

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

NOVEMBER 25, 2013

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Warden S. Sampson, Deputy Warden G. Johnson,
Councillor V. David, Councillor R. Samson,
Councillor M. Beaton, Councillor A. Martell,
Councillor B. Marchand, Councillor G. Boucher

Warden Sampson 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.

Warden Sampson indicated that regrets were received by Councillor McNamara and Councillor MacNeil.

Items Added to the Agenda:

There were no items added to the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: October 30, 2013

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Deputy Warden Johnson that the minutes of October 30, 2013 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

- (a) President of CBU, Dr. David Wheeler re: CBU's Future Strategy

Warden Sampson welcomed Dr. David Wheeler and Mr. Gordon MacInnis to the meeting.

Dr. Wheeler and Mr. MacInnis presented a Power Point presentation (Copy attached).

A discussion period ensued.

(b) Nova Scotia Trails Federation re: Nova Scotia Trans Canada Trail Routing Options

Warden Sampson welcomed Mr. Blaise MacEachern to the meeting.

Mr. MacEachern presented a Power Point presentation (Copy attached).

A discussion period ensued.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden Johnson that Richmond Municipal Council support the connection of the Trans Canada Trail in Richmond County and FURTHER MOVED that Municipal Council support, in principle, to endorse the Trans Canada Trail land and water route 2016 connection options. Motion carried.

(c) IWK Pig Roast

Warden Sampson welcomed Mr. Andre LeBlanc and Ms. Linda Moffet to the meeting.

Mr. LeBlanc and Ms. Moffet made a presentation to Council (copy attached).

A discussion period ensued.

Warden Sampson re: Cape Breton Day in Ottawa

For information purposes.

CAO re: Land Sale Policy Revision

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Beaton that notice be given to amend the Land Sale Policy to include section 51A of the Municipal Government Act. Motion carried.

CAO/Director of Public Works re: WREC/SPDH

It was the consensus of council that the CAO meet with the buyer of SPDH to review the issue facing the property and the potential time line.

It was also the consensus of council that a letter be written to the School Board and the Minister of Education requesting a meeting to discuss the problems facing WREC as a

result of the Phase I assessment, and the costs associated with doing a Phase II. Council felt that the Municipality should not be responsible for this cost.

Second Reading Approval: Councillor McNamara - to amend By-Law #17, Solid Waste Management By-Law, as recommended by the Director of Public Works (attached as Appendix "A")

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Municipal Council give Second Reading approval to amend By-Law #17, Solid Waste Management By-Law as recommended by the Director of Public Works (attached as Appendix "A"). Motion carried.

Committee Reports

a) Committee of the Whole

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

Moved by Deputy Warden Johnson, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued to Gary and Kathleen Pretty, St. Peters Fourchu Road, Framboise, Richmond County (PID #75082990, AAN# 00810029) and that the Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council to the owners. The Order should state to the owners that the buildings are to be demolished and all debris be removed and disposed of in the appropriate manner within thirty (30) days. If the property owner fails to comply, the Municipality will complete the same and recover the costs. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Johnson, seconded by Councillor Samson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that taxes be written off for Assessment Account # 00402125, assessed to Kenneth & Evie Boudreau in the amount of \$385.63 which represents taxes on the dwelling for June 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that taxes be written off for Assessment Account # 05190517, assessed to Ginette Therrien in the amount of \$174.72 which represents taxes on the dwelling for April 1, 2013 to March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Johnson, seconded by Councillor David that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that taxes be written off for Assessment Account # 00385212 assessed to Premium Seafoods in the amount of

\$637.11 and on account # 05700396, assessed to Premium Seafoods in the amount of \$7,847.46 which represents taxes on the dwelling to March 31, 2014. Motion carried.

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

- \$1,500 to Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts;
- \$600 to Development Isle Madame Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts;

Motion carried.

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

(b) Waste Water

Councillor Martell presented an Alternative Waste Water Committee report for the month of November 2013.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the monthly report of the Alternative Waste Water Committee be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

(c) Renewable Energy

Councillor Samson presented the Renewable Energy Committee report for the month of November 2013.

Moved by Councillor Samson, seconded by Councillor Boucher that that monthly report of the Renewable Energy Committee be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence

For Information Purposes

- (a) Association of Municipal Administrators re: Thank You;
- (b) UNSM re: The Provincial-Municipal Fiscal Review – Fall 2013

Action Required

- (a) CFO, Stewart MacDonald re: Request for Tax Exemption, Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation, Account # 01414631 (Notice of Motion Required)

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Beaton that notice be given to amend By-Law #56 Tax Exemption By-Law to include the property of the Roman Catholic Episcopal Corporation, Account # 01414631. Motion carried.

(b) U.N.S.M. re: Request for Donation Regarding Emergency in the Philippines

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Deputy Warden Johnson that a donation be made, in the amount of \$500, joining other municipalities, in support of Unicef Canada, who have teams on the ground assisting with the emergency in the Philippines. Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

There were no questions from the gallery.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, Warden Sampson adjourned the meeting at 9:25 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER