

**RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 12, 2011**

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Warden J. Boudreau, Deputy Warden A. Martell  
Councillor V. David, Councillor M. Beaton  
Councillor S. McNamara, Councillor B. Marchand  
Councillor G. Boucher, Councillor S. MacNeil  
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.

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

Items Added to the Agenda:

Councillor MacNeil requested and received unanimous consent to add an update on the Rick Hansen event.

**Moved** by Councillor Johnson, **seconded** by Councillor David that the agenda be approved with the item added. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: (i) June 20, 2011 (Annual Session)  
(ii) June 20, 2011 (Public Hearing)

**Moved** by Councillor David, **seconded** by Councillor McNamara that the minutes of June 20, 2011 (Annual Session) and June 20, 2011 (Public Hearing) be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

(a) Mr. Jeff Stanley re: COMFIT Program Update

Warden Boudreau welcomed Mr. Stanley to the meeting.

Mr. Stanley presented a power point presentation, providing an update on the COMFIT program (Copy attached).

A question period ensued.

The C.A.O. will direct the Director of Economic Development & Tourism and the Director of Public Works to review the wind turbine policy.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Johnson that a committee be formed to discuss the renewable energy options for Richmond County. Motion carried.

Warden Boudreau thanked Mr. Stanley for his presentation.

#### NewPage Update - Warden/CAO

The Warden and C.A.O. provided an update on the NewPage situation.

#### Update/CAO re: De-Watering Truck

The C.A.O. informed Council that there will be a demonstration of the De-Watering Truck in Richmond County during the month of November, with the possibility of purchasing one in the next fiscal year.

#### Committee Reports:

##### (a) Committee of the Whole:

Deputy Warden Martell presented the Committee of the Whole Report for the month of September 2011.

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 Unsightly Premises and that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued to the following property owners; and that the Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council, instructing that the buildings be demolished and all debris be removed from the property within thirty (30) days or the Municipality will complete the same and recover the costs through property taxes:

- Abraham Sampson, Grandique Road, Martinique, PID # 75097287/Assessment Account #03886905;
- Eduard and Natalita Steininger, Highway #4 Cannes, PID #75019968/Assessment Account #02483262;
- Gerard Birrette, 12 Barrett Road, Lower L'Ardoise, PID #75067033/Assessment Account #00328936;
- Viola Burke Coltman, 1007 Veterans Memorial Drive, Arichat, PID #75001792/ Assessment Account #01432133;

Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and adopt the attached Hiring Process as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond (attached as Appendix "A"). Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Municipality's Administrator for Dangerous and Unightly Premises and of the Committee of the Whole and that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued to the property of Pirkko Nurmi, 8079 Highway 4, Cannes, River Bourgeois, (PID # 75043000; AAN #00506206) and that the Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council, instructing that the buildings be demolished and all debris be removed from the property within thirty (30) days or the Municipality will complete the same and recover the costs through property taxes. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and give approval to the road name change from "Mannan Road" to "South Grand Lake Road" ("East Grand Lake Road", second 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 Martell, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Council accept the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer and of the Committee of the Whole and approve a borrowing resolution for the Isle Madame Fire Department in the amount of \$217,245 to be amortized over seven years, for the purchase of a new tanker truck. Motion carried.

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

- \$250, St. Joseph's CWL, Municipal District Activity Fund - District #2;
- \$250, Petit De Grat Acadian Festival Committee, Municipal District Activity Fund - District #2;
- \$500, Isle Madame Community Pig Roast Committee, Municipal District Activity Fund - District #3;
- \$2,400, Point Tupper Heritage Association, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund - District #5;
- \$4,506.25, Lakeside Community Association, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund - District #8;
- \$2,500, River Bourgeois Community Services Society, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund - District #7

Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor MacNeil that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and **THAT WHEREAS** Georgie Robertson is a highly recognized and valued entrepreneur in our county;

**AND WHEREAS** Mr. Robertson has been an intricate part of our business community and has used his business to assist individuals and organizations in their time of greatest need;

**AND WHEREAS** this Council recognizes that such strong individuals make for strong and vibrant communities;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that Council for the Municipality of the County of Richmond herewith officially recognizes and offers its gratitude to Mr. Georgie Robertson of MacBouch Beverage Room and Grill for his tremendous achievements on behalf of the citizens and communities of our great county and further proclaims September 11, 2011 as "Georgie Robertson Day" in Richmond County.  
Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor MacNeil that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approve a municipal loan guarantee for the Village of St. Peter's in the amount of \$139,000 for upgrades to their wastewater treatment facility. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the Committee of the Whole report for the month of September be adopted as presented.  
Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- (a) Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal re: Cost Shared Agreement for the Paving of J Class Subdivision Streets

The C.A.O. will contact the Department of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal for the list of roads once the agreement is signed.

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Warden and the Chief Administrative Officer be authorized to sign Construction Agreement No. 2012-020 for the paving of J Class subdivision streets. Motion carried.

- (b) Come Glow With Us re: Come Glow With Us 2011 Campaign

For information purposes.

The campaign will be advertised on the County website and Radio Richmond.

- (c) Correctional Service Canada re: Request to Proclaim November 13-20, 2011 as Restorative Justice Week 2011

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Deputy Warden Martell that Richmond Municipal Council proclaim November 13-20, 2012 as Restorative Justice Week in the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

- (d) Canadian Cancer Society re: Thank You

For information purposes.

Items Added:

1. Councillor MacNeil re: Rick Hansen Event

Councillor MacNeil provided an update on the success of the Rick Hansen Marathaon Relay. He was pleased to announce that he was a metal barer and presented the Warden with a replica of the Rick Hansen medal to display proudly in the Municipal Administration building.

Warden Boudreau recognized Councillor MacNeil for all his time and effort he dedicated to for this very successful event.

Fifteen Minute Question Period:

Ms. Cindy Britten addressed Council regarding an item on the agenda.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, Warden Boudreau adjourned the meeting at 8:31 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

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CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER