

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
FIRST ANNUAL SESSION OF THE 49TH COUNCIL
JULY 4, 2017; 7:00 P.M.; COUNCIL CHAMBERS

AGENDA

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

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

Warden Marchand called the meeting to order at 7:08 PM and asked everyone to stand for the singing of O'Canada.

Roll Call of Councillors

The Executive Assistant took roll call of Councillors.

Presentations

There was no presentation

Items Added to the Agenda

There were 2 items previously added to the agenda by Councillor Martell (Signage for Burells Road) and Councillor Goyetche (Arichat Playground).

Deputy Warden MacLean requested and received unanimous consent to add a grant request from L'Ardoise Parish Council/Community Center.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the agenda be approved with the items added. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes:

- a) June 12, 2017 (Emergency Council Meeting)

It was noted that nays were not recorded on the motion regarding the approval of the salary scales.

b) May 23, 2017 (Regular Meeting)

It was noted that the Councillor name be corrected on page 5 of the minutes.

c) May 23, 2017 (Public Hearing)

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that the minutes of June 12, 2017 (Emergency Council Meeting), May 23, 2017 (Regular Council) and May 23, 2017 (Public Hearing) be approved with noted corrections. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

a) Committee of the Whole

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

- \$250 to Loch Lomond Volunteer Fire Department, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;
- \$250 to Loch Lomond Volunteer Fire Department, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;
- \$500 to Louisdale Lions Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3;
- \$250 to Grand River Volunteer Fire Department, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;

Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden MacLean, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that all grant applications, infrastructure and activity, be directed to the Department of Finance for vetting and review before going to Council with a recommendation. Motion defeated. (Nays: Warden Marchand, Councillor Boucher).

Moved by Deputy Warden MacLean, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee of the Whole Report for the month of June 2017 be adopted. Motion carried.

Annual Appointments:

- a) Signing Officers (Chief Administrative Officer and Warden; with Director of Finance and Deputy Warden as alternates);

It was the consensus of Council that the following appointments remain the same for the Municipality of Richmond: Signing Officers (Chief Administrative Officer and Warden; with Director of Finance and Deputy Warden as alternates)

CAO re: Memo's from Director of Finance

1. Area Rates (Louisdale Sidewalks)

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Director of Finance and that the Louisdale Sidewalks area rate remain at .10 cents as a result of the shortfall being transferred from the accumulated balance in the District #3 Infrastructure Fund. Motion carried.

2. Area Rates

It was the consensus of Council that the approval of the proposed area rates be postponed until the September 2017 Council meeting. It was also the consensus that in the list of rates District #2 Community Rate be changed to read District #1 and District #4 Community Rate be changed to read District #2.

3. Final Budget for year ending March 31, 2018

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that Municipal Council give approval to the municipal estimates of revenues and expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2018 in the amount of \$13,744,481;

AND FURTHER MOVED THAT WHEREAS pursuant to the Municipal Act, the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Richmond estimates that sums amounting to \$9,248,056 are required for the lawful purpose of the said Municipality for the year ending March 31, 2018, after crediting the probable revenue from all sources other than rates for the said year and making due allowance for the abatement and losses which may occur in the collection of the taxes and for taxes for the said year which may not be collectible or collected;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby authorizes the levying and collection of a residential rate of .80¢ on each \$100 of the assessed value of residential property assessed on the assessment roll and a commercial rate of \$2.10; which rates said Council deems sufficient to raise the sums required to defray the expenditures of the said Municipality for this year, and any deficit from the preceding years;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby imposes an additional percentage charge of 18 percent per annum on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby fixes the 30th day of September, 2017 as the day on which the Tax Collector or Treasurer may proceed to issue warrants for the collection of all rates and taxes then unpaid. Motion defeated (Nays: Councillor Boucher, Warden Marchand).

CAO re:

- a) Vehicle Tracking Log

It was the consensus of Council that Councillors be provided access to the GPS Tracking system of municipal vehicles.

- b) Organizational Review Report

For information purposes.

Correspondence

Action Required

- a) Isle Madame Tourism and Trade Association, Lisa Boudreau re: Request for Municipal Proponent on Isle Madame Façade Application;

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Staff (Director of Public Works, Director of Finance and the Recreation Manager) be instructed to meet with the Tourism groups to hear the Tourism presentations originally scheduled for July 4, 2017. Motion carried.

Councillor Goyetche arrived at the meeting at 7:58 p.m.

- b) Chris Boudreau, P.Eng. re: Tender Award Recommendation –MOCR201713 – French Cove Water Extension;

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that further discussion take place with the Director of Public Works regarding the Tender Award recommendation for the French Cove Water Extension Engineering and the high cost of the design phase. Motion carried.

- c) Chris Boudreau, P.Eng. re: Toulouse Street Sewer

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Deputy Warden MacLean that further discussions take place between Councillor Boucher and the Director of Public Works regarding the Toulouse Street Sewer Project. Motion carried.

d) Grant Requests

- Sacred Heart Ladies Group, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5 (\$450);
- La Picasse, Community and Cultural Centre, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #1 (\$15,000);
- Lennox Passage Yacht Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #2 (\$500);
- L'Ardoise Parish Council/Community Center, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5 (\$300).

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

- \$450 to Sacred Heart Ladies Group, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5;
- \$15,000 to La Picasse, Community and Cultural Centre, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #1;
- \$500 to Lennox Passage Yacht Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #2;
- \$300 to L'Ardoise Parish Council/Community Center, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5.

Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda

Councillor Martell re: Erection of sign on Burells road off Highway 206

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council direct staff (Yvonne Boudreau) to send a letter to Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal requesting the erection of signage on Burells road off of Highway 206. Motion carried.

Councillor Goyetche re: Arichat Playground

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Arichat playground located on Municipal property (AAN# 09055649 and PID# 75122309) be upgraded to ensure the safety of local children and residents by removing and replacing broken benches, swings and any other unsafe equipment at a cost to the municipality no greater than \$10,000 AND FURTHER MOVED that Public Works and Recreation Staff be involved in the project and that Councillor Goyetche monitor and oversee the project. Motion carried.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Richard Cotton approached Council.

Yvon Samson approached Council.

Robert Fougere approached Council.

Ron Dauphinee (Department of Municipal Affairs) approached Council.

“In-Camera” session, if required

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that the meeting move to an “In Camera” Session at 9:02 p.m.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the meeting revert back to Regular session at 9:26 p.m.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:26 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

CHAIRPERSON