

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

APRIL 11, 2005

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Warden Cotton called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m., and the meeting observed the singing of O'Canada.

The Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Items Added to the Agenda

Warden Cotton indicated that there were no items added to the agenda.

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by C. Boudreau that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: March 14, 2005

Moved by Councillor Beaton, seconded by Councillor Martell that the minutes of March 14, 2005 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

(a) Telile re: Update on Expanded Services

Father J.J. MacDonald (Board Chair) and Gloria Hill approached Council.

Ms. Hill read the presentation that had been distributed to Councillors.

Warden Cotton commended Telile on their success, and thanked the delegation for their information.

Second Reading Approval: to adopt the Central Richmond Plan Area Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law, attached as Appendix "A"

Warden Cotton noted that a Public Hearing had been held earlier in the evening, and no written or oral submissions have been received.

Councillor McNamara requested that the names of Area Advisory Committee Members be added to the text provided by staff.

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Richmond Municipal Council give Second Reading approval and adopt the Central Richmond Plan Area Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Law, as attached in Appendix "A". Motion carried.

Councillor McNamara noted that both the Planning Advisory Committee and the Area Advisory Committee had recommended acceptance of the Strategy and By-Law.

Notice of Motion – Councillor MacPhee: to give First Reading Approval to amend By-Law #13, Dog By-Law, to incorporate the ability to issue summary offence tickets, attached as Appendix "B".

Moved by Councillor MacPhee, seconded by Councillor Martell that Richmond Municipal Council give First Reading approval to amend By-Law #13, Dog By-Law, as attached in Appendix "B". Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

(a) Committee of the Whole

Deputy Warden Sampson presented the report of the Committee of the Whole (copy attached).

Moved by Deputy Warden Sampson, seconded by Councillor MacPhee that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality quit claim the municipal interest in the two easements in River Bourgeois from Anastasia Boudreau and Whitney Cordeau, because the easements are no longer of use to the Municipality, with the quit claim of interest being provided to the current owner Kathleen M. Graham, and further moved that the costs associated with receiving this release of interest be paid by the individuals receiving the benefit. Motion carried.

Deputy Warden Sampson gave notice that he would introduce a motion at the next regular Council Meeting to adopt a policy on "Tax Reduction Due to Fire" as a policy of the Municipality, attached as Appendix "C".

Moved by Deputy Warden Sampson, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following guarantee of debenture issue resolution be adopted:

WHEREAS the Village Commission of the Village of St. Peter's was incorporated under the Village Service Act;

AND WHEREAS the said Village of St. Peter's has resolved to borrow by the issue and sale of debentures the sum of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) for the purpose of wastewater facilities and stormwater systems;

AND WHEREAS the said Village Commission has requested the Municipality of the County of Richmond to guarantee the principal and interest of the said debentures when sold, pursuant to Section 89 of the Municipal Government Act;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED THAT subject to the approval of the Minister of Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations, the Municipality of the County of Richmond do guarantee the principal and interest of debentures of the Village of St. Peter's, in an amount not exceeding Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000) when issued and sold;

THAT the Warden and the Clerk are authorized to do all things and execute all documents necessary to give effect to this resolution. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Sampson, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the monthly report of the Committee of the Whole be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

(a) Rural Cape Breton District Planning Commission re: Appointments

Moved by Councillor Rankin, seconded by Councillor Martell that Richmond Municipal Council appoint the following employees of the District Planning Commission, to serve in the following Richmond positions:

Jamie Burke, Alternate Development Officer
Cyril LeBlanc, Alternate Fire Inspector
David MacKenzie and Gary Wong, Alternate Building Inspectors
John Bain, Administrator, Dangerous & Unsightly Premises and Alternate
Development Officer
Alfred Fougere, Building Inspector
Cyril LeBlanc, Leon LeBlanc, Alternate Building Inspectors
Leon LeBlanc, Fire Inspector
Wanda Ryan, Development Officer

Motion carried.

(b) Strait Regional School Board re: Framboise School

(c) Deputy Clerk Treasurer re: Bay Rental – Industrial Mall

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Council accept the recommendation of the Deputy Clerk and approve of the rental of Bay #3 at the Industrial Mall to Mr. Embree. Motion carried.

(d) Home Support Nova Scotia Association re: Funding Request for Banquet Sponsor

Moved by Councillor MacPhee, seconded by Councillor Martell that the grant request from Home Support Nova Scotia Association be referred to budget deliberations. Motion carried.

(e) Child Care Connections Nova Scotia re: Annual Child Care Awareness Days

Moved by Councillor Beaton, seconded by Councillor Rankin that Richmond Municipal Council declare the month of June, 2005 as Child Care Awareness Days in Richmond County. Motion carried.

(f) Ecole Beauport re: Scholarships

The consensus of Councillors was that the Municipality will provide a scholarship to a student of Ecole Beauport, as in previous years.

(g) Strait Area Ground Search & Rescue Anniversary Committee re: Grant Request

(h) MacAskill House Museum Society re: Grant Request

(i) Stora Enso Hockey Tournament re: Grant Request

(j) Riverdale Community Services Society re: Grant Request

(k) Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association re: Request for Tax Exemption

(l) Janvrin's Island Sports & Recreation Association re: Request for Tax Exemption

Moved by Councillor MacPhee, seconded by Councillor McNamara that the grant request of Strait Area Ground Search & Rescue Anniversary Committee; MacAskill House Museum Society; Stora Enso Hockey Tournament and Riverdale Community Services Society; together with the request for tax exemption from Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association and Janvrin's Island Sports & Recreation Association be referred to budget deliberations. Motion carried.

Councillor C. Boudreau requested that all organizations be advised to submit the necessary information, in accordance with our grant policy.

Fifteen Minute Question Period

There were no questions.

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Cotton adjourned the meeting at 7:40 p.m.