

RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL

REGULAR MEETING

SEPTEMBER 10, 2012

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Deputy Warden V. David, Councillor A. Martell,
Councillor B. Marchand, Councillor G. Boucher,
Councillor S. MacNeil, Councillor S. Sampson,
Councillor G. Johnson, Councillor S. McNamara
Councillor M Beaton

Deputy Warden David called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. and asked everyone to stand for the singing of O'Canada.

The CAO took roll call of Councillors.

Items Added to the Agenda.

Deputy Warden David indicated that Councillor Beaton requested the addition of a grant request and Councillor Boucher wished to add a grant request to the agenda.

Councillor MacNeil requested and received unanimous consent to add an item regarding the early closure of the Provincial Park in St. Peters.

Deputy Warden David requested and received unanimous consent to add the Business Expo which was held on September 8, 2012.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the agenda be accepted with the items added. Motion carried

Review of Minutes:

- (a) June 25, 2012 (Annual Session)
- (b) August 20, 2012 (Special Meeting)

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Beaton that the minutes of June 25, 2012 (Annual Session) and August 20, 2012 (Special Meeting) be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

There were no presentations or delegations.

Notices of Motion:

Notice of Motion: To Repeal the Municipal Antenna Site Procedures and/or Protocols Policy, adopted by Richmond Municipal Council on June 16, 2008, due to the completion of the Rural Broadband Initiative.

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council repeal the Municipal Antenna Site Procedures and/or Protocols Policy, adopted by Richmond Municipal Council on June 16, 2008, due to the completion of the Rural Broadband Initiative. Motion carried.

Notice of Motion: To amend the Travel Policy, to include “Out of Country” travel and to reflect \$100/day per diem meals, with the rate being subject to exchange rates at the time of travel

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council amend the Travel Policy, to include “Out of Country” travel and to reflect \$100/day per diem meals, with the rate being subject to exchange rates at the time of travel. Motion carried.

Second Reading Approval: Councillor McNamara - to amend the Isle Madame Land Use By-Law which will recognize “K” Class Roads as a distinct type of road

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Marchand that Municipal Council give Second Reading approval to amend the Isle Madame Land Use By-Law which will recognize “K” Class Roads as a distinct type of road for the purpose of controlling; by Amending Part 6, Section 15 of the Land Use By-Law to include “K” Class roads; and Adding the definition of a “K” Class road to Section 19 of the Land Use By-Law (attached as Appendix “A”); Motion carried.

Second Reading Approval: to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law (Attached as Appendix “D”)

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Sampson that Second Reading approval be given to amend By-Law #56, Tax Exemption By-Law, to include the Petit De Grat Baseball Field Property, Account #01414704 (attached as Appendix “D”). Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

(a) Committee of the Whole:

Councillor Sampson presented the monthly report of the Committee of the Whole (copy attached).

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Boucher, that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and rescind the motions made at the June 18, 2012 and June 25, 2012 meetings with regards to the property of Thomas Richard, 124 Boudreauville Road. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Eastern District Planning Commission and of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality issue an "Order to Remedy Condition" to Thomas Richard, 124 Boudreauville Road (AAN #03944204; PID # 75008466) and that the Order be a thirty (30) day Order; and further moved that once the thirty (30) day Order for Mr. Richard to comply has elapsed and assuming he does not in fact comply; that the Municipality complete the work and recover the costs in accordance with the appropriate legislation. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and rescind the motions made at the June 18, 2012 and June 25, 2012 meetings with regards to the property of Robbie (Robert) Richard, 2660 Highway 4, MacIntyre Lake. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Eastern District Planning Commission and of the Committee of the Whole and that the Municipality issue two Orders to Remedy Conditions to Robbie (Robert) Richard, 2660 Highway 4, MacIntyre Lake (AAN # 04801296; PID # 75033357) and that one Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council to the owners instructing that the house and mobile home be demolished and the second an Order to remove all the derelict vehicles and debris from the property, all to be completed within thirty (30) days or the Municipality complete the work and recover the costs through property taxes. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that a contribution of approximately 20 percent of the overall cost of repairing the roof be made to La Picasse to assist in the repair of the roof, subject to the receipt of all other funding requests. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the funding request submitted by the Lennox Passage Yacht Club be awarded in the amount of \$15,000, via the Department of Economic Development and Tourism, as it relates to the Bluewaves strategy, subject to all other funding partner commitments. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor McNamara that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and accept the donation from Mr.

and Mrs. van Lierop and acquire the parcel of land in the Dundee area, subject to staff undertaking due diligence, and that following that, correspondence to sent to Mr. and Mrs. van Lierop accepting their generous donation. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor Martell that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the following grant requests be approved:

