

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT

FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2009

The Committee has met twice since the last Council Meeting.

The Committee reviewed the Richmond Municipal Services Design and Construction Standard document, presented by the Director of Public Works, which will provide a design criteria for stormwater, road, sanitary sewage and water distribution systems which are to be owned and maintained by the Municipality.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Director of Public Works and the Committee of the Whole and that the Richmond Municipal Services Design and Construction Specification be adopted as presented and begin application of the document immediately.

The Committee reviewed grant requests from the Little Anse Sampsons Cove Social Action Club/Centre; Dorothy's Pets in Need Society; Grou Tyme; Loch Lomond Heritage Association; L'Archeveque Wharf Preservation Society and the Rocky Bay Irish Club; the Richmond Rize Volleyball Club, the Richmond Cheer Athletics; the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 150 Ladies Auxiliary and the Acadiaville Community Centre Society.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following grants be approved:

- \$5,000 to the Little Anse Sampsons Cove Social Action Club/Centre; Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District #2;
- \$1,550 to Dorothy's Pets in Need Society; Councillors District Activity Fund - \$3,000, Districts #1,2,3,5,6,7,8,9,10;
- \$1,000 to Dorothy's Pets in Need Society; Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District #7;
- \$500 to Grou Tyme, Councillors District Activity - \$3,000, District #9;
- \$2,296 to the Loch Lomond Heritage Association; Councillors District Activity - \$3,000 Fund, District #10;
- \$8,500 to L'Archeveque Wharf Preservation Society; Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District #10;
- \$700 to the Rocky Bay Irish Club, Councillor District Activity - \$3,000 Fund, District #3;
- \$250 to the Richmond Rize Volleyball Club, Councillors' District Activity - \$3,000 Fund - District #2;
- \$250 to the Richmond Cheer Athletics, Councillors' District Activity - \$3,000 Fund - District #2;
- \$4,150 to the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 150 Ladies Auxiliary, Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District #1, 2, 3;
- \$200 to the Acadiaville Community Centre Society, Councillors' District Activity - \$3,000 Fund - District #4;
- \$30,000 to the Acadiaville Community Centre Society, Municipal District \$17,000 Fund, District #4.

The Committee reviewed the proposed sale of municipal property in L'Ardoise to the Coastal Riders Club.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality of Richmond commit to the sale of the property in L'Ardoise to the Coastal Riders Club, for legal and migration fees incurred.

The Committee reviewed the municipal budget for the year ending March 31, 2010.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and give approval of the municipal estimates of revenues and expenditures for the year ending March 31, 2010 in the amount of \$12,209,847 (copy of budget attached as Appendix "A");

AND FURTHER MOVED THAT WHEREAS pursuant to the Municipal Act, the Municipal Council of the Municipality of Richmond estimates that sums amounting to \$6,248,700 are required for the lawful purpose of the said Municipality for the year ending March 31, 2010, after crediting the probable revenue from all sources other than rates for the said year and making due allowance for the abatement and losses which may occur in the collection of the taxes and for taxes for the said year which may not be collectible or collected;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby authorizes the levying and collection of a residential rate of .72¢ on each \$100 of the assessed value of residential property assessed on the assessment roll and a commercial rate of \$1.90; which rates said Council deems sufficient to raise the sums required to defray the expenditures of the said Municipality for this year, and any deficit from the preceding years;

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby imposes an additional percentage charge of 18 percent per annum on all rates and taxes remaining unpaid.

AND BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Richmond Council hereby fixes the 30th day of September, 2009 as the day on which the Tax Collector or Treasurer may proceed to issue warrants for the collection of all rates and taxes then unpaid.

The Committee reviewed a petition regarding road conditions from the County Line to the Points, Richmond County, and also a petition for repairs to Cameron Mountain Road.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that a letter be written to the Hon. Brooke Taylor, Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal, supporting the petition regarding the West Bay Highway, from County Line Road to The Points, Richmond County and the petition for repair to Cameron Mountain Road.

This concludes the monthly report of the Committee of the Whole, and I move its adoption.