

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

OCTOBER 23, 2018

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Deputy Warden James Goyetche, Councillor Alvin Martell
Warden Brian Marchand, Councillor Gilbert Boucher,
Councillor Jason MacLean CAO, Kent Macintyre
CFO, Jason Martell, Director of Public Works, Chris Boudreau

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.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Moved by Councillor MacLean, seconded by Councillor Martell that the agenda be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes:

a) September 24, 2018

Moved by Deputy Warden Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the minutes of September 24, 2018 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Election of Warden and Deputy Warden

Nominations called by the CAO for the Appointment of Warden

The CAO called for nominations for the position of Warden.

Councillor Boucher nominated Warden Marchand for the position of Warden, for the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Warden Marchand accepted the nomination.

The CAO called for further nominations.

The CAO called for further nominations, three times.

Councillor Martell nominated Councillor MacLean for the position of Warden, for the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Councillor MacLean accepted the nomination.

The CAO declared that nominations cease.

Voting was conducted by secret ballot and Councillor MacLean was elected as the Warden for the County of Richmond.

Warden Jason MacLean addressed Council and the public gallery acknowledging Council's decision and expressing thanks.

Nominations called by the Warden for the Appointment of Deputy Warden

Warden Jason MacLean called for nominations for the position of Deputy Warden.

Councillor Boucher nominated Councillor Marchand for the position of Deputy Warden, for the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Councillor Marchand accepted the nomination.

Warden MacLean called for further nominations, three times.

Warden MacLean declared that nominations cease.

Councillor Marchand thus becomes Deputy Warden, for the County of Richmond.

Presentation from District Planning Commission, John Bain re: Variance Appeal for PID# 75139196 (Lands of Terry and Margaret Boudreau), 9137 Pepperell Street, St. Peters, Richmond County, Nova Scotia

a) Staff Presentation - John Bain

Mr. Bain gave a power point presentation regarding the granted variance for PID# 75139196 (Lands of Terry and Margaret Boudreau), 9137 Pepperell Street, St. Peters, Richmond County, Nova Scotia (Attached)

b) Appellants - written submissions

Warden MacLean indicated that written submissions, in opposition, had been received.

c) Appellants - verbal submissions

- **Germaine MacDonald**
- **Barry Bouchard**

Verbal submissions (in opposition) were presented regarding the appeal of the granted variance for PID# 75139196 (Lands of Terry and Margaret Boudreau), 9137 Pepperell Street, St. Peters, Richmond County, Nova Scotia.

d) Applicant - Mr. Terry Boudreau

Mr. Terry Boudreau gave a verbal submission, in favor of the granted variance for his property.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden Marchand that the variance for PID# 75139196 (Lands of Terry and Margaret Boudreau), 9137 Pepperell Street, St. Peters, Richmond County, Nova Scotia be approved. Motion carried.

Committee Reports

a) Committee of the Whole

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Communication Strategy for the Municipality of Richmond County be approved with the noted change to have "All media sources" added. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the current Non-Smoking By-Law #55 remain as the municipal law to be followed in addition to the Provincial Smoke Free Places Act. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality of the County of Richmond enter into an inter-municipal agreement with the Town of Port Hawkesbury, Municipality of the County of Inverness, Municipality of the County of Victoria, the Village of Baddeck and the Town of Mulgrave to cost share 50% in conjunction with Efficiency Nova Scotia for a cost-effective opportunity to secure shared technical and engineering services to assist municipalities with potential energy cost savings. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that the Committee of the Whole Report for the month of OCTOBER 2018 be adopted. Motion carried.

b) Richmond Villa Board

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden Marchand that Council accept the recommendation of the Richmond Villa Board and appoint Mrs. Liz Campbell as a member at large board member. Motion carried. (Nay: Councillor Boucher)

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the monthly report of the Richmond Villa Board for the month of October 2018 be adopted. Motion carried.

CAO re:

a) Village of St. Peter's re: Thank you letters

The CAO noted that two thank you letters had been received from the Village of St. Peter's and the St. Peter's Water utility extending sincere thanks for Mr. Chris Boudreau (Director of Public Works) for his invaluable assistance during the French Cove and Toulouse Street Extension Projects.

Correspondence
Action Required

a) Grant Requests - Ecole Beau Port (CSAP) - Type 1 Infrastructure Grant - \$5,000

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the grant request from École Beau Port (CSAP) – Type 1 Infrastructure Grant in the amount of \$5,000, be approved, pending written confirmation that the proposed new Natural Playground would be available for use during all non-school hours to the residents of Richmond County. Motion carried.

Councillor Martell - Second Reading Approval - By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, in order to include a conditional exemption for the West Arichat & District Village Circle Group indicating should the current usage of the property change, the tax exemption benefit would be withdrawn and that any arrangement through a sub-lease, partnership, partial ownership or new ownership will not result in a carry-over of the tax exemption benefit. (Attached as Appendix "A")

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that Second Reading Approval be given to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, in order to include a conditional exemption for the West Arichat & District Village Circle Group indicating should the current usage of the property change, the tax exemption benefit would be withdrawn and that any arrangement through a sub-lease, partnership, partial ownership or new ownership will not result in a carry-over of the tax exemption benefit. Motion carried.

Deputy Warden Goyetche – First Reading Approval to amend By-Law #56 to reflect the attached changes and remove them from the listing (Appendix “B”)

Properties no longer eligible:

3075877 MASONIC LODGE (New Owner: Ship Harbour Properties Ltd.)
1193384 ISLE MADAME DAY CARE (New Owner: 3312593 NS Ltd.)
1414836 L'ARDOISE MEDICAL CENTRE (New Owner: Sampson, Sherry Anne)
4176588 WEST ARICHAT DISTRICT (New Owner: Covin, Peter Joseph)

Properties currently provincially exempt:

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3317951 MOWAT ENVIRONMENTAL INST. (NOVA SCOTIA NATURE TRUST)
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Motion carried.

Director of Public Works, Chris Boudreau re: Street Light Policy (Appendix "C") - Review of the Municipality's Street Light Policy "General Provisions" to determine if Council wishes for private roads to qualify for street lights.

It was the consensus of Council that the Director of Public Works research street light policies of other Municipalities as it relates to lighting of private roads and report back to Council with further information.

Deputy Warden Goyetche re: Sewer Extension – Fougère Point Road

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Deputy Warden Marchand that the Director of Public Works have a feasibility study completed and report back to Council with the results regarding the extension of the sewer line to incorporate 5 un-serviced lots on Fougère Point Road in Petit de Grat. Motion carried.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Mrs. Germaine MacDonald approached Council.

"In Camera" Session (If Required)

There was no "In Camera" Session

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:06 p.m.

CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON
