

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 25, 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, Chief Financial Officer,
Jason Martell

Warden MacLean called the meeting to order at 7:01 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 following 3 items were previously added to the agenda:

- a) Deputy Warden Marchand re: Discussion on EDPC Costs
- b) Deputy Warden Marchand re: Regional Enterprise Networks
- c) Councillor Alvin Martell re: 2018-2019 Sundry Budget Account

Deputy Warden Marchand requested and received unanimous consent to add a St. Peters Trail discussion to the agenda.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the agenda be accepted with the items added. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes

- a) February 25, 2019 Regular Council

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Martell that the minutes of February 25, 2019 Regular Council be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations

- a) RCMP (Sgt Darryl MacMullin, District Commander) re: Update

Warden MacLean welcomed Sergeant Darryl MacMullin, District Commander, to the meeting

Sergeant MacMullin gave a presentation to Council.

A question and answer period followed.

Warden MacLean thanked Sergeant MacMullin for the presentation.

Committee Reports

- a) Heritage Advisory Committee
- b) Opportunity for the property owner (Diocese of Antigonish) to appear and be heard before Council

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Heritage Advisory Committee and that notice of registration of this property (PID 75033100) be placed on the Municipal Registry of Heritage Property and notice of such registration shall be sent to the Diocese of Antigonish and to the Whiteside Church Preservation Society and that a copy of the registration shall be deposited in the Registry of Deeds for the district in which the municipal heritage property is located. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Heritage Advisory Committee Report for the month of March 2019 be adopted. Motion carried.

Second Reading Approval - To adopt By-Law #65, Noise By-Law as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. (Attached as Appendix "A")

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Martell that Second Reading Approval be given to adopt By-Law #65, Noise By-Law as a By-Law of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

Second Reading Approval - To repeal By-Law #8, Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law (Attached as Appendix "B") which will be replaced with By-Law #65, Noise By-Law

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that Second Reading Approval be given to repeal By-Law #8, Mischiefs and Nuisances By-Law (Attached as Appendix "B") which will be replaced with By-Law #65, Noise By-Law. Motion carried.

Second Reading Approval - Councillor Martell –To amend By-Law #56 to include the Rocky Bay Ballfield, AAN#10587255 Council Meeting to amend By-Law #56 – Tax Exemption By- Law (Attached as Appendix "C") Version #3

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Second Reading Approval be given to amend By-Law #56 to include the Rocky Bay Ballfield,

AAN#10587255 Council Meeting to amend By-Law #56 – Tax Exemption By-Law (Version #3). Motion carried

First Reading Approval - Deputy Warden Marchand - to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, in order to cap the current assessment account numbers included and not consider any new applicant requests for exemptions other than those currently pending (Attached as Appendix “D”) Version #4

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that First Reading Approval be given to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, in order to cap the current assessment account numbers included and not consider any new applicant requests for exemptions other than those currently pending (Version #4). Motion carried.

First Reading Approval - Councillor Martell –to amend By-Law #56 in order to include property account # 05410347, piece of land located between Ecole Beau Port and the soccer field (Attached as Appendix “E”). Version #5

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that First Reading Approval be given to amend By-Law #56 in order to include property account # 05410347, piece of land located between Ecole Beau Port and the soccer field (Version #5). Motion carried.

**Correspondence
Action Required**

- a) The Epilepsy Association of Nova Scotia re: Purple Day, March 26, 2019;

It was the consensus of Council that the following proclamation be adopted:

Whereas Purple Day is a global effort dedicated to promoting epilepsy awareness in countries around the world, and

Whereas Purple Day was founded in 2008 by Cassidy Megan, a nine year old girl from Nova Scotia, who wanted people to know that if you have epilepsy, you are not alone, and

Whereas epilepsy is one of the most common neurological conditions, estimated to affect more than 50 million people worldwide, and more than 300,000 people in Canada, and

