

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

November 2, 2008

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Chief Administrative Officer Digout called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m., and recognized the Speaker of the Nova Scotia Legislature, the Hon. Alfie MacLeod, and his Sergeant at Arms, Ken Greenham.

Mr. Digout requested that Delores Boudreau assist the meeting, through the singing of O'Canada.

Swearing in of Councillors:

Mr. Digout declared the following officials elected as Councillors:

District #1	Victor David
District #2	John Boudreau
District #3	Malcolm Beaton
District #4	Alvin Martell
District #5	Shirley McNamara
District #6	Brian Marchand
District #7	Gilbert Boucher
District #8	Steve MacNeil
District #9	Steve Sampson
District #10	Gail Johnson

The Hon. Alfie MacLeod then called forward the following individuals, and Mr. Digout administered the Oath of Office, in his capacity as Municipal Clerk, and indicated that he was hereby certifying the administration of the Oath in the minutes:

District #1	Councillor Victor David
District #2	Councillor John Boudreau
District #3	Councillor Malcolm Beaton
District #4	Councillor Alvin Martell
District #5	Councillor Shirley McNamara
District #6	Councillor Brian Marchand

District #7 Councillor Gilbert Boucher
District #8 Councillor Steve MacNeil
District #9 Councillor Steve Sampson
District #10 Councillor Gail Johnson

Nominations called by the Clerk for the Appointment of Warden:

Mr. Digout called for nominations for the position of Warden.

Moved by Councillor A. Martell, seconded by Councillor V. David that Councillor J. Boudreau be nominated for the position of Warden, for the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Councillor J. Boudreau accepted the nomination.

The Municipal Clerk called for further nominations, three times.

Moved by Councillor M. Beaton, seconded by Councillor S. Sampson that nominations cease. Motion carried.

Councillor J. Boudreau thus becomes Warden for the County of Richmond.

Warden J. Boudreau spoke with thanks.

Nominations called by the Warden for the Appointment of Deputy Warden:

Warden J. Boudreau called for nominations for the position of Deputy Warden.

Moved by Councillor S. McNamara, seconded by Councillor M. Beaton that Councillor G. Johnson be nominated for the position of Deputy Warden, for the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Councillor G. Johnson accepted the nomination.

Warden J. Boudreau called for further nominations, three times.

Moved by Councillor V. David, seconded by Councillor G. Boucher that nominations cease. Motion carried.

Councillor G. Johnson thus becomes Deputy Warden for the County of Richmond.

Deputy Warden G. Johnson spoke with thanks.

Call for Nominations and Appointments:

Warden Boudreau indicated that he had consulted widely with Councillors, regarding their preferences for Committee appointments, and he was going to recommend appointments for each of the Committees.

(a) Richmond County Planning Advisory Committee:

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Richmond County Planning Advisory Committee:

Councillor Shirley McNamara
Deputy Warden Gail Johnson
Councillor Steve MacNeil
Councillor Brian Marchand
Councillor Gilbert Boucher

Moved by Councillor A. Martell, seconded by Councillor S. McNamara that Councillor S. McNamara, Deputy Warden G. Johnson, Councillor S. MacNeil, Councillor B. Marchand and Councillor G. Boucher, Councillor be appointed to the Richmond County Planning Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

(b) Eastern District Planning Commission

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Eastern District Planning Commission:

Councillor Shirley McNamara
Councillor Victor David

Moved by Councillor S. MacNeil, seconded by Deputy Warden G. Johnson that Councillor S. McNamara and Councillor V. David be appointed to the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

(c) Richmond Housing Corporation (Villa)

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Richmond Housing Corporation (Villa):

Councillor Steve Sampson
Councillor Shirley McNamara
Councillor Gilbert Boucher
Councillor Steve MacNeil

Moved by Councillor S. McNamara, seconded by Councillor V. David that Councillor S. Sampson, Councillor S. McNamara, Councillor G. Boucher and Councillor S. MacNeil be appointed to the Richmond Housing Corporation (Villa). Motion carried.

(d) Eastern County Regional Library Board

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillor be appointed to the Eastern County Regional Library Board:

Deputy Warden Gail Johnson

Moved by Councillor G. Boucher, seconded by Councillor B. Marchand that Deputy Warden G. Johnson be appointed to the Eastern County Regional Library Board. Motion carried.

(e) St. Anne's Community Care Centre

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillor be appointed to the Ste. Anne's Community Care Centre:

Councillor Alvin Martell

Moved by Councillor G. Boucher, seconded by Councillor V. David that Councillor A. Martell be appointed to the St. Anne's Community Care Centre. Motion carried.

(f) Richmond/Port Hawkesbury Joint Park Commission

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Richmond/Port Hawkesbury Joint Park Commission:

Warden John Boudreau
Councillor Shirley McNamara
Councillor Malcolm Beaton

Moved by Councillor V. David, seconded by Deputy Warden G. Johnson that Councillor S. McNamara, Warden J. Boudreau and Councillor M. Beaton be appointed to the Richmond/Port Hawkesbury Joint Park Commission

Warden Boudreau indicated that he also wished to make an appointment to the Strait-Highlands Regional Development Agency, indicating that his term was expiring in April, 2009, but that he wished Council to formally appoint him to complete his term.

(g) Strait Highlands Regional Development Agency

Moved by Councillor V. David, seconded by Deputy Warden G. Johnson that Warden J. Boudreau be appointed to the Strait Highlands Regional Development Agency, for the remainder of the term expiring in April, 2009. Motion carried.

(h) Richmond Arena Board

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillor be appointed to the Richmond Arena Board:

Councillor Brian Marchand

Moved by Councillor S. Sampson, seconded by Councillor G. Boucher that Councillor B. Marchand be appointed to the Richmond Arena Board. Motion carried.

(i) Strait Area Airport Committee

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillor be appointed to the Strait Area Airport Committee:

Councillor Malcolm Beaton

Moved by Councillor G. Boucher, seconded by Councillor V. David that Councillor M. Beaton be appointed to the Strait Area Airport Committee. Motion carried.

(j) Richmond County Police Services Advisory Committee

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Richmond County Police Services Advisory Committee:

Councillor Steve Sampson
Deputy Warden Gail Johnson

Moved by Councillor A. Martell, seconded by Councillor G. Boucher that Councillor S. Sampson and Deputy Warden G. Johnson be appointed to the Richmond County Police Services Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

(k) Youth Recreation Advisory Committee

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Youth Recreation Advisory Committee:

Councillor Victor David
Councillor Steve MacNeil

Moved by Councillor G. Boucher, seconded by Councillor S. Sampson that Councillor V. David and Councillor S. MacNeil be appointed to the Youth Recreation Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

(l) Emergency Measures Planning Committee

Warden Boudreau recommended that the following Councillors be appointed to the Emergency Measures Planning Committee:

Councillor Victor David
Councillor Alvin Martell

Moved by Deputy Warden G. Johnson, seconded by Councillor G. Boucher that Councillor V. David and Councillor A. Martell be appointed to the Emergency Measures Planning Committee. Motion carried.

Comments by visiting dignitaries:

Mr. Roger Cuzner, MP addressed all attendants. Mr. Cuzner thanked the members of Richmond County for their continued support. Mr. Cuzner offered Mr. Louis Digout his best with his upcoming retirement. Mr. Cuzner welcomed the returning and new Councillors of Richmond County.

Warden J. Boudreau thanked Mr. Cuzner for speaking.

Mr. Michel Samson, MLA addressed all attendants. Mr. Samson congratulated the Councillors for their success in the recent election. Mr. Samson commended Mr. Bobby Sampson, Returning Officer, and his team for a well run election.

Warden J. Boudreau thanked Mr. Samson for speaking.

Hon. Alfie MacLeod congratulated Council and indicated that he was honoured to be a part of the Swearing in Ceremony. The Speaker then gave a significant summary of the history of Democracy in Nova Scotia, noting its importance as the first democratically elected legislature in the British Commonwealth, outside of England.

Warden J. Boudreau thanked Hon. Alfie MacLeod for speaking.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Boudreau adjourned the meeting at 3:04 p.m.