- \$500 to Isle Madame Pig Roast Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3;
- \$1,000 to Isle Madame Pig Roast Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1 & #2 (\$500 each);
- \$500 to Village on the Canal Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #8;
- \$15,000 to St. Peter's Lions Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #8;
- \$900 to L'Ardoise Jolly Club, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #9;
- \$500 to Notre Dame de L'Assumption Cathedral Association, Municipal District Activity Grant Fund, District # 1;
- \$300 to Paroisse Saint Joseph, Petit de Grat, Municipal District Activity Grant Fund, District # 2;
- \$500 to Lakeside Community Association, Municipal District Activity Grant Fund, District # 8;
- \$700 to West Arichat & District Village Circle Society, Municipal District Activity Grant Fund, District # 4;
- \$15,000 to West Arichat & District Village Circle Society, Municipal District Infrastructure Grant Fund, District # 4.

Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Sampson, seconded by Councillor MacNeil, that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the CAO be authorized to negotiate a purchase and sale agreement for the former St. Peter's High School with the successful proponent, that is subject to Council approval. Motion carried.

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

Correspondence:

- (a) Health Association Nova Scotia re: Proclamation of September 2012 as "Continuing Care Month"

Moved by Councillor Johnson, seconded by Councillor MacNeil that Municipal Council proclaim September 2012 as “Continuing Care Month” in Richmond County. Motion carried.

(b) Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Review Officer re:
Proclamation of September 24 – September 28, 2012 as “Right to Know Week”

Moved by Councillor McNamara, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council proclaim September 24 to September 28, 2012 as “Right to Know Week” in Richmond County in order to raise awareness of the right to access information and its value, with a local focus on what it means to those living and working in Nova Scotia. Motion carried.

(c) Residents of Grand Lake re: Request for Road Name

Moved by Councillor Martell, seconded by Councillor Beaton that Municipal Council give approval to the road name change from “Rifle Range Road” to North Grand Lake Road in District #1, if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the Eastern District Planning Commission; and further moved that this change be recognized for 911 purposes only and without responsibility on the Municipality’s part to provide or maintain services. Motion carried.

(d) Residents of Martinique re: Request for Road Name

Moved by Councillor Beaton, seconded by Councillor Martell that Municipal Council give approval to change an unnamed road to “Lakeview Haven Road “in District #4 if it meets policy approval and receives the approval of the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal and the Eastern District Planning Commission. Motion carried.

(e) Shannon Mury re: Grant Requests

- Friends of Notre Dame de L’Assumption Cathedral Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1 (\$1,000);
- Friends of Notre Dame de L’Assumption Cathedral Association, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #1 (\$8,000);
- St. Hyacinth Parish, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3 (\$300);

- River Bourgeois Cenotaph Committee, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts (\$1,100);
- River Bourgeois Baseball Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #7 (\$21,500);

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the following grant requests be approved:

- \$1,000 to Friends of Notre Dame de L'Assumption Cathedral Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1;
- \$8,000 to Friends of Notre Dame de L'Assumption Cathedral Association, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #1;
- \$300 to St. Hyacinth Parish, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #3;
- \$1,100 to River Bourgeois Cenotaph Committee, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10);
- \$21,500 to River Bourgeois Baseball Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #7;

Motion carried.

Items Added to the Agenda:

- (1) Councillor MacNeil re: the early closure of the Provincial Park in St. Peters (also known as Battery Park)

Moved by Councillor MacNeil, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Municipality send a letter to the Department of Natural Resources requesting that the closure of Battery Park be extended until at least mid October or until after Celtic Colors. Motion carried.

- (2) Deputy Warden David re: Business Expo

Deputy Warden David indicated that the Business Expo on September 8, 2012 was a huge success. He also indicated that there was a lot of awareness brought to the residents of Richmond County regarding the availability of products featured by local artisans and vendors. Volunteering and participation by staff and Council was greatly noted.

The following points were brought forth during discussion:

- The small business community is the backbone of success;
- The Municipality was able to showcase what is offered in Richmond County;
- Improvements made at the Arena were noted by everyone in attendance;
- Kudos to staff, working many hours and to Council for supporting and efforts of staff;
- Any businesses interested in getting their name on the Municipality mailing list may contact the Municipal office;
- Grand Opening of the Community Library in St. Peter's also took place on September 8, 2012;

Fifteen Minute Question Period

There were no questions from the gallery.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the meeting move "In Camera" session at 7:40 pm. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor MacNeil, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the meeting revert to Regular session at 7:53 pm. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Johnson that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Deputy Warden David adjourned the meeting at 7:55 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

CHAIRPERSON

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER