

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

FEBRUARY 28, 2005

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Warden Cotton called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m., and the Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Review of Proposed Contract, Municipality of the District of Guysborough for Disposal of Solid Waste

The CAO noted that Council had accepted the principles of the Guysborough offer in October, 2004, and that the Cape Breton Regional Solid Waste Committee, and their Technical Committee of Engineers, were recommending approval of the contract which incorporates the terms and costs.

Warden Cotton noted that the Municipal Engineer was present, to assist with any questions.

Moved by Councillor J. Boudreau, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Richmond Municipal Council accept the recommendation of the Regional Solid Waste Committee and give approval to the attached "Waste Management Agreement" between the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the Municipality of the County of Richmond; and further moved that the appropriate municipal signing officers be authorized to execute the necessary documents. Motion carried.

Review of Broadband Project

The CAO outlined that Council had previously approved the municipal portion of \$75,000 for the construction of a fibre optic network in Point Tupper, however cost estimates now appeared to indicate an increase of \$50,000. The CAO indicated that staff are recommending that an additional \$50,000 be authorized for the project, and also that Council authorize a contract with Internetworking Atlantic Inc. to provide for the engineering procurement and construction of the fibre optic network.

Several Councillors indicated that they felt that the most current technology should be available to assist these large companies in our industrial park to compete.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Municipal Council authorize an additional \$50,000 for the Point Tupper fibre optic network project;

and further moved that Council authorize a contract with Internetworking Atlantic Inc. to provide for the engineering, procurement and construction of the fibre optic network, with the appropriate municipal signing officers being authorized to execute the necessary documents. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Cotton adjourned the meeting at 6:20 p.m.