

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING – COUNCIL CHAMBERS
OCTOBER 11, 2022

Location: Council Chambers

Present: Councillor Shawn Samson, Councillor Michael Diggdon,
Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson, Warden Amanda Mombourquette,
Councillor Brent Sampson, Troy MacCulloch, Chief Administrative
Officer, Chris Boudreau, Director of Public Works, Shannon Mury,
Recreation Manager, Jason Martell, Chief Financial Officer

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Items Added to the Agenda (Approval of Agenda)

Warden Amanda Mombourquette requested to add the following items:

- ACTing Collectively – Update
- By-Law Enforcement Officer Partnership Opportunity
- Provincial Amendments to Marketing Levies, Terry Smith, Destination Cape Breton

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

Review of Minute: September 12, 2022, Committee of the Whole

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson that the minutes of the September 12, 2022 Committee of the Whole meeting be approved as corrected. Motion carried.

Presentations:

a) Request for road maintenance on Wall Street, St. George’s Channel Estates – Paul Wall

Mr. Wall presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding Wall Street.

b) Highland Village Project – Rodney Chaisson

Mr. Chaisson presented a PowerPoint presentation regarding the Highland Village project.

Warden Mombourquette re:

a) Cape Breton South Recruiting for Health Team re: Recruiting Update

For information purposes

b) Accessibility Advisory Committee re – Committee Report

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon to approve the Accessibility Advisory Committee report as corrected. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson that Staff create and submit an advertisement in the local paper, inviting community members with lived experience to consider applying to become a member of the Accessibility Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

Community Acknowledgements

For information purposes.

Correspondence - Action Required

a) Clint Samson, Revenue Manager re: – Tax Reduction Due to Fire, Property AAN#03000672

Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson that taxes in the amount of \$153.15 be written off, which represents taxes on the dwelling only from August 17, 2022 to March 31, 2023, for property AAN 03000672, owned by Sheila Latimer, which was completely destroyed by fire. Motion carried.

b) Glenn Horne, CAO, Municipality of County of Antigonish re: - Cellular Advocacy Letter

Moved by Councillor Brent Sampson, seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon that Council support the Cellular Advocacy Letter as drafted by Glenn Home, Chief Administrative Officer for the Municipality of the County of Antigonish. Motion carried.

c) Jason Martell, CFO re: - Grant Request, Isle Madame Historical Society, Type 1 – Infrastructure Grants Funds (\$4,500.00)

Moved by Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson, seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson to defer the Isle Madame Historical Society Type 1 Infrastructure Grant request in the amount of \$4,500.00 to the next Regular Council meeting and FURTHER MOVE that Staff explore funding opportunities relating to the project with the Canadian Community Building Fund and report back to Council. Motion carried.

Correspondence - For Information Purposes

a) Port Hawkesbury Paper 2022 Fall News Letter

For information purposes.

Review of Cheques Issued: September 2022

For information purposes.

Review of Action Items from September 12, 2022 (Committee of the Whole Meeting)

For information purposes.

Items Added to the Agenda

a) ACTing Collectively

For information purposes.

b) By-Law Enforcement Officer Partnership Opportunity

The Council unanimously agreed to have Staff explore the by-law enforcement partnership opportunity and to provide an update at a future meeting.

c) Provincial Amendments to Marketing Levies – Terry Smith, CAO, Destination Cape Breton

The Council unanimously agreed to defer the decision of Council support to the next Regular Council meeting in order to acquire additional information.

15 Minute Question Period 902-226-9885 (Not Restricted to Items on the Agenda)

Celeste Gotell questioned Council regarding an item on the agenda.

“In Camera” Session

a) Briefing Note re: - Proposed Contract Negotiation

Moved by Councillor Michael Diggdon, seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon that the meeting move to an “In Camera” Session at 8:20 p.m. Motion Carried

Moved by Deputy Warden Melanie Sampson, seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon that the meeting revert to Regular Session at 9:00 p.m. Motion Carried

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:01 p.m.

CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON:
