

**RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**SPECIAL MEETING**

**AUGUST 14, 2006**

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Deputy Warden Martell called the meeting to order, and the meeting observed the singing of O'Canada.

The Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Review of Tenders: Louisdale Sidewalk Project

The Chairperson welcomed Mr. Darrin McLean to the meeting.

Mr. McLean indicated that three tender bids had been received as follows:

Norvon Enterprises Ltd.	-	\$661,170.00 (before tax)
Ocean Paving Ltd.	-	\$800,869.40 (before tax)
Superior Contracting	-	\$909,990.00 (before tax)

Mr. McLean indicated that he and the Consulting Engineers were recommending the award of the tender to the low bid, Norvon Enterprises Ltd.

Moved by Warden Cotton, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Richmond Municipal Council accept the recommendation and award the contract for the construction of sidewalks in Louisdale to Norvon Enterprises Ltd. at their low tender bid of \$661,170 (before tax);

AND FURTHER MOVED that the contract be awarded with the stipulation that all capital and maintenance costs, be borne by the community of Louisdale, after applying external funds;

AND FURTHER MOVED that the appropriate municipal signing officers be authorized to execute the necessary documents. Motion carried.

In response to inquiries from Councillor Sampson, Warden Cotton indicated that several community meetings have been held in Louisdale, the community has been advised of

cost, and each of the meetings expressed unanimous approval for the project. Warden Cotton noted that there are \$200,000 in external funds from the Province provided to the Municipality for this project, and also the Louisdale Lions Club have committed to funding \$100,000, and he intends to use all of his available district funds for this project (he estimates that he can contribute \$50,000 this year, and all funds in the future). Warden Cotton indicated that he estimated the net capital cost at \$450,000.

In response to an inquiry from Councillor Boudreau, Warden Cotton indicated that the project would include all costs incurred such as engineering, etc.; and the community has agreed.

#### Review of District Grant Requests

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor MacPhee that the following projects be approved from the Municipal District Fund - \$17,000 for District #10:

- L'Archeveque Wharf Preservation Society (\$7,289)
- Salmon River Community Centre (\$6,997)
- Loch Lomond Volunteer Fire Department (\$7,025)

Motion carried.

Councillor Sampson inquired if the Solicitor had been contacted regarding the L'Archeveque Wharf Preservation Society, because he felt a similar grant application from L'Ardoise had been denied because the sponsors were a harbour authority on behalf of a federally divested wharf.

The CAO indicated that the group making application was incorporated as a non-profit society, and staff have indicated that all requirements of our District \$17,000 policy have been met.

Moved by Warden Cotton, seconded by Councillor Johnson that a grant in the amount of \$1,400 for Our Lady of Assumption Parish, with the funding being taken from the Councillors' District Activity Fund (\$3,000) for District #1. Motion carried.

#### Fifteen Minute Question Period

Mr. Bobby Sampson from Louisdale expressed thanks from the community of Louisdale and organizations, for the approval of the sidewalk project, which he proposed would provide significant benefits to the community and the entire county.

There being no further business, Deputy Warden Martell adjourned the meeting at 7:35 p.m.