



Committee of the Whole Meeting

September 11, 2023

- Location:** Council Chambers
- Present:** Councillor Shawn Samson, Councillor Michael Diggdon, Councillor Melanie Sampson, Deputy Warden Brent Sampson
- Staff:** Jason Martell, Chief Financial Officer, Chris Boudreau, Director of Public Works, Shannon Mury, Recreation & Community Relations Manager, Troy MacCulloch, Chief Administrative Officer, Shelley David, Municipal Clerk
- Other:** Max Chauvin and Carol Jamieson of Uplands REConsulting Group (Virtual), Ron Newcombe and Stan Johnson of The Bras d'Or Lakes Collaborative Environmental Planning Initiative (CEPI)
- Regrets:** Warden Amanda Mombourquette

Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 7:04 p.m.

Items Added to the Agenda (Approval of Agenda)

Councillor Michael Diggdon requested and received unanimous consent to add the following item:

- District 5 Garbage Pickup, Item # 12 (a)

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Councillor Melanie Sampson that the agenda be approved with the added item.

Motion carried.

Review of Minutes, June 12, 2023, Committee of the Whole

Moved by Councillor Michael Diggdon, seconded by Councillor Melanie Sampson that the minutes of June 12, 2023 Committee of the Whole be approved.

Motion carried.



Presentations

- a) Max Chauvin and Carol Jamieson of Upland REConsulting Group presented the Active Living Strategy and Recreation Plan presentation.

Moved by Councillor Melanie Sampson, seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to defer the decision to adoption the Active Living Strategy and Recreation Plan to the next regular council meeting.

Motion carried.

- b) Ron Newcombe and Stan Johnson of The Bras d'Or Lakes Collaborative Environmental Planning Initiative presented Who We Are and the Muiwatmnej Etuaptmumk (Honouring Two-eyed Seeing) CEPI Conference 2023 presentations.

Moved by Councillor Melanie Sampson seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to defer the decision of sponsorship for the Two Eyed Seeing Conference to the next regular council meeting.

Motion carried.

New Business

Committee Appointments

- a) Municipal Emergency Management Advisory Committee, Council Member Appointments (2);

The Chair called for nominations.

Councillor Michael Diggdon nominated Councillor Melanie Sampson.

Councillor Melanie Sampson accepted the nomination.

Councillor Shawn Samson nominated Warden Amanda Mombourquette.

The CAO, on behalf of the Warden, accepted the nomination.

Moved by Councillor Michael Diggdon and seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Councillor Melanie Sampson and Warden Amanda Mombourquette be appointed to the Municipal Emergency Management Advisory Committee.

Motion carried.



- b) Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee, Council Member Appointments (2);

The Chair called for nominations.

Councillor Michael Diggdon nominated Councillor Shawn Samson.

Councillor Shawn Samson accepted the nomination.

Councillor Melanie Sampson nominated Councillor Michael Diggdon.

Councillor Michael Diggdon accepted the nomination.

Moved by Councillor Melanie Sampson seconded by Councillor Michael Diggdon that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Councillor Michael Diggdon and Councillor Shawn Samson be appointed to the Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee.

Motion carried.

- c) Fences Arbitration Committee, Council Member Appointments (1)

The Chair called for nominations.

Councillor Michael Diggdon nominated Deputy Warden Brent Sampson.

Deputy Warden Brent Sampson accepted the nomination.

Moved by Councillor Michael Diggdon, seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council that Deputy Warden Brent Sampson be appointed to the Fences Arbitration Committee.

Motion carried.

Warden, Re: Review of Warden's Council Report

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Councillor Melanie Sampson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to accept the Warden's Council Report.

Motion Carried.

Deputy Warden, Re: Health Information Fridge Magnets for First Responders and EHS

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson, seconded by Councillor Melanie Sampson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to have staff investigate if



other Municipalities and Emergency Health Services have programs for Health Information Magnets or similar currently in place and report back to Council.
Motion carried.

Community Acknowledgements

For information purposes.

Correspondence – Action Required

- a) Chris Boudreau, Director of Public Works, Re: Cost-Shared Road Paving J-Class Road 2024/25-Briefing Note

The Committee of the Whole unanimously agreed to defer the discussion on selecting J-Class Roads for the application for cost-shared paving to the next Regular Council meeting.

- b) Halifax Regional Council, Re: Voluntary Vulnerable Person Registry
i. Steve Marcellus, ESC, Re: Voluntary Vulnerable Person Registry

Moved by Councillor Shawn Samson seconded by Councillor Melanie Sampson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to support the resolution for a Province wide Voluntary Vulnerable Person Registry and FURTHER MOVE to defer the reading of the resolution to the next Regular Council meeting.
Motion carried.

- c) Laura Squires, Memorial University Project Coordinator, Re: Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Proclamation Request

Moved by Councillor Michael Diggon, seconded by Councillor Shawn Samson that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to support the request to declare the month of September as Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) Awareness Month and FURTHER MOVE to defer the reading of the proclamation to the next regular council meeting.
Motion carried.



- d) Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner, Re: Right to Know Week Proclamation Request

Moved by Councillor Melanie Sampson seconded by Councillor Michael Digdon that the Committee of the Whole recommend to Council to support the request to declare September 25 to October 1, 2023 as Right to Know Week and FURTHER MOVE to defer the reading of the proclamation to the next regular council meeting. Motion carried.

Correspondence – For Information Only

- a) Nova Scotia Federation of Agriculture, Re: Community Representative Appointee for the Fences Arbitration Committee
For information purposes.
- b) Warden Eddie Nickerson, Municipality of Barrington, Re: Letter of request to the Honourable Steven Guilbeault for an exemption to the volunteer emergency service providers from the new fuel charges.
For information purposes.
- c) Dorothy Bennett, Nova Scotia Health Community Health Boards Coordinator, Re: Connecting the Dots Event Invitation
For information purposes.

Unfinished Business

- a) Food Cycle Science, Municipal Pilot Program, Re: Motion required to defer to next year budget discussion.

The Committee of the Whole unanimously agreed to accept the Food Cycle Science - Municipal Pilot Program as information only and defer the discussion to budget time.

Review of Cheques Issued, Re: June, July and August 2023

For information purposes.



Review of Action Items

For information purposes.

Items Added to the Agenda

- a) District 5 Garbage Pickup
For information only.

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

Claire Doyle of the Isle Madame Garden Club approached council.

- *Will the Municipality help the community deal with the woodland angelica invasive weed?*

“In Camera” Session (only if required and items for discussion will be listed)

n/a

Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:24 p.m.

Municipal Clerk

Chairperson