

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

JANUARY 28, 2019

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

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

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

Review of Minutes:

a) November 26, 2018 Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the minutes of November 26, 2018 Regular Council meeting be approved. Motion carried.

b) January 14, 2019 Special Council

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the minutes of the January 14, 2019 Special Council meeting 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 a one year extension to

March 31, 2020 be granted to the Lennox Passage Yacht Club in expending the funds relating to their infrastructure grant. 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 Council's stipend be adjusted to reflect the appropriate adjustment to mitigate the CRA Tax Reform effective January 1, 2019. Motion carried. (Nay: Deputy Warden Marchand).

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Type 2, Activity Grant request, for Development Isle Madame, in the amount of \$500, be approved. 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 Strategic Plan 2019-2024 for the Municipality of the County of Richmond be approved. Motion carried. (Nay: Deputy Warden Marchand).

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Mr. Doug Begg and Mr. Robert Wambolt be appointed as the two Members at Large on the Planning Advisory/Heritage Committee and that Mr. Richie Cotton be appointed as the Member at Large on the Audit Committee. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that the Committee of the Whole Report for the month of JANUARY 2019 be adopted. Motion carried.

b) Villa Board

Warden MacLean thanked Councillor Boucher for his years of service on the Richmond Villa Board.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Richmond Villa Board and accept the resignation of Councillor Boucher as a member of the Richmond Villa Board. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Richmond Villa Board Report for the month of January 2019 be adopted. Motion carried.

c) By-Law Committee

It was the consensus of Council that Under the procedure section #6 in the Street Light Policy, the 3rd point read as follows: "The Director of Public Works shall consult with the Councillor re: the lighting request".

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the By-Law Committee and that notice be given to amend the Street Light Policy with the changes noted during the Committee meeting. Motion carried. (Nay: Deputy Warden Marchand).

It was the consensus of Council that #8 of the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Policy be amended to say “Complainant/District Councillor.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that Council accept the recommendation of the By-Law Committee and that notice be given to amend the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Policy with the changes noted during the Committee meeting. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the By-Law Committee and give notice to adopt By-Law #65, Noise By-Law as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond, which will replace By-Law #8, Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the By-Law Committee and give notice to repeal By-Law #8 – Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law which will be replaced by By-Law #65, Noise By-Law. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the By-Law Committee and give notice to adopt the Code of Conduct Policy as a policy of the Municipality of Richmond County. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the By-Law Committee Report for the month of JANUARY 2019 be adopted. Motion carried.

Notice to be Given to amend the Street Light Policy to add section 6, “procedures” and to include Private roads with limitations, add in the maximum street lights per District/per year and the minimum number of permanent residences on a private road in order to qualify for street lights. (Attached as Appendix “A”)

Warden MacLean indicated that Municipal Council hereby gives notice that a motion would be introduced at the next Regular Council meeting to amend the Street Light Policy to add section 6, “procedures” and to include Private roads with limitations, the noted changes to #6 (Procedures) and add in the maximum street lights per District/per year and the minimum number of permanent residences on a private road in order to qualify for street lights.

Notice to be Given to amend the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Policy to allow for the submission of complaint forms by Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Richmond (Attached as Appendix “B”)

Warden MacLean indicated that Municipal Council hereby gives notice that a motion would be introduced at the next Regular Council meeting to amend the Dangerous and Unsightly Premises Policy to allow for the submission of complaint forms by Councillors of the Municipality of the County of Richmond

Notice to be Given to adopt By-Law #65, Noise By-Law as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. (Attached as Appendix “C”)

Warden MacLean indicated that Municipal Council hereby gives notice that a motion would be introduced at the next Regular Council meeting to give **First Reading Approval** to adopt By-Law #65, Noise By-Law as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Notice to be Given to repeal By-Law #8, Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law (Attached as Appendix “D”) which will be replaced with By-Law #65, Noise By-Law.

Warden MacLean indicated that Municipal Council hereby gives notice that a motion would be introduced at the next Regular Council meeting to give **First Reading Approval** to repeal By-Law #8, Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law which will be replaced with By-Law #65, Noise By-Law.

Notice to Given to adopt the Code of Conduct Policy as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. (Attached as Appendix “E”)

Warden MacLean indicated that Municipal Council hereby gives notice that a motion would be introduced at the next Regular Council meeting to adopt the Code of Conduct Policy as a policy of the Municipality of the County of Richmond.

Correspondence
Action Required

a) CAO, Kent MacIntyre re: Richmond Villa Board of Directors Vacancy

Deputy Warden Marchand nominated Councillor Martell to be the new Council representative on the Richmond Villa Board.

Councillor Martell declined the nomination.

Deputy Warden Marchand nominated Councillor Goyetche to be the new Council representative on the Richmond Villa Board.

Councillor Goyetche declined the nomination.

Deputy Warden Marchand nominated Councillor Martell, a second time, to be the new Council representative on the Richmond Villa Board.

Councillor Martell accepted the nomination.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that nominations cease. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Councillor Martell be declared the new Council representative on the Richmond Villa Board. Motion carried.

b) CAO, Kent MacIntyre re: Strait of Canso Lead Stakeholder Group

The CAO gave a power point presentation and noted that based on the value proposition for regional economic development, and improved collaboration and access to vital regional marketing and branding materials; it is recommended to proceed with the expenditure of \$5,000.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that the Municipality of the County of Richmond contribute \$5,000 to the Strait of Canso Working Group, pending approval of requested contributions from the other economic development partners and municipalities. Motion carried. (Nays: Deputy Warden Marchand, Councillor Boucher)

Warden MacLean noted the following:

One of the better-known benefits of volunteering is the impact on the community. Volunteers support our communities and add to them in their own unique way using a wide variety of skill, knowledge and experience.

Each year as we celebrate Volunteer Week, our primary purpose is to thank and honour people who donate their time to help others. In previous years we have coordinated recognition banquets, however; this year we have chosen to do something different.

This year (2019) in an effort to recognize volunteers and the value they offer to many communities within Richmond County we are planning a cost effective approach which does offer high value recognition.

This year we will acknowledge 10 volunteers, 2 per district at a recognition ceremony which will be held the Richmond County Council Chambers.

A selection committee, which includes Councillors, will choose the 10 volunteers that will be acknowledged and one volunteer from the region to receive a provincial volunteer award at a reception in Halifax, April 1, 2019

The presentation to the 10 volunteers will follow the Regular Council Meeting on April 23rd (April is volunteer month).

You are encouraged to nominate a deserving volunteer from your community to receive an award. The categories for this year's nominations are as follows:

- 1). Family Award
- 2). Youth Award
- 3). Representative Award

For Information Purposes

- a) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Operating Estimates 2019-2020
- b) Ainsley MacNeil re: Thank you

For information purposes.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Mrs. Helen Slade approached Council regarding an item on the agenda.
Mrs. Germaine MacDonald approached Council regarding an item on the agenda.
Mr. Robbie Fougere approached Council regarding an item on the agenda.

“In Camera” Session (Legal Contract)

There was no “In Camera” Session

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON
