

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

MAY 20, 2010

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Warden J. Boudreau, Deputy Warden S. MacNeil
Councillor M. Beaton, Councillor S. McNamara
Councillor B. Marchand, Councillor G. Boucher
Councillor S. Sampson, Councillor J. Johnson

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

Staff took roll call of Councillors.

Warden Boudreau indicated that he received regrets from Councillor David.

Planning Advisory Committee:

- (i) Mr. John Bain, Executive Director

Mr. Bain presented a report on the Sporting Mountain Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law Submissions and Recommendation (Copy attached).

Warden Boudreau welcomed Mr. Bain to the meeting.

Mr. Bain indicated that it is the recommendation of the Eastern District Planning Commission Staff that the Plan Review of the Sporting Mountain Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law be considered complete and that the Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law remain unchanged.

Warden Boudreau thanked Mr. Bain for his report.

- (ii) Chairperson Councillor McNamara

Councillor McNamara presented the monthly Planning Advisory Committee Report (Copy attached).

Moved by Councillor McNamara, **seconded** by Councillor Beaton that Council accept the recommendation of the Planning Advisory Committee and that the plan review of Sporting Mountain Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law be considered complete and that the Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law remain unchanged. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor McNamara, **seconded** by Councillor Johnson that the monthly Planning Advisory Committee report be adopted as presented. **Motion carried.**

Information re: Marketing Levy By-Law:

Warden Boudreau indicated that the Marketing Levy By-Law has been endorsed by various municipalities.

Warden Boudreau indicated that once the by-law has been adopted approximately \$8,000 will be available to market tourism in Cape Breton annually; however, there is much work that is required.

The marketing levy will be discussed in detail during the “In-Camera” session, with the solicitor present.

Fifteen Minute Question Period:

Mr. Ross Wagg approached Council regarding an item on the agenda.

In-Camera

Moved by Councillor Boucher, **seconded** by Deputy Warden MacNail that Council proceed “In-Camera”. Motion carried.

An “In-Camera” session was held to discuss the Marketing Levy By-Law.

Warden Boudreau re-convened the Regular Meeting at 7:44 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Beaton, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that the solicitor provide the CAO and the Clerk with a confidential draft of comments demonstrating concerns with the proposed tourism marketing by-law and the Memorandum Of Understanding, as were received from CBRM, for further review. **Motion carried.**

Moved by Councillor Beaton, **seconded** by Councillor Johnson that council hereby authorise the solicitor to prepare such documents as deemed necessary to address and

correct any concerning issues in the proposed by-law and the Memorandum Of Understanding;

And further move that the solicitor be granted standing to communicate directly with the author(s) of said documents and the solicitors for all municipal units involved in the Marketing Levy initiative so as to expedite the creation of a common and functional Marketing Levy By-Law and Memorandum Of Understanding for the municipal units;

And further move that the CAO or Clerk be authorized to circulate such documents, as are required to be reviewed, to all councillors, for review and submission of comments, to the CAO or Clerk within two days of receipt; and that the CAO or Clerk will address these comments with the solicitor immediately. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor Boucher, **seconded** by Deputy Warden MacNeil that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Boudreau adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER