

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING

MARCH 2, 2015

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

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

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

Items Added to the Agenda

Warden David indicated that two items had previously been added to the agenda by Shannon Mury and Warden David.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Deputy Warden McNamara that the agenda be approved with the items added. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: February 9, 2015

Moved by Deputy Warden McNamara, seconded by Councillor Martell that the minutes of February 9, 2015 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

CAO re

- a) Residents of St. Peter's re: Fire Protection for the Village of St. Peter's.

Warden David welcomed Ms. Connie Martin, Ms. Shirley Martin, Ms. Ramonda Martin and Mr. Donnie Mariner to the meeting.

Ms. Martin made a presentation to the Committee (Copy attached) and noted the following:

- The residents of St. Peter's request that a portion of their fire protection be paid from general taxes collected by the County or in the form of a grant to the St. Peter's Samsonville & Area Water Utility;
- A petition was signed by the taxpayers of St. Peter's.

The following points were brought forth during discussion:

- A \$975,000 investment was made by Richmond County into the St. Peter's Samsonville Water Utility;
- Council would discuss potential options for assistance
- Financial statements from the Village of St. Peter's or the St. Peter's/Samsonville Water Utility have not been provided to the County for several years.

Warden David thanked Mrs. Connie Martin, Ms. Shirley Martin, Ms. Ramonda Martin and Mr. Donnie Mariner for their presentation.

Correspondence

Action Required

- a) Eastern District Planning Commission re: Revised Appointments (2015-2016)

The CAO noted that correspondence had been received from the Eastern District Planning Commission requesting the approval of the revised appointments for 2015-2016.

Moved by Deputy Warden McNamara, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Committee recommend to Council that the following EDPC Commission staff appointments for 2015-16 be approved:

- Administrator - Dangerous and Unsightly Premises: Sean Donovan
- Alternate: John Bain

- Building Inspector - Leon LeBlanc
- Alternate: Harry Martell; Cyril Leblanc; David MacKenzie

- Assistant Building Inspector and Special Constable: Sean Donovan

- Development Officer: Andrew Jones
- Alternate: John Bain; Wanda Ryan; Nathan MacLeod

- Fire Inspector: Sean Donovan
- Alternate: Leon LeBlanc; Harry Martell; Cyril Leblanc

Motion carried.

Approval of Cheques Issued - January 2015

Warden David declared a conflict of interest because there were cheques written to his personal business and asked Deputy Warden McNamara to Chair the meeting in his absence and removed himself from discussion.

Moved by Councillor Samson, seconded by Councillor Martell that the list of cheques issued for the month of January 2015 in the amount of \$1,375,519.48 (General Account), \$17,887.93 (Water Account) and \$11,629.18 (Receiver General for Canada – Online payments) be approved. (Ayes: 8: Nay: 1 Councillor Boucher) Motion carried.

Review of Cheques – February 2015

For Information purposes.

Items Added to the Agenda

1. Shannon Mury re: Grant Requests

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Martell that the Committee recommend to Council that the following grant requests be approved:

- Rocky Bay Irish Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3 \$300;
- Telile Community Television, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts \$800.

Motion carried.

2. Warden David re: Prosperity Framework Social Enterprise Team

Warden David indicated that the Prosperity Framework Social Enterprise Team was seeking a municipal representative. He also indicated that interested parties should email the Warden for consideration.

3. Warden David re: Core Community Funding Policy

A discussion took place regarding the guidelines of the policy and the need to enforce each guideline or make appropriate changes. The following points were brought forth:

- Organizations that qualify for Core Community Funding are not eligible for other monies throughout the year, as per the Core Community Funding Policy;
- There is a policy in place and it is not being followed;
- This topic needs to be discussed much further;
- If this is a policy the municipality has in place, it needs to be adhered to or changed;

Fifteen Minute Question Period

Ms. Germaine MacDonald addressed the Committee regarding an item on the agenda.

Mr. Barry Culligan addressed the Committee regarding an item on the agenda.

Mr. Mike Abbott addressed the Committee regarding an item on the agenda.

Mr. Ed Sampson addressed the Committee regarding an item on the agenda.

In-Camera

Moved by Deputy Warden McNamara, seconded by Councillor Martell that the meeting proceed to “In-Camera” session at 8:06 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that the meeting reconvene to regular session at 8:29 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Martell that Warden David, Councillor MacNeil and the Director of Finance meet with the interested parties in St. Peter’s to discuss fire protection. Motion carried.

Adjournment

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

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 8:32 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

CAO/MUNICIPAL CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON