

**RICHMOND COUNTY MUNICIPAL COUNCIL**

**REGULAR MEETING**

**DECEMBER 17, 2012**

Location: Council Chambers, Municipal Office

Present: Warden S. Sampson, Deputy Warden A. Martell,  
Councillor R. Samson, Councillor G. Boucher,  
Councillor V. David, Councillor G. Johnson,  
Mrs. Karen Doyle, Solicitor Mr. Lorne MacDowell

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

The Clerk took roll call of Councillors.

Warden Sampson noted that Councillor Beaton, Councillor MacNeil and Councillor Marchand were unable to attend.

Items Added to the Agenda:

Warden Sampson indicated there were two items added to the agenda regarding additional applications received for "Members at Large" on the Richmond Villa Board and on the Planning Advisory Committee and will be dealt with at the same time that applications for "Members at Large" are reviewed.

Warden Sampson requested and received unanimous consent to discuss Physician Contract Negotiations "In Camera".

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the agenda be approved with the items added. Motion carried.

Review of Minutes: November 19, 2012

Councillor David requested unanimous consent to modify the minutes of November 19, 2012 to reflect the meeting being called to order.

Warden Sampson indicated that although the words "Call to Order" were not stated, the meeting was properly called to order by the opening and welcome statement.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councilor Johnson that the minutes of November 19, 2012 be adopted as presented. Motion carried.

Presentations and/or Delegations:

Warden Sampson welcomed the Director of Public Works, Mr. Chris Boudreau and the EMO Coordinator, Mr. Cecil Frost to the meeting.

Mr. Chris Boudreau presented a power point presentation.

A question and answer period followed.

Warden Sampson thanked Mr. Chris Boudreau and Mr. Cecil Frost for the presentation.

CAO re:

The Clerk noted that all current “Members at Large” on the Richmond Villa Board of Directors, Planning Advisory Committee and the R.C.M.P Advisory Board were contacted regarding the advertisement and application deadlines for new “Members at Large”.

The Clerk summarized the applications received for “Members at Large” for the following Committees:

- (a) Planning Advisory Committee – Four “Members at Large” were required and the following three applications were received before the deadline of 4 p.m. on December 14, 2012:
  - Barry Landry (Existing)
  - Doug Begg (Existing)
  - Robert Wambolt (Existing)

The Clerk indicated that a fourth application was received after the deadline at 4:41 p.m. on December 14, 2012 from the following:

- Hubert Doyle (Existing)

No other applications were received.

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council appoint Barry Landry, Doug Begg, Robert Wambolt and Hubert Doyle as “Members at Large” for the Planning Advisory Committee. Motion carried.

- (b) R.C.M.P Advisory Board – Two applications were received for the R.C.M.P Advisory Board from the following:

- Doug Landry (Existing)
- Amy McCormack (New)

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council appoint the two names submitted, Doug Landry and Amy McCormack, as “Members at Large” for the R.C.M.P Advisory Board. Motion carried.

(c) Cape Breton Island Housing Authority:

The Clerk indicated that an advertisement was placed for one “Member at Large” for the Cape Breton Island Housing Authority and that no applications had been received. She also indicated that the current member is Mr. Rudolph Boudreau who has served three consecutive terms; however a letter was received from the Minister of Community Services indicating that Mr. Boudreau’s term as a member expired on November 9, 2012 and he is required to step down for one term before he is eligible to serve again.

Deputy Warden Martell requested a list of responsibilities required by a member of the Cape Breton Island Housing Authority Board. He noted that this would enable Councillors to communicate this information to constituents in order to encourage participation on this board.

The Clerk indicated that she would contact the Cape Breton Island Housing Authority to acquire a list of duties and responsibilities of a member on the board and provide this information to Council.

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council re-advertise for one “Member at Large” for the Cape Breton Island Housing Authority. Motion carried.

(d) Richmond Villa Board of Directors:

The clerk noted that three “Members at Large” were required for the Richmond Villa Board of Directors and that five applications had been received, two of which were existing members (Mr. Ross Wagg and Mr. Blair Campbell) and three new applications (Ms. Maria Gillan, Mrs. Eva Landry and Mr. James Cummings). She then provided a summary of the qualifications of each applicant.

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council appoint Mr. Ross Wagg, Mr. Blair Campbell and Mrs. Eva Landry as “Members at Large” on the Richmond Villa Board of Directors. Motion carried.

Councillor David re: Arichat Sidewalk Conceptual Plan:

Councillor David indicated that a conceptual planning exercise had been completed in September 2011 by Strait Engineering Ltd regarding Arichat sidewalks. He also requested that the Arichat Sidewalk Conceptual Plan be put on the Capital Priority list.

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the Arichat Sidewalk Conceptual Plan be placed on the Capital Priority List. Motion carried.

Committee Reports:

(a) Committee of the Whole

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

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that the Administration Building be closed for the 2012 Christmas Holiday season at 12:00 p.m. December 24, 2012 and reopen for regular business hours at 8:30 a.m., January 2, 2013; and further moved that the Waste Management Facility be opened from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on December 27, 28 and 29, 2012, with all on-call staff available during the Christmas holiday. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Samson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that an "Order to Remedy Condition" be issued to Gregory and Mary Rude regarding their property at 3661 Highway 206, Haut De Le Baie, NS, (PID #75011015; AAN # 01415298, and that the Order be a Demolition Order issued from Council to the owners of said property, instructing that the building be demolished and all debris be removed from the property within thirty (30) days or the Municipality will complete the same and recover the costs through property taxes. Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Stacey Johnstone be compensated for the full cost of cleaning up garbage that had been illegally dumped on the property of Mr. Donald John MacDonald, (PID 75086785, AAN 09615652). Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Johnson that Council accept the recommendation of the Committee of the Whole and that Mr. Tony Pierce be appointed as the Richmond County representative to serve on the Strait of Canso Superport Corporation Board of Directors. Motion carried.

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

- \$6,000, Isle Madame New Horizon's Seniors Club, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District #'s 1, 2, 3;
  - \$3,500, St. Peter's United Church, Municipal District Infrastructure Fund, District # 8;
  - \$1,150, Richmond County Early Childhood Education Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, Multiple Districts;
  - \$300, Native Alcohol & Drug Abuse & Counseling Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #10;
  - \$500, Bras d'Or Lakes Seniors Association, Municipal District Activity Fund, District #10;
- Motion carried.

Moved by Deputy Warden Martell, seconded by Councillor Boucher that the monthly report for the Committee of the Whole be accepted as presented. Motion carried.

Correspondence:

- (a) Citizenship and Immigration Canada, The Hon. Jason Kenney re:

Nominations for the 2013 Paul Yuzyk Award for Multiculturalism

For information purposes.

- (b) Hon. John MacDonell re:

The Clerk indicated that the Hon. John MacDonell, Minister of Service Nova Scotia and Municipal Relations offered congratulations to the Municipality of Richmond as they share in the receipt of the 2012 Diamond Pioneer Award.

For information purposes.

- (c) Province of Nova Scotia/UNSM re:

The Clerk noted that correspondence had been received from the Province of Nova Scotia/UNSM regarding the provinces commitment to regional economic development.

For information purposes.

Items Added to the Agenda:

- (a) Items added regarding additional applications received were previously dealt with.
- (b) Physician Contract Negotiations to be dealt with “In Camera”.

Fifteen Minute Question Period:

There were no questions from the gallery.

In-Camera

Moved by Councillor Boucher, seconded by Deputy Warden Martell that the meeting proceed to “In-Camera” session at 8:04 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor Boucher seconded by Councillor Johnson that the meeting reconvene to regular session at 8:27 p.m. Motion carried.

Moved by Councillor David, seconded by Deputy Warden Martell that a conditional grant for physician recruitment be granted to GASHA, conditional on all related documents and agreements to be negotiated and agreed to, to the satisfaction of the Municipality of the County of Richmond. Motion carried.

Adjournment

Moved by Councillor David that that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

There being no further business, Warden Sampson adjourned the meeting at 8:30 p.m.

MINUTES RECORDED BY:

MUNICIPAL CLERK:

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CHAIRPERSON

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CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER