

The Municipality of the District of  
**BARRINGTON**

Minutes of the regular meeting of Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Wednesday, September 26, 2001.

The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:00 p.m. with the following members present:

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
  - Deputy Warden Eddie Nickerson
  - Councillor Angus Atkinson
  - Councillor Fred Bower
  - Councillor Louise Halliday
  - Councillor Dwayne Hunt
  - Councillor Wayne Smith
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- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
  - Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

#### INTERVIEW - SERGEANT MICHAEL LEIGHTON

Sergeant Michael Leighton of the Barrington R.C.M.P. Detachment appeared before the meeting. He briefed Council on matters which have taken place since his last appearance before Council.

Sergeant Leighton was thanked for providing an update to Council.

#### INTERVIEW - GRACE ADAMS

Mrs. Grace Adams of Brass Hill appeared before the meeting expressing concerns regarding the Barrington Walking Trail, as it relates to duck hunters. She expressed concern that last year problems were experienced on Sherose Island and Brass Hill. She feels that duck hunters are hunting too close to residential and commercial properties. She informed Council that she has contacted the Department of Natural Resources and has requested that an officer be in the area for the first day of duck hunting. She is requesting Council to write a letter to the Department of Natural Resources officially requesting an officer be placed here for the first day of the

season.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that a letter be written to the Department of Natural Resources requesting an officer be placed in the Barrington Passage area, for conservation and protection, for the first few days of both inside and outside duck hunting seasons.

Motion carried.

Mrs. Adams was then thanked for appearing before Council and expressing her concerns.

## OPEN FOR BUSINESS

Mr. Ian White, Manager of Open for Business for Shelburne County, appeared before the meeting. He explained the role of his office and the mandate of the program. Each Council member was provided with written information on the program.

Mr. White was thanked for appearing before Council and providing information on the Open for Business Program.

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## TENDERS - VARIOUS WORK

Tenders for the following services were received from the contractors indicated below:

Miscellaneous Materials - Various Locations

- Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd.
- D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by A. Atkinson that Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for Miscellaneous Materials - Various Locations.

Motion carried.

## Municipal Landfill Site

- Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd.

- One other tender was received but there was nothing on the tender indicating who the tender was from, therefore, the tender was not considered.

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by L. Halliday that Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for work at the Municipal Landfill.

Motion carried.

## Sewer Lateral Installation

- Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd.

Moved by A. Atkinson and seconded by L. Halliday that Eugene Newell & Sons Construction Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for looking after all sewer lateral installations.

Motion carried.

## Snow Removal - Various Properties & Bay Side Home

- D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for snow removal at various municipal properties, including Bay Side Home.

Motion carried.

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## Barrington Municipal Recreation Complex - Snow Removal & Salting

- D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd.

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Hunt that D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for looking after snow removal and salting at the Barrington Municipal Recreation Complex.

Motion carried.

Snow Removal - Cat Rock Drive/Goose Lake Road

- D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by L. Halliday that D.M. Snow Contracting Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for looking after snow removal on Cat Rock Drive and the municipal portion of Goose Lake Road.

Motion carried.

Electrical Work

- Sou'West Electrical Ltd.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that Sou'West Electrical Ltd. be awarded a one (1) year contract for electrical services.

Motion carried.

Miscellaneous Carpentry

No tenders were received for miscellaneous carpentry.

## APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by W. Smith that the minutes of the last meeting held September 12, 2001 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried.

## PROCLAMATION

The Warden reported that information has been received requesting the Municipality to declare October 22 - 26, 2001 as "Insurance Information Week".

There being no objections to this request, the Warden declared October 22 - 26, 2001 as Insurance Information Week in the Municipality of Barrington.

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## CORRESPONDENCE

### Teddy Bear/Stuffed Toy Drive

The Clerk reported that a fax has been received from students and staff of the Barrington Municipal High School advising that they are conducting a Teddy Bear/Stuffed Toy Drive to send to children who lost a parent(s), in the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington. They are requesting Council's support in this effort.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the Municipality provide ten (10) teddy bears to the Barrington Municipal High School for their toy drive.

Motion carried.

### Highway Safety

The Warden reported that a letter has been received from Mr. Dave Buckland, Principal of Barrington Municipal High School. The letter advised that they have reviewed the site and have fixed the fence in front of the High School where students smoke. The Department of Transportation has been contacted and the right-of-way in that area is 33 feet. This curtails any plans of a buffer zone. Mr. Buckland is attempting to arrange a follow-up meeting to be held in the near future.

### Municipal Advisor

The Clerk reported that Mr. Steven Feist will assume the role of Municipal Advisor for our area, on a permanent basis, commencing October 1, 2001.

### Increase in Rural Telephone Service Rates

It was reported that correspondence has been received from the Municipality of Pictou

County requesting municipalities throughout the Province to write to the C.R.T.C. objecting to the application for increased telephone rates in rural Nova Scotia. They have also asked that the Municipality write to the C.R.T.C. requesting that any hearings on this application be held in Nova Scotia, and not in the Ottawa area.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Hunt that the Municipality support the request of the Municipality of Pictou to write a letter to the C.R.T.C. requesting hearings on the application regarding an increase in rural telephone service rates be held in Nova Scotia, and not in the Ottawa area.

Motion carried.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by W. Smith that a letter also be written to the C.R.T.C. opposing the proposed increase in rural telephone service rates and that we consider it to be discriminatory to rural Nova Scotians, based on the fact that the infrastructure is already in place.

Motion carried.

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### Fundraising Gospel Concert

The Clerk reported that an invitation has been received from MLA Cecil O'Donnell inviting councillors to attend a Fundraising Gospel Concert to be held on September 30, 2001, at 2:00 p.m., at the Shelburne Fire Hall. The concert is being held to show support and provide funding for individuals so tragically affected by the acts of terror on September 11, 2001.

### REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden provided a brief report on his activities since the last meeting of Council:

- September 14, 2001 - The Warden and Clerk attended an EMO exercise.
- September 16, 2001 - The Warden participated in the Terry Fox Run. There were 136 participants in total. \$11,500.00 was raised.
- September 19, 2001 - The Warden attended an RDA Meeting held in Yarmouth.
  - He also participated in discussions on a future S.E.M.A.C.A.

Conference to be held in Yarmouth.

## COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

### Hiring Committee

#### Canteen Worker

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Hunt that Mr. Shawn Melanson be hired to fill the vacant position of Arena Canteen Attendant.

Motion carried.

### Recreation and Facilities Management Committee

#### Draft Policy Re: Dispensing of Medication

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the Recreation and Facilities Manager draft a policy governing the dispensing of drugs and the participation of special needs children in the Summer Day Camp Program.

### Discover Shelburne County

It was reported that a copy of a letter has been received, addressed to ACOA, from Discover Shelburne County Tourism Association. The letter expressed the concern of the Board and membership regarding the proposed "Lighthouse V.I.C.'s" for Shelburne County. The letter stated that they are the recognized tourism body of Shelburne County and as such believe it is important that their input into the proposal be considered before the project moves forward.

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Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Hunt that the Municipality send a letter to Discover Shelburne County Tourism Association to inform them that Council feels that they should have no concern with what is built for a Visitor Information Centre in the Municipality of Barrington when:

1. they have no idea of what is going to be built,

2. they are in no way providing funding for this project; and,
3. they may have jeopardized funding by sending a letter to ACOA prior to finding out the above facts.

Council would also like to see the minutes where this motion was passed at a meeting of Discover Shelburne County Tourism Association.

Motion carried.

It was agreed that a copy of both the Municipality's letter and the letter from Discover Shelburne County Tourism Association be forwarded to the South West Shore Development Authority.

#### Bay Side Home Corporation

Councillor Bower advised that starting today steps have been taken to return residents to Bay Side Home.

#### Income Assistance Program

Councillor Halliday informed members that she attended a meeting on September 20, 2001 put on by the Department of Community Services. The purpose of the meeting was to discuss the Income Assistance Program.

#### Finance and Administration Committee

#### Small Claims Court

