

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

FEBRUARY 27, 2017

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Councillor James Goyetche, Councillor A. Martell
Warden B. Marchand, Councillor G. Boucher,
Deputy Warden Jason MacLean

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

Roll Call of Councillors

The CAO took roll call of Councillors.

Gallery Presentations:

- a) Variance Request PID# 75084467 (Lands of 3300821 Nova Scotia Limited), Highway 206, Arichat, Richmond County, NS

Mr. Andrew Jones provided an update regarding the variance request application and noted that the application met the three criteria laid out in Section 235(3) of the Municipal Government Act. He also indicated that it was only determined later that some of the information received from the applicant was incorrect.

The Warden asked for public comments in favor of the granted variance, 3 times.

The Warden asked for public comments opposed to the granted variance.

Mrs. Judy Leblanc and Mrs. Beatrice Leblanc presented to Council regarding their appeal regarding the granted variance. (Written submissions attached).

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that Municipal Council overturn the decision by the Eastern District Planning Commission to grant a variance for PID# 75084467 (Lands of 3300821 Nova Scotia Limited), Highway 206, Arichat, Richmond County, NS. Motion carried.

b) Odilon Boudreau (Resident) re: Tourism

Warden Marchand welcomed Mr. Odilon Boudreau to the meeting.

Mr. Boudreau gave a presentation regarding Tourism. (Presentation attached)

Warden Marchand thanked Mr. Boudreau for his presentation.

c) Pan Cape Breton Food Hub

Warden Marchand welcomed Ms. Alicia Lake and Mr. Jim Mustard to the meeting.

Ms. Lake and Mr. Mustard gave a power point presentation regarding the PAN Cape Breton Food Hub Co-op. (Presentation attached)

Warden Marchand thanked Ms. Lake and Mr. Mustard for their presentation.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that the grant request in the amount of \$7500 from the PAN Cape Breton Food Hub Co-op be moved to budget deliberations. Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Review of Minutes: January 23, 2017

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that the minutes of January 23, 2017 be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Motion Required – To adopt the Municipality of the County of Richmond Travel Expense Policy. (Attached as Appendix “A”)

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that the adoption of the Municipality of the County of Richmond Travel Expense Policy be tabled. Motion carried.

Motion Required – To amend something previously approved, May 2, 2016 minutes (Regular Council Meeting) – To record a Nay vote on motion re: Forensic Audit

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that the Regular Council Meeting minutes from May 2, 2016 be amended to reflect a nay vote by Councillor Marchand on the motion regarding the forensic audit. Motion carried.

Second Reading – To amend the St. Peter’s Municipal Planning Strategy which will permit consideration of future re-zonings from the Downtown Commercial (C-1) zone to the Mixed Use (C-2) zone within the Commercial Designation between Toulouse Street and the St. Peter’s Canal subject to the existing criteria for amending the St. Peter’s Land Use By-Law

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that Second Reading be given to amend the St. Peter’s Municipal Planning Strategy which will permit consideration of future re-zonings from the Downtown Commercial (C-1) zone to the Mixed Use (C-2) zone within the Commercial Designation between Toulouse Street and the St. Peter’s Canal subject to the existing criteria for amending the St. Peter’s Land Use By-Law. Motion carried.

Second Reading – To amend the St. Peter's Generalized Future Land Use Map within the Municipal Planning Strategy to re-designate properties PID 75189548 and 75189563 and portions of properties PID 75189555 and 75193342 in St. Peters, Richmond County from “Open Space” to “Commercial” to reflect the existing commercial use and zoning of the properties.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that Second Reading be given to amend the St. Peter's Generalized Future Land Use Map within the Municipal Planning Strategy to re-designate properties PID 75189548 and 75189563 and portions of properties PID 75189555 and 75193342 in St. Peters, Richmond County from “Open Space” to “Commercial” to reflect the existing commercial use and zoning of the properties. Motion carried.

First Reading - First Reading approval to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include Stella Maris Pastoral Center, account # 01414925. (Attached as Appendix “B”)

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council give First Reading approval to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include Stella Maris Pastoral Center, account # 01414925. Motion carried.

Correspondence

Action Required

- a) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Property of Graham and John Dunlop, 3070 West Bay Road, St. Georges Channel, Nova Scotia, PID # 75140392, AAN # 04723376;

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that an “Order to Remedy Condition” be issued to Graham and John Dunlop, 3070 West Bay Road, St. Georges Channel, Nova Scotia, PID # 75140392, AAN # 04723376, subject to notice of proposed demolition in accordance with the legislation. The Order should state to the owners that the dwelling unit 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.

b) Port Hawkesbury Veterans Memorial Park Society re: Funding request;

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the funding request from the Port Hawkesbury Veterans Memorial Park Society be moved to budget deliberations. Motion carried.

c) Director of Finance re: Loan Guarantee

Moved by Deputy Warden MacLean, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Municipality of Richmond County guarantee a loan for the L’Ardoise and District Volunteer Fire Department in the amount of \$440,000 for the purpose of the Fire Department purchasing a new Freightliner 108SD truck with a 3,000 imperial gallon 1050 IGPM Tanker. Motion carried.

d) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Revised Appointments (2017-2018)

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that Municipal Council approve the Eastern District Planning Commission revised appointments for 2017-2018 as follows:

Administrator – Dangerous and Unsightly Premises: Sean Donovan
Alternate: John Bain

Building Inspectors: Harry Martell and Leon Leblanc
Alternates: Cyril Leblanc; David Mackenzie and Sean Donovan

Development Officer: Andrew Jones
Alternates: John Bain, Wanda Ryan; and Nathan MacLeod

Fire Inspector: Leon Leblanc
Sean Donovan; Harry Martell; David Mackenzie and Cyril Leblanc.

Motion carried. (Nay: Councillor Boucher)

e) ROC Society re: Funding Request

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that the funding request from the ROC Society in the amount of \$5,000 for expansion of the program and service space be approved, with each Councillor contributing \$1,000 from their infrastructure fund. Motion carried.

f) Shannon Mury re: Grant requests

- Louisdale Fleur de Lis Seniors Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District # 3 (\$1,000);
- Calvin Presbyterian Church, c/o Loch side Cemetery, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5 (\$300);
- River Bourgeois Community Services Society, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #4 (\$7,500);
- Acadiaville Community Centre Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #2 (\$1,000);
- Louisdale Lions Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #3 (\$15,000);
- Lennox Passage Yacht Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #2 (\$20,000).

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that the following grant requests be approved:

- \$1,000 to Louisdale Fleur de Lis Seniors Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District # 3;
- \$300 to Calvin Presbyterian Church, c/o Loch side Cemetery, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;
- \$7,500 to River Bourgeois Community Services Society, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #4;
- \$1,000 to Acadiaville Community Centre Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #2;
- \$15,000 to Louisdale Lions Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #3;
- \$20,000 to Lennox Passage Yacht Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #2.

Motion carried.

For Information Purposes:

- a) Municipality of Richmond County re: Road Closure Barren Hills Road, Ferguson Lake;

- b) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Operating Estimates for 2017-2018 fiscal year;
- c) Minister of Public Services and Procurement re: Postal Banking;
- d) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Road Name Change
- e) Nova Scotia Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal re: Road Name Change

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Mr. George Kehoe approached Council.

Mrs. Lisa Boudreau approached Council.

Mr. Richie Cotton approached Council.

Mr. Doug Begg approached Council.

Mr. Ross Wagg approached Council.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:47 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CHAIRPERSON