Whereas the public is often unable recognize the common seizure types, or how to respond with appropriate first aid, and

Whereas Purple Day will be celebrated on March 26th annually to increase understanding, reduce stigma and improve the quality of life for people with epilepsy throughout the country and globally,

I therefore proclaim March 26, 2019 Purple Day in Nova Scotia, in an effort to raise epilepsy awareness everywhere.

b) Chief Financial Officer re: Grant Requests

- River Bourgeois Mariner Society - Type 1 - Infrastructure grant - \$4,676.25

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the grant request from the River Bourgeois Mariner Society, Type 1, Infrastructure grant, in the amount of \$4,676.25, be approved. Motion carried.

- Fourchu Development Association - Type 1 - Infrastructure grant - \$4,973.75

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden Marchand that the grant request from the Fourchu Development Association, Type 1, Infrastructure grant, in the amount of \$4,973.75, be approved. Motion carried.

- Bonnie Brae Senior Citizens Club - Type 1 - Infrastructure grant - \$4,932.75

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the grant request from the Bonnie Brae Senior Citizens Club, Type 1, Infrastructure grant, in the amount of \$4,932.75, be approved. Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda

a) Deputy Warden Marchand re: Discussion on EDPC Costs

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that one year notice be given of the Municipality of Richmond County's intent to leave the Eastern District Planning Commission (EDPC). Motion carried. (Nays: Warden MacLean, Councillor Goyetche)

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Martell that Staff conduct an updated cost analysis of the Eastern District Planning Commission and report back to Council with the findings. Motion carried. (Nays: Warden MacLean, Councillor Goyetche)

b) Deputy Warden Marchand re: Regional Enterprise Networks

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council give notice of its intent to leave the Cape Breton Regional Enterprise Network (CBREN).

Moved by Councillor Goyetche that the motion be tabled until such time that Council received more information including a scheduled presentation by the CEO of the Cape Breton Regional Enterprise Network.

There was no seconder. Motion lost.

Main motion was approved as follows:

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council give notice of its intent to leave the Cape Breton Regional Enterprise Network (CBREN). Motion carried. (Nays: Warden MacLean, Councillor Goyetche)

c) Councillor Alvin Martell re: 2018-2019 Sundry Budget Account

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council direct the CAO to instruct the Chief Financial Officer to print and distribute a computer generated copy of the 2018-2019 Sundry Budget account to all Councillors immediately following this meeting.

Deputy Warden Marchand requested permission from the mover to amend the motion to remove the words ``following the meeting``. The mover agreed. Thus the motion becomes:

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council direct the CAO to instruct the Chief Financial Officer to print and distribute a computer generated copy of the 2018-2019 Sundry Budget account to all Councillors immediately.

The Chair ruled that the motion was out of order.

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand that the Chair`s ruling be appealed (3 Times).

The Chair, in response, indicated that there was a process to receive the requested information and that his ruling could not be challenged and furthermore indicated that Council would seek legal advice on the matter.

Councillor Boucher requested that his support for the proposed motion regarding the Sundry account detail be recorded in the minutes.

St. Peter`s Trail

Moved by Deputy Warden Marchand, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Staff schedule a meeting between the Crown, Department of Natural Resources and Council regarding the trail which runs between River Tillard and St. Peter`s in order to gain accurate information on its status. Motion carried.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Mrs. Germaine MacDonald approached Council.

Mr. Barry Landry approached Council.

Mrs. Lisa Boudreau approached Council.

Ms. Ellen Pollegato approached Council.

“In Camera” Session (Municipal Property)

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the meeting move to an “In Camera” Session at 8:31 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Goyetche that the meeting revert to Regular Session at 8:46 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Goyetche, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Revenue Manager and CFO and that Council authorize the Revenue Manager and CFO to determine a minimum acceptable bid on the four noted properties and if these properties do not see for the minimum acceptable bid, to proceed and see the properties for any bid. Motion carried.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:48 p.m.

CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON
