

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
FOURTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE 46TH COUNCIL

JUNE 16, 2008

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Warden Boudreau called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and asked everyone to stand for the singing of O'Canada.

The Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor MacPhee was unable to attend due to illness and Councillor Sampson was unable to attend due to a late work commitment.

Warden Boudreau welcomed everyone to the meeting, summarized major achievements over the past year, and thanked all fellow Councillors for their tremendous work during the past year.

Items Added to the Agenda

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor Boudreau wished to add a resident recognition and signage for Veterans Memorial Drive; Councillor Cotton wished to add a road name change; Councillor McNamara wished to acknowledge a Sports Hall of Fame Inductee and summer wishes; Deputy Warden Rankin wished to add two young people from Richmond County who won Provincial Highland Dancing Championships, letters from Council which were sent to the proponent, federal & provincial governments regarding the Lake Uist Project, the Chair of the St. Peter's, Samsonville Water Utility has Informed that the Utility will be Approaching Council to consider the allocation of fire protection charges, and a private road application; and the C.A.O. wished to add additional grant requests and advance polls.

Councillor Johnson requested and received unanimous consent to add a grant request from the Cape Breton Fiddlers' Association, and also a grant request from the Grand River Cemetery Association.

Deputy Warden Rankin requested and received unanimous consent to add a grant request to recognize The Reporter, on their award that they received.

Warden Boudreau requested and received unanimous consent to add letters of congratulations to youths who received Lieutenant Governor's Awards, and paying conference fees to Port Days for county residents.

Review of Minutes: (a) May 12, 2008 (Regular Meeting)
(b) May 26, 2008 (Special Meeting)

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the minutes of May 12, 2008 (Regular Meeting) and May 26, 2008 (Special Meeting) be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

(a) Richmond Seniors' Council re: Senior Abuse

Warden Boudreau noted that there were no representatives from the Richmond Seniors' Council in attendance for their presentation.

(b) Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal re: Request from Council to Appear

Warden Boudreau welcomed Mr. Gerard Jessome, Mr. Darren Blundon, Mr. Dave Richards and Mr. Terry White to the meeting.

The CAO noted that Department representatives were in attendance, as per a request from Council.

A question and answer period followed, wherein representatives from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure provided information to Municipal Council regarding road maintenance/paving projects, etc.

Warden Boudreau thanked Mr. Jessome, Mr. Blundon, Mr. Richards and Mr. White for attending the meeting, and Municipal Councillors thanked the representatives for their ongoing help and excellent working relationships.

(c) Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency re: Strait-Highlands Green Action Plan

Councillor Beaton declared a conflict of interest indicating that his son is one of the presenters, and he left his seat during the presentation and discussions.

Warden Boudreau welcomed Mr. John Beaton, Ms. Anne Moore, Jacques Whitford and Mr. Anthony Hlahatsi, Project Engineer, CBCL Limited.

Mr. Beaton, Ms. Moore and Mr. Hlahatsi provided information to Municipal Council regarding the Strait-Highlands Green Action Plan.

A question and answer period followed.

Warden Boudreau thanked Mr. Beaton, Ms. Moore and Mr. Hlahatsi for their informative presentation.

Second Reading Approvals:

- (a) to adopt By-Law #57, Repeals By-Law, attached as Appendix “A”

Moved by Councillor Cotton, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council give Second Reading approval to adopt By-Law #57, Repeals By-Law (attached as Appendix “A”), as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

- (b) to amend By-Law #52, Sewer Service Charge By-Law, attached as Appendix “B”

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden Rankin that Municipal Council give Second Reading approval to amend By-Law #52, Sewer Service Charge By-Law (attached as Appendix “B”). Motion carried.

Notices of Motion:

- (a) Deputy Warden Rankin: to adopt the “Publication of Council, Committee and Committee Reports on Municipal Website” Policy, as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, attached as Appendix “C”

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Municipal Council adopt the “Publication of Council, Committee and Committee Reports on Municipal Website” Policy (attached as Appendix “C”), as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

- (b) Deputy Warden Rankin: to adopt the “Delegation Appearing Before Municipal Council” Policy, as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, attached as Appendix “D”

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that Municipal Council adopt the “Delegation Appearing Before Municipal Council” Policy (attached as

Appendix “D”), as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

(c) Councillor McNamara: to adopt a policy regarding consultation for towers, as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, attached as Appendix “E”

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Municipal Council adopt a policy regarding consultation for towers (attached as Appendix “E”), as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

Reports:

(a) Committee of the Whole re: Estimates/Tax Rates/Other

Deputy Warden Rankin presented the monthly report of the Committee of the Whole (copy attached).

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the minute taking process be made permanent, that has been used on an interim basis for the previous year, and that Council minutes be compiled on the basis of recording decisions, and committee minutes on the basis of anecdotal reporting. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approve a temporary borrowing resolution in the amount of \$3,000,000 for the St. Peter’s Samsonville Water Project. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the proposal of Henson College, to assist with Council/staff relations and governance be accepted. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Councillor Boudreau continue to represent Council for the St. Anne’s Community Centre. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Strait Area Transit Co-Op be funded for the amount of \$15,584 to assist with the operation. Motion carried.

Councillor Beaton declared a conflict of interest indicating he is employed by the Strait Area Transit Co-Op, and he left his seat during voting and discussion of this item.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Warden be authorized to obtain a quote on the development and installation of a Veterans Monument in front of the Municipal Office. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following grant requests be approved:

\$2,500 to Cape Breton Crime Stoppers Association
2,946 to Development Isle Madame Association (2007 Shortfall)
4,400 to Isle Madame Tourism and Trade Association
1,000 to Ocean View Wildlife Association
1,000 to Point Tupper Heritage Association
16,000 to Regional Occupational Centre
4,000 to Société Petit De Grat Beautification Society
2,700 to Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation
1,000 to The Isle Madame Historical Society
400 to St. Louis Barraco Days Committee

\$35,946

Motion carried.

Councillor Martell declared a conflict of interest indicating he is an employee of Development Isle Madame, and he left his seat during voting and discussion of this item.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the grant requests from La Picasse, the Riverdale Community Services Society and the Wallace MacAskill Yacht Club be denied because these grant requests were clearly for projects that met the definition of infrastructure in our District \$17,000 policy. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the grant request from EnRoute Isle Madame be denied, because Municipal Council wishes to continue with past practice of communicating with the Richmond County Capsite Association. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that a grant in the amount of \$19,710 be approved for Development Isle Madame/Community Stabilization Project, conditional on Development Isle Madame Association securing the balance of the total project costs; and further moved that municipal funding will only be paid after the ECBC and Nova Scotia Economic Development funding has been put into place and spent; and further moved that Council make appropriate representation to the Minister regarding these types of conditional approvals that are being made locally. Motion carried.

Councillor Martell declared a conflict of interest indicating that he is an employee of Development Isle Madame and he left his seat during voting and discussion of this item.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that a grant in the amount of \$2,000 be approved for Development Isle Madame/Cape Auget Eco Trail and that a grant in the amount of \$2,500 be approved for the Isle Madame ATV Riders Association, with both to be funded through the Recreation Department budget for trails development. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Municipal Council appropriate any funding left over from the Grants to Charitable Organization Fund into the District \$3,000 Fund; conditional on each Municipal Councillor signing an affidavit to provide a grant to one, two or all three organizations (Leaside Transition House/Richmond County Literacy Network/Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association), with the exact allocation to be determined at a future date. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the enhanced funding proposal of the Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency for 2009/10, in the amount of \$25,000 to be shared among the three funding partners, be approved, conditional on the funding approval also being received from the other municipal funding partners. Motion carried.

Councillor Beaton declared a conflict of interest indicating that his son is employed with the Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency, and he left his seat during voting and discussion of this item.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following grant requests be approved:

- Dorothy's Pets in Need Society, in the amount of \$300, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 8;
- Acadiaville Community Centre Society, in the amount of \$3,625.10, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District #17,000 Fund, District 4;
- DIMA (Le Noir Landing Waterfront), in the amount of \$1,500, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 1;
- 824 Silver Dart Royal Canadian Air Cadets, in the amount of \$150, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 5;
- 824 Silver Dart Royal Canadian Air Cadets, in the amount of \$900, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 8;
- 824 Silver Dart Royal Canadian Air Cadets, in the amount of \$900, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 10;
- Société Petit de Grat Beautification Society, in the amount of \$4,000, with funds to be

- taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 2;
- D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society, in the amount of \$6,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 3;
 - Lennox Passage Yacht Club, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 3;
 - Janvrin's Island Community Centre, in the amount of \$550, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 4;
 - Riverdale Community Services Society, in the amount of \$17,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 5;
 - St. Francis De Sales Parish, in the amount of \$190, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 5;
 - St. Francis De Sales Parish, in the amount of \$4,750, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 5;
 - Richmond Academy, in the amount of \$500, with funds to be taken from the Councillor's District Activity \$3,000 Fund, District 9;
 - Lakeview Cemetery Association, in the amount of \$3,682, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 10;
 - Sacred Heart Ladies Group, in the amount of \$4,321, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 10;
 - L'Archeveque Wharf Preservation Society, in the amount of \$8,215, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District 10.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that the motion be amended and remove the grant to Richmond Academy in the amount of \$500, with funds to be taken from the Councillors' District Activity Fund for District #9, because Councillor Sampson had indicated that Richmond Academy was successful in raising the funds required. Amendment carried.

Councillor Martell declared a conflict of interest indicating he is an employee of Development Isle Madame, who are listed as receiving a grant, and he left his seat during voting and discussion of this item.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and consider directly any grant requests received prior to the June 16th Council Meeting, and which are considered complete by staff, and that this action be taken in order to avoid significant delays to community groups during the prime summer season, and further moved that the Warden be authorized to use his discretion to call a Special Council Meeting during the summer, if necessary, if a substantial number of grants requests are made after the Annual Council Session. Motion carried.

Deputy Warden Rankin gave notice that he will introduce a motion at the next regular Council Meeting to amend the "Grants to Charitable Organizations" Policy, by adding to Section 1: "1(A) Applications will not be eligible that are for projects to construct, create, establish, renovate, repair, improve or enhance structures, foundations or buildings beneficial to the district and its community".

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following area rates be approved for the 2008-09 fiscal year:

- St. Peter's Volunteer Fire Department - .10¢
- West Bay Road & District Volunteer Fire Department - .10¢
- L'Ardoise & District Volunteer Fire Department - .16¢
- Grand River Volunteer Fire Department - .15¢
- Loch Lomond Volunteer Fire Department - .12¢
- Louisdale & District Volunteer Fire Department - .10¢
- Framboise-Fourchu Volunteer Fire Department - .15¢
- District #10 Volunteer Fire Department - .15¢
- Isle Madame Volunteer Fire Department - .11¢
- Louisdale Sidewalks - .10¢
- District #2 - .04¢
- District #4 - .05¢
- St. Peter's Village Commission – collect whatever rate they establish, conditional on them providing their rate to the Municipality prior to August 1, 2008

Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the proposals for terms of existing AAC members and terms of reference for Area Advisory Committees be referred back to the Planning Advisory Committee for re-drafting, and referral to Council, when complete. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Fire Chief Raymond Ferguson, St. Peter's and District Volunteer Fire Department be appointed as a Director to serve on the Fire Service Association of Nova Scotia, for the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Councillor Cotton that a letter be sent to the fire departments requesting that they submit the name for an alternate Director to serve on the Fire Service Association of Nova Scotia, for the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that approval be given to name the extension of Manan Road as "Manan Road Extension" ("MacDonald Road", 2nd choice; "Cooper Road", 3rd choice) in District #1, if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that approval be given to the road name change from “Bay Lane” to “Marmeau Lane” (“Church Lane”, 2nd choice; “Hospital Lane”, 3rd choice) in District #1, if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Boudreau that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that approval be given to the following road name changes in District #1:

- from “Connie’s Lane” to “Delaney Street” (“Delaney Lane” 2nd choice);
- road with no existing name be named “Madden’s Lane” (“O’Connell Street”, 2nd choice);
- road with no existing name be named “Jean’s Lane” (“John Jean’s Lane”, 2nd choice; “Benedict’s Lane”, 3rd choice);
- road with no existing name be named “Tyrrell’s Lane” (“Jack Tyrrell’s Lane”, 2nd choice; “Hart’s Lane”, 3rd choice);
- road with no existing name be named “Burrell’s Lane”;
- road with no existing name be named “Rock Loaf Dairy Lane” (“Dairy Lane”, 2nd choice; “Remi LeBlanc Lane”, 3rd choice);

if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and give approval to the municipal estimates of revenues and expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2009 in the amount of \$11,498,892 (copy of budget attached as Appendix “A”);

AND FURTHER MOVED THAT WHEREAS pursuant to the Municipal Act, the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Richmond estimates that sums amounting to \$5,494,586 are required for the lawful purpose of the said Municipality for the year ending March 31, 2009, after crediting the probable revenue from all sources other than rates for the said year and making due allowance for the abatement and losses which may occur in the collection of the taxes and for taxes for the said year which may not be collectible or collected;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby authorizes the levying and collection of a residential rate of .68¢ on each \$100 of the assessed value of residential property assessed on the assessment roll and a commercial rate of \$1.69; which rates said Council deems sufficient to raise the sums required to defray the expenditures of the said Municipality for this year, and any deficit from the preceding years;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby imposes an additional percentage charge of 18 percent per annum on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby fixes the 30th day of September, 2008 as the day on which the Tax Collector or Treasurer may proceed to issue warrants for the collection of all rates and taxes then unpaid. Motion carried.

Deputy Warden Rankin gave notice that he will introduce a motion at the next regular Council Meeting, to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include Telile Community Television, the River Bourgeois Lighthouse and the River Bourgeois Memorial Cenotaph. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the request from La Picasse be denied, for the reimbursement of \$26,000 paid by Eino Keerd, to purchase the old Petit De Grat School; because the Municipality cannot reimburse funds that La Picasse never paid to the Municipality, and also this could be seen as contravening the process outlined in the Municipal Government Act, that requires that sale for less than fair market value requires public consultation, and also because the purchased funds have been deposited in a capital account as required by the Municipal Government Act, which does not authorize the reimbursement for this purpose. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that our Planning staff and Solicitor be requested to draft a Wind Turbine By-Law, for consideration by Council, and further moved that the draft By-Law provided by the U.N.S.M. be considered, with appropriate changes to take into consideration the local area of Richmond County. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that staff write a letter to the Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency, the Eastern District Planning Commission, and the Vested Property Clerk, to investigate and identify possible municipal land that could potentially be suitable for wind turbine farms. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole, and that the St. Peter's Village Commission be advised that the Municipality of Richmond does not have the authority to assume the Village Commission obligations for public fire protection, as requested. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the monthly report of the Committee of the Whole be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

(b) Clerk re: Annual Report

The CAO reported on another successful year for the Municipality (copy of annual report attached).

Moved by Councillor Cotton, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the Clerk's annual report be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Annual Appointments:

(a) Signing Officers

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Municipal Council appoint the C.A.O., the Deputy Clerk and the Warden as Signing Officers for the Municipality, with the Deputy Warden serving as an alternate. Motion carried.

(b) Representative – Eastern Counties Regional Library Board

Warden Boudreau indicated that Deputy Warden Rankin has indicated that he wishes to continue as a representative on the Eastern Counties Regional Library Board.

(c) Eastern District Planning Commission (2 Councillors)

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor McNamara and Councillor Beaton have indicated they wished to continue as the Council representatives on the Board of the Eastern District Planning Commission.

(d) Representative - Strait Regional Airport Committee

Warden Boudreau indicated Councillor Cotton was having difficulty in attending meetings, and Councillor Beaton has agreed to replace Councillor Cotton on the Strait Regional Airport Committee.

(e) Planning Advisory Committee (5 Councillors)

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor McNamara, Deputy Warden Rankin, Councillor Johnson and Councillor Boudreau have all indicated they wished to remain on the Committee; and he noted that Councillor Martell has agreed to replace Councillor MacPhee, until after the Council election, when new members will be appointed.

(f) Richmond/Port Hawkesbury Joint Development Commission (Warden plus 2 Councillors)

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor Cotton, Councillor Johnson had indicated they wished to remain on the Committee, along with himself.

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council members be appointed to the above noted Committees, as follows:

Eastern Counties Regional Library Board	-	Deputy Warden Rankin
Eastern District Planning Commission	-	Councillor McNamara Councillor Beaton
Strait Regional Airport Committee	-	Councillor Beaton
Planning Advisory Committee	-	Councillor McNamara Deputy Warden Rankin Councillor Johnson Councillor Boudreau Councillor Martell
Richmond/Port Hawkesbury Joint Development Commission	-	Warden Boudreau Councillor Cotton Councillor Johnson

Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- (a) Lieutenant Governor Mayann Francis re: Duke of Edinburgh Awards Presentation
- (b) Hon. Brooke Taylor re: Weed Species Angelica
- (c) Cape Breton Regional Municipality re: Mobius Environmental Award
- (d) Nova Scotia Business Inc. re: Mobius Environmental Award
- (e) Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal re:
 - (i) Trunk 4
 - (ii) Route 206
 - (iii) Port Hastings Rotary
- (f) Strait Area Transit Co-operative Ltd. re: Request for Financial Operating Support

Previously dealt with.

- (g) Residents/Landowners, District #7 re: Area Advisory Committee Policy/Membership

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the correspondence received from the residents/landowners from District #7, regarding the

Area Advisory Committee Policy/Membership be forwarded to the Planning Advisory Committee, for review. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Cotton, seconded by Deputy Warden Rankin that a letter be written to the residents/landowners of District #7 indicating that their correspondence is being referred to the Planning Advisory Committee; and further indicating that the policy on appointing members and terms of reference for Area Advisory Committees has been referred by Council back to the Planning Advisory Committee for review and redrafting, with many of the concerns being similar to those in their correspondence Motion carried.

(h) D'Escousse Civic Improvement Society re: Thank You

(i) Lennox Passage Yacht Club re: Thank You

Items Added to the Agenda

(1) Councillor Boudreau re:

(i) Resident Recognition

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Deputy Warden Rankin that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Gage Burke, recognizing his efforts as the Justice Critic representing the Red Party at the Model Legislature that took place May 23-25. Motion carried.

(ii) Signage for Veterans Memorial Drive

Councillor Boudreau indicated that the cost for each sign is \$150 plus installation, and the signs will be ready on Friday.

Councillor Boudreau indicated he will re-examine his District \$3,000 fund, to determine if he has sufficient funds remaining to pay for the signs.

(2) Councillor Cotton re: Road Name Change

Moved by Councillor Cotton, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Municipal Council give approval to the road name change from "Grandique Ferry Road" to "White Birch Lane" in District #6, if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

(3) Councillor McNamara re:

(i) Acknowledge Sports Hall of Fame Inductee

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Johnson that a letter of congratulations be sent to Mr. Carroll Morgan, on the second occasion of his induction into the Sports Hall of Fame. Motion carried.

(ii) Summer Wishes

Councillor McNamara indicated she wished to extend wishes to students for a happy summer.

(4) Deputy Warden Rankin re:

(i) Two Young People from Richmond County have won Provincial Highland Dancing Championships

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that congratulatory letters be sent to Leah Campbell and Micayla Matthews, congratulating them on their winning the provincial highland dancing championships, and competing in the Canadian highland dancing championships. Motion carried.

(ii) Letters from Council were sent to the Proponent, Federal and Provincial Governments Regarding Lake Uist Project

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Cotton that letters be written to the Proponent, Federal and Provincial Governments requesting that they respond to the letters previously sent to them regarding the Lake Uist Project. Motion carried.

