

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING**

**SEPTEMBER 26, 2011**

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Deputy Warden A. Martell, Councillor V. David  
Councillor M. Beaton, Councillor S. McNamara  
Councillor B. Marchand, Councillor G. Boucher  
Councillor S. MacNeil, Councillor S. Sampson  
Councillor G. Johnson

Deputy Warden Martell called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added to the agenda.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: September 6, 2011

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the minutes of September 6, 2011 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Tabled from Previous Meeting: Property of Mathilda Forgeron and Cornelius Bonin, 1002 Highway 206, West Arichat (PID #75189209; AAN #01541595)

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee recommend to Council to accept the recommendation of the Municipality's Administrator for Dangerous and Unsightly Premises and that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued to Mathilda Forgeron and Cornelius Bonin, 1002 Highway 206, West Arichat (PID #75189209; AAN #01541595) and that the Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council, instructing that the buildings 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.

Correspondence:

(a) Vested Property Clerk re: Former St. Peter's School Property

Mr. Stanley reported the following:

- Previous actions taken on former schools were similar to the actions taken to date regarding the former St. Peter's School.
- In the past when the Municipality is unable to sell a property and building, the Municipality tenders the demolition and removal of buildings.

The following points were brought forth during discussion:

- The tender should specify that the foundation is to be removed during the demolition process
- There are old fuel tanks on the property that should be removed during the process as well

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor MacNeil that the Committee recommend to Council to accept the recommendation of the Vested Property Clerk and tender the former St. Peter's School building for demolition and further moved that the tender specifies the removal of the foundation and oil tanks and that the remaining parcel of land be sold in an attempt to recover as much of the costs associated with the demolition as possible. Motion carried.

(b) Chief Financial Officer re:

(i) Addition to By-Law #56/Dr. W.B. Kingston Memorial Clinic

Mr. Stanley noted the following:

- The CFO has indicated that the Dr. W.B. Kingston Memorial Clinic, account number 10286352, qualifies as a registered charitable organization (#892564469RR0001).
- There is a request to have the addition to the clinic included in By-Law #56

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the Committee accepts the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer and recommend to Council that the addition to the Dr. W.B. Kingston Memorial Clinic, account number 10286352 be added to By-Law #56 Tax Exemption By-Law. Motion carried.

(ii) Borrowing Resolution/L'Ardoise Volunteer Fire Department

Mr. Stanley reported the following:

- The CFO has indicated that the L'Ardoise Volunteer Fire department has been approved for a borrowing resolution in the amount of \$160,335
- The fire department would like to purchase a 2012 500 gallon pumper truck
- They will contribute \$50,000 of their own funds and will be amortizing the loan over ten years

- Their loan payments will be \$19,476 per year and will be financed from their annual levy

Moved by Councillor MacNeil, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee accept the recommendation of the Chief Financial Officer and recommend to Council to approve a borrowing resolution in the amount of \$160,335, to be amortized over a ten year period, for the L'Ardoise Volunteer Fire department to purchase a 2012 500 gallon pumper truck. Motion carried.

(c) Mrs. Tracy Randall/Mrs. Shannon Diggdon re: Grant Requests

- Friends of Isle Madame Provincial Park Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3 (\$200);
- Friends of Isle Madame Provincial Park, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3 (\$100);
- West Bay Community Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #5 (\$2,500);
- River Bourgeois Mariners Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #7 (\$500);
- Lakeside Community Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #8 (\$500);
- Richmond County Literacy Network, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts (\$1,100);
- Bras D'Or Lake Biosphere Reserve, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts (\$3,500)

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee recommend to Council the approval of the following grant requests:

- \$200, Friends of Isle Madame Provincial Park Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3;
- \$100, Friends of Isle Madame Provincial Park, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3;
- \$2,500, West Bay Community Association, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #5;
- \$500, River Bourgeois Mariners Society, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #7;
- \$500, Lakeside Community Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #8;
- \$1,100, Richmond County Literacy Network, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts;

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Marchand that the Committee recommend to Council and approve the grant request submitted by the Bras D'Or Lakes Biosphere Reserve Association, from various Municipal District Activity Funds, in the amount of \$3,500 and that an additional \$1,500 be contributed from general revenue. Motion carried.

(d) Chelsey Landry re: Thank You

For information purposes.

Mr. Stanley will inform Council of the amount that was contributed.

Approval of Cheques: June and July, 2011

Councillor David declared a conflict of interest because of cheques written to his business and removed himself from discussions.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee approve the list of cheques issued for the month of June, 2011, in the amount of \$749,045.64 and the list of cheques issued for the month of July, 2011 in the amount of \$1,045,719.66. Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda

There were no items added.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

There were no questions from the gallery.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Sampson that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

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CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER