

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE REPORT**  
**FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER, 2009**

The Committee has met twice since the last Council Meeting.

The Committee reviewed the request for the appointment of a Richmond County representative on the Board of Directors of the Island Community Justice Society.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Mr. Gerry Campbell be appointed as the Richmond County representative on the Board of Directors of the Island Community Justice Society.

The Committee reviewed grant requests from the Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association; Development Isle Madame; Isle Madame ATV Riders Association, Our Lady of Assumption Parish Council, La Picasse; L'Université Sainte Anne; Rocky Bay Irish Club; Fleur de Lis Seniors; St. Louis Catholic Women's League, River Bourgeois Technology & Training Centre; River Bourgeois Seniors 50+ Club, the L'Ardoise Coastal Riders and the W.B. Kingston Memorial Clinic.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and approve the following grant requests:

- \$200.00 (\$100.00 from each district) to Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, Districts #1 & #8;
- \$300.00 (\$75.00 per district) to DIMA - Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, Districts #1, #2, #3 and #4;
- \$10,000 (\$2,500 per district) to Isle Madame ATV Riders Association – Municipal District \$20,000 Fund, Districts #1, #2, #3, and #4;

- \$700 to Our Lady of Assumption Parish Council – Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, District #1;
- \$250 to La Picasse - Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, District #2;
- \$10,000 to Université Sainte Anne - Municipal District \$20,000 Fund, District #2;
- \$250.00 to Rocky Bay Irish Club, Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, District #3;
- \$100 to Early Childhood Education Association – Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000; District #4;
- \$500 to Fleur De Lis Seniors, Municipal District Activity - \$5,000 Fund, District #6;
- \$500 to St. Louis Catholic Women’s League – Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000, District #6;
- \$500 to River Bourgeois Technology & Training Centre – Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000; District #7;
- \$500 to River Bourgeois Seniors 50+ Club – Municipal District Activity Fund - \$5,000; District #7;
- \$2,500 to L’Ardoise Coastal Riders, Municipal District Activity - \$5,000 Fund, District #9;
- \$3,035 to W.B. Kingston Memorial Clinic, Municipal District \$20,000 Fund, District #9.

The Committee reviewed information regarding the EcoNovaScotia funding application for a municipal building energy audit.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that municipal staff be authorized to proceed with an energy use and greenhouse gas and air pollutant emissions inventory for municipal facilities, including the Richmond Arena, contingent upon suitable funding from EcoNovaScotia at an estimated cost of \$12,400, with an estimated municipal contribution of the net costs of the inventory in the amount of \$2,480 be approved.

The Committee acknowledged the accomplishment of Mr. Kyle MacDonald, Queen’s University student, and member of the “Queen’s Golden Gaels” football team, on winning the Vanier Cup. Kyle is the son of Stewart & Ruby MacDonald.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that staff be instructed to send a letter of congratulations to Mr. Kyle MacDonald, with a copy sent to his parents, on winning the Vanier Cup.

The Committee reviewed the contract for the Recycling and Backyard Composting Support/Waste Reduction Educator position, which expires December 31, 2009.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the contract for the Recycling and Backyard Composting Support/Waste Reduction Educator be renewed for 12 months.

The Committee reviewed a projected budget to March 31, 2010.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Chief Financial Officer be authorized to adjust the transfer to reserves amount in the municipal budget for the year ending March 31, 2010, to adjust for potential of uncollectible taxes.

The Committee reviewed correspondence from Public Works and Government Services Canada regarding a surplus property located in Charles Forest Cove.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality proceed with the purchase of land PID # 75201459, from Public Works and Government Services at its appraised value.

The Committee discussed the office hours during the Christmas holiday.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipal Office be closed from 12:00 noon, December 24, 2009 to January 4, 2010 inclusive, (with the office to re-open for regular hours on this day).

The Committee reviewed the appointment to the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia Firefighters School.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Mr. Raymond Ferguson be appointed to the Board of Directors of the Nova Scotia Firefighters School.

The Committee reviewed the issue of conducting two pilot plant testing for a water treatment plant for the Louisdale/Evanston area.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that staff be given authority to proceed with the two pilot treatment systems as recommended by the consultants as well as proceed with the application for PCAP funding for this project.

The Committee reviewed an agreement with GASHA, regarding fire protection billings.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Warden and CAO be authorized to proceed with the execution of the negotiated agreement with GASHA.

The Committee reviewed a report from the Council/Staff Negotiating Committee regarding staff salary increases.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and the Council Negotiation Committee and approve a 2.9% salary increase effective January 1, 2010 and a further 2.9% salary increase effective January 1, 2011; and further moved that call-out earnings be rendered pensionable to a maximum of \$130.00 per weekend for the 104 weekends contained in the term of this agreement.

The Committee reviewed a recommendation from the C.A.O. regarding the creation of the position of Communications and Economic Activities Coordinator.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and the recommendation of the CAO and that staff be directed to move forward with the creation of the position of Communications and Economic Activities Coordinator (CEAC) and that a Committee of Council be formed to evaluate potential candidates.

The Committee reviewed a report regarding the realignment in the position of C.A.O.

I move that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the terms of realignment in the position of CAO, as requested by the CAO, be carried out.

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

