

**RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**MARCH 14, 2011**

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.

Warden Boudreau asked everyone remain standing for a moment of silence for the Late Wilfred Lavandier.

The C.A.O. took roll call of Councillors.

Warden Boudreau indicated that Councillor McNamara sent regrets.

Items Added to the Agenda:

Warden Boudreau indicated that one item was submitted prior to the deadline by Councillor MacNeil regarding a Petition Regarding Fire Protection Charges; Unanimous consent was given to Councillor Sampson to add a decision by the Utility and Review Board regarding the Acadian Lines request to amend their route to Cape Breton.

**Moved** by Councillor Johnson, **seconded** by Councillor MacNeil to approve the agenda with the items added. **Motion carried.**

Review of Minutes:

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Councillor Beaton that the minutes of February 14, 2011 (Regular Meeting) and February 28, 2011 (Special Meeting) be adopted as presented. **Motion carried.**

Solicitors/Eastern District Planning Commission re: Proposed Demolition: Proposed Demolition: Property of Robert Vincent MacDonald and Donna Marie MacDonald, 9928 Grenville Street, St. Peter's (PID # 75053215; AAN # 02682869)

- (i) Mr. John Bain re: Update on Property.

Mr. Bain provided a brief report to Council on the property and noted the following:

- The building inspector visited the property today and there was no improvement to the property.
- The property is still in a state of disrepair.
- The family has agreed to demolish the property.

(ii) Robert Vincent MacDonald and Donna Marie MacDonald  
re: Opportunity to Address Municipal Council

Warden Boudreau indicated that no one was present to represent the family; therefore the item would be dealt with in the Committee of the Whole Report.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

(a) Special Resolution – Councillor Marchand

**Moved** by Councillor Marchand, **seconded** by Councillor MacNeil that the following resolution be adopted;

**WHEREAS** Judo is a discipline which requires hard work, preparation and commitment;

**AND WHEREAS** Dylan Landry put forth a tremendous effort so as to reach the top of that discipline, while also maintaining his academic grades from primary to grade twelve;

**AND WHEREAS** Dylan's efforts have enabled him to reach the highest possible level, that of winning a gold medal in the Canada Winter Games;

**AND WHEREAS** of the five gold medals won by Nova Scotia in the games, Dylan succeeded in taking one of those five to Richmond County;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Richmond herewith recognizes the special achievement of Dylan Landry and hereby offers him the most sincere of congratulations, on behalf of all members of this Council and all citizens of our great county.

**Motion carried.**

(b) Mr. Blair Samson, Louisdale & L'Ardoise Branch Manager, East Coast Credit Union re: Presentation of \$2,000 Donation to the Richmond Arena Zamboni Fund

Warden Boudreau indicated that Mr. Samson was unable to attend to present and extended a thank you on behalf of Municipal Council for their donation to the zamboni fund.

First Reading Approval: – Deputy Warden Martell: to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include the property of the Richmond County Literacy Network Society, Account #10345049; and the property of the Richmond Arena Association, Account #9081593 (attached as Appendix “A”)

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that first reading approval be given to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include the property of the Richmond County Literacy Network Society, Account #10345049; and the property of the Richmond Arena Association, Account #9081593 (attached as Appendix “A”). **Motion carried.**

Committee Reports:

(a) Committee of the Whole:

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and of the Municipality's Administrator for Dangerous and Unsanitary Premises and recommend to Council that a Demolition and Clean-up Order be issued for the property of Madeleine Bosdet, 101 Southside Petit De Grat Road, Alderney Point Cove, PID #75009837, AAN #05425603, requiring the property owner to demolish the building and lawfully dispose of all of the debris, and requiring that the same be carried out within 30 days of the issuing of the Order. **Motion Carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and of the Municipality's Administrator for Dangerous and Unsanitary Premises and recommend to Council that a Demolition and Clean-up Order be issued for the property of Anthony F. Hendriksen and Donna A. Hendriksen, 334 Southside Petit De Grat Road, Alderney Point (PID #75010249; AAN #00395366), and that all the debris be removed from the property within 30 days of the issuing of the Order. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and of the Municipality's Administrator for Dangerous and Unsightly Premises and recommend to Council that a Demolition and Clean-up Order be issued for the property of George Samson and Gladys Samson, 27 Samson's Cove Road, Lot 80, Samson's Cove (PID #75011742; AAN #04121279), and that all the debris be removed from the property within 30 days of the issuing of the Order. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor MacNeil that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and of the Municipality's Administrator of Dangerous and Unsightly Premises and recommend to Council that a Demolition and Clean-up Order be issued for the property of Robert Vincent MacDonald and Donna Marie MacDonald, 9928 Grenville Street, St. Peter's (PID #75053215; AAN #02682869), and that all the debris be removed from the property within 30 days of the issuing of the Order; and further moved that the owners be given an opportunity to appear before Council at the Municipal Council Meeting scheduled for 7:00 p.m., March 14, 2011. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and of the Municipality's Administrator of Dangerous and Unsightly Premises and recommend to Council that a Demolition and Clean-up Order be issued for the property of Albert J. Barrett, Shaw's Pond, Lower L'Ardoise (PID #75068965); and that all the debris be removed from the property within 30 days of the issuing of the Order. **Motion carried.**

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

- \$1,950 to the Strait Richmond Atom A Pirates, Municipal District Activity Fund, Various Districts;
- \$200 to Richmond Rize Girls 18 Under Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1;
- \$3,500 to the Isle Madame Boat Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #1;
- \$300 to Our Lady of Assumption CWL, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1;
- \$500 to the Isle Madame ATV Riders Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #2;
- \$4,450 to the Basin River Inhabitants Historical Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;
- \$1,500 to the Chapel Cove Wharf Preservation Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #9;
- \$200 to Richmond Rize Girls Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #4;

- \$200 to Richmond Rize Girls Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #6;
- \$500 to L'Ardoise Seniors Jolly Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #9;
- #31,333 to St. Peter's Lions Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, Districts #8 (\$25,333), #9 (\$3,000) and #10(\$3,000);
- \$200 to Richmond Rize Girls 18 Under Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund – District #8;
- \$200 to Village on the Canal Association, Municipal District Activity Fund – District #8;
- \$200 to Richmond Rize Girls 18 Under Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund – District #9;
- \$200 to Bras D'or Lakes Seniors Club, Municipal District Activity Fund – District #10;
- \$500 to Richmond Rize Girls 18 Under Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund – District #10;
- \$300 to Richmond Rize Girls Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3.

**Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the grant request submitted by Richmond Rize Girls 18 Under Volleyball Team, Municipal District Activity Fund - District #7 for \$200 be approved subject to the proper submission of the application.

**Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that a borrowing resolution be approved in the amount of \$150,000 for the Evanston sewer extension on Hospital Road, with a twenty year repayment; and further moved that a borrowing resolution be approved in the amount of \$250,000 for the Louisdale sewer extension, with a fifteen year repayment. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer and recommend to Council that the financing for the Little Barrachois Project in the amount of \$101,849 be financed solely through the Gas Tax Fund. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and relax the present policy for funding to Core Community Organizations, so as to expedite applications for the 2011-2012 fiscal year. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Sampson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and detailed information be requested from the Eastern District Planning Commission on their operating costs, travel mileage, legal fees and building permits and any further information that the Warden and C.A.O. may requests prior to moving the item to budget deliberations. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and grant the request of St. Anne Community and Nursing Care Centre regarding the use of the municipal office as a temporary relocation site, in the event of an evacuation if a disaster would occur at St. Ann Centre. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that 30 days' notice be given to Grand River Sales Limited, indicating that the Municipality no longer requires the office space presently being rented at 9943 Grenville Street, St. Peter's. **Motion carried.**

**Moved** by Deputy Warden Martell, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher to adopt the Committee of the Whole for the month of March 2011 as presented. **Motion carried.**

Correspondence:

(a) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Approval of Annual Appointments

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that the following annual appointments for the Eastern District Planning Commission be approved:

Administrator - Dangerous and Unsightly Premises: John Bain  
Sean Donovan (Alternate);

Building Inspector: Leon LeBlanc  
Harry Martell, (Alternate);  
Cyril Leblanc, (Alternate);  
David MacKenzie, (Alternate); and  
Alfred Fougère, (Alternate)

Development Officer: Wanda Ryan  
John Bain, (Alternate);  
Karl Grenke (Alternate); and  
Andrew Jones (Alternate).

Fire Inspector: Leon LeBlanc  
Sean Donovan (Alternate);  
Harry Martell (Alternate);  
Cyril Leblanc (Alternate).

Motion carried.

(b) Isle Madame ATV Riders Association re: Thank you

For information purposes.

(c) Day of the Honey Bee 2011 re: Request to Proclaim May 29, 2011 as the second annual "Day of the Honey Bee"

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Deputy Warden Martell that Richmond Municipal Council proclaim May 29, 2011 as the second annual "Day of the Honey Bee"; and **FURTHER MOVED** that the request for this proclamation will be required annually by the designated group. **Motion carried.**

Items Added:

#1. Councillor MacNeil re: Petition Regarding Fire Protection Charges

**Moved** by Councillor MacNeil, **seconded** by Councillor Marchand that the petition regarding fire protection charges be moved to budget deliberations. (5 Ayes, 3 Nays: Councillor David, Councillor Johnson, Councillor Boucher) **Motion carried.**

#2. Councillor Sampson re: Decision by the Utility and Review Board regarding the Acadian Lines request to amend their route to Cape Breton

Councillor Sampson noted that the Utility and Review Board has ruled that the Acadian Lines may reduce their bus routes via Highway #4 from three to two routes per day from Halifax to Sydney.

In-Camera: Agreement

**Moved** by Councillor Boucher, **seconded** by Councillor Beaton that the meeting proceed to "In-Camera" session. Motion carried.

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Deputy Warden Martell that the meeting reconvene to regular session. Motion carried.

**Moved** by Councillor Johnson, **seconded** by Councillor MacNeil that Richmond Municipal Council accepts the Inter-Municipal Agreement for the Municipal Information System, in principal, subject to cost factors as presented. **Motion carried.**

Adjournment

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Councillor Boucher that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Boudreau adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.