins arrived in Sherbrooke with weekly pickup scheduled
- Warden expressed Congratulations to Adam Rodgers for his Conservative Party Nomination – Mr. Rodgers stated he will continue to practice with no changes as far as council's concerned, the campaign doesn't begin until next October.

CORRESPONDENCE:

- a. Cost Share Agreement TIR 2015-2021– update to signed agreement
- b. New Building Canada Fund – Small Communities Fund – Call for Application for information purposes, review on next Committee of the Whole meeting during financial review
- c. NS Ground Search and Rescue Association –received a thank you and a copy of the Wilderness Survival Guide

- d. Guysborough County Home Support Agency Society – letter received asking for council appointment .

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER, COUNCIL APPOINTS COUNCILLOR DORT TO SIT ON GUYSBOROUGH COUNTY HOME SUPPORT AGENCY SOCIETY MOTION CARRIED

- e. Seaside Communication – focus on increasing speed in St. Mary’s Municipal Council resolution indicating support for speed upgrades

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER A FORMAL RESOLUTION BE SENT TO SEASIDE HIGHSPEED IN SUPPORT OF UPGRADES TO INCREASE SPEED. MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY MEASURES OFFICE

- a. Quarterly Report Approval –

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR PYE AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK COUNCIL APPROVED THE QUARTERLY REPORT AS PRESENTED MOTION CARRIED

- b. Council EMO Committee appointment

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR DORT, COUNCIL APPOINTS WARDEN AND COUNCILLOR PYE AS EMO COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND COUNCILLOR BAKER AS THE ALTERNATE MOTION CARRIED

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS:

- a. Boundary Review - submission due December 31st – will have special council meeting

FINANCE OFFICER/DEPUTY CLERK REPORT

- a. Financial Statements for Period Ending October 31st 2014 – see report attached
 - I. Finance Officer asked for direction on paying the holdback. After discussion on leverage council agreed to payout half as most items were completed off deficiency list
 - II. Finance Officer asked for approval to release the \$7000 Health and wellness funds to SRSB

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK, COUNCIL APPROVED TO RELEASE THE \$7000 FROM HEALTH AND WELLNESS GRANT TO STRAIT REGIONAL SCHOOL BOARD MOTION CARRIED

- III. Fraser and Hoyt – letter states recommendation to leave pension plan as is

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER, COUNCIL APPROVED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR PERIOD ENDING OCTOBER 31, 2014 AS PRESENTED MOTION CARRIED

- b. Personnel
 - i. Employee/Employer Pension Update
 - ii. Part Time Pay Differential

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK, COUNCIL MOVED TO IN CAMERA SESSION FOR PERSONNEL DISCUSSION

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT, COUNCIL RECONVENED TO REGULAR SESSION

**ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR DORT AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR PYE, COUNCIL APPROVED TO PAY BACK TIME ON PENSION FOR EMPLOYER SHARE ONLY
MOTION CARRIED**

SOLICITORS REPORT

- Completed tax sale searches, one had been removed and 2 unable to certify title and ready to go to next step

OTHER MATTERS OF BUSINESS

- Christmas Office Hours – discussion was held
 - Closed on December 24 and Open until Noon on December 31st.
- Ice rentals during Christmas (December 22 – January 2) offer decrease rate
- Municipal Clerk updated council on Water Line Replacement Project – delay is caused by problem with the finalized drawings indicating electrical. NSPower and Eastlink has to scope their lines. Contractor doesn't feel dates will be an issue if they get started within a week.
 - Deputy Warden Clark – concern with pavement being placed off Sonora road. It was not stipulated within the tender where to dispose except Recplex area. Staff to Pursue concern with Department Environment.

ON MOTION OF DEPUTY WARDEN CLARK AND SECONDED BY COUNCILLOR BAKER, COUNCIL MOVED TO HAVE STAFF INVESTIGATE WHY ASPHALT WAS DUMPED ON SONORA ROAD AND NOT AN APPROPRIATE LOCATION AND CONTACT DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT TO SEE IF IT IS AN ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERN

MOTION CARRIED

- DDI Group
 - Warden advised council that DDI Group were planning on installing NO Trespassing signs on borders of their properties for insurance/legal purposes for the onsite employees.
 - Bill Hunt wants to meet with council to present the central waste water management system proposal on Henry Huxford Site, which is after their presentation to Department of Environment. Date of Dec 8th or Dec 10th at 1pm was decided

Councillor Dort

- Attended Boundary review public presentations
- Attended the Fiscal review update in Port Hawkesbury
- Attended the UNSM conference
- Attended the Atlantic Solid Waste Conference – specific to Atlantic Canada was beneficial
- Hosted the Eastern Region Solid waste Management Committee at Municipal Office
- Remembrance day service in Goshen – good turnout

Warden Mosher

- Attended the TOPS Conference in Sherbrooke, commented on their dedication
- Attended the Fiscal Review update in Port Hawkesbury

- Boundary review public presentations – expressed his appreciate for council’s support and attendance
- UNSM Conference
- Thursday CAO committee interviews- ongoing process

Deputy Warden Clark

- Boundary review public presentations
- Visited Office for Emily Morton’s last day of work
- Attended Mayors and Warden on behalf of the Warden;
 - o ACOA had presentation regarding divesture of harbor bottom and if proceeds as planned – municipal led agenda would be more beneficial.
 - o Also presentation from Paul Maclean – LNG Corporation back in the running for a terminal on same timeline of Peridae, ground work ready to go pending supply.
 - o Also presentation by George McCarthy who bought building in Port Hawkesbury for the purpose of turning into a medical marijuana greenhouse.
 - o Mayor Chisholm updated on REN.
 - o Motion was made for letter of support for the removal of Sir Charles Tupper to Minister Delorey and MP Peter McKay.
- St. Mary’s academy – Municipal Awareness week contest winners
- UNSM fall conference in Halifax was very informative
- GALA meeting upcoming this week
- Fiscal review in Port Hawkesbury

Councillor Baker

- Attended TOPS conference at Lions Hall
- Attended UNSM conference and was good opportunity to network
- Attended Boundary reviews which was low attendance

Councillor Kaiser-Kirk

- Attended Boundary reviews
- Attended Lighthouse committee meeting
- Attended Info session in Port Hawkesbury for fiscal review
- Enjoyed UNSM conference

Councillor Pye

- Attended Boundary reviews; disappointed with low attendance
- Attended UNSM

ADJOURNMENT:

ON MOTION OF COUNCILLOR KAISER-KIRK, MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 8:53PM

Approved By:

Recorded By:

Warden Mosher

Administrative Assistant