(iii) The Chair of the St. Peter's, Samsonville Water Utility has Informed that the Utility will be Approaching Council to Consider the Allocation of Fire Protection Charges

Deputy Warden Rankin indicated that the Utility Chairperson advised him that the Utility will be writing a letter next time they meet.

It was the consensus of Council that the matter will be researched after the correspondence is received from the Utility.

(iv) Private Road Application

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council give approval to the road name change from "5118(P) Road" to "Twist Point Road" ("Twist Point Lane", second choice) in District #8, if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

(5) CAO re:

(i) Additional Grant Requests

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the following grant requests be approved:

- Our Lady of Assumption Parish Council, in the amount of \$1,400, with funds to be taken from the Councillors' District \$3,000 Activity Fund for District #1;
- Fourchu Development Association, in the amount of \$4,392, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #10;
- Lennox Passage Yacht Club, in the amount of \$5,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #3;
- Village on the Canal Association, in the amount of \$1,500, with funds to be taken from the Councillors' District Activity \$3,000 Fund for District #8;
- Petit De Grat Red Caps Baseball Club, in the amount of \$4,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #2;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #5;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #3;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #1;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #4;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #2;
- Basin River Inhabitants Historical Society, in the amount of \$2,500, with funds to be taken from the Councillors' District Activity \$3,000 Fund for District #5;
- Wallace MacAskill Yacht Club, in the amount of \$2,563.50, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #8;
- Riverdale Community Services Society, in the amount of \$10,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #5;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #8;
- Strait Richmond Health Care Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #9.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the meeting proceed past 10:00 p.m. Motion carried.

(ii) Advance Polls, 2008 Election

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Deputy Warden Rankin that the Municipal Council declare Saturday, October 11, 2008 as the second advance poll for the 2008 municipal election, with October 14th being the mandatory advance poll. Motion carried.

(6) Councillor Johnson re:

(i) Cape Breton Fiddlers' Association

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Cotton that a grant in the amount of \$500 be approved for the Cape Breton Fiddlers' Association, with funds to be taken from the Councillors' District Activity \$3,000 Fund for District #10, conditional on the application being submitted to staff, in conformity with our policy. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martell that the Director of Tourism, Culture and Recreation be requested to consider the grant requests that have been forwarded to him, as soon as possible. Motion carried.

(ii) Grand River Cemetery Association

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Deputy Warden Rankin that a grant be approved for the Grand River Cemetery Association, with funds to be taken from the Municipal District \$17,000 Fund for District #10, conditional on the application being submitted to staff, in conformity with our policy. Motion carried.

(7) Warden Boudreau re:

(i) Port Days

Moved by Councillor Beaton, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council authorize the purchase of 20 conference fees from the Strait Superport Corporation, for the conference on Port Days in July, with the free conference fees being allocated at two per Councillor. Motion carried.

(ii) Congratulatory Letters to Youths

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council authorize the Warden to write congratulatory letters to Maria Collette, Joseph MacNeil, Adele Babin and Travis Landry who were the four recipients who received the Lieutenant Governor's Medal from Richmond Academy and Ecole Beauport, and also a congratulatory note to Evie Landry who was the recipient of the Millennium Scholarship of Excellence. Motion carried.

(8) Deputy Warden Rankin re: Congratulatory Letter to the Reporter

Moved by Deputy Warden Rankin, seconded by Councillor McNamara that congratulatory letters be written to the Reporter, on their receiving the Community Press

Award; and also to Mr. Adam Cooke for the achievement award he received as well.
Motion carried.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Ms. Gloria Hill noted that Telile had not been approached to sign the petition regarding the road name change requested for the lane in which their building is located.

Councillor Boudreau indicated that the petition was circulated prior to the new Telile building being constructed.

Ms. Hill thanked Municipal Council for considering a tax exemption for the Telile building.

Mr. Adam Cooke thanked Municipal Council for the congratulations regarding the award the Reporter received, and he noted the great success of the thriving local media.

Moved by Councillor Boudreau, seconded by Councillor Cotton that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Boudreau adjourned the meeting at 10:25 p.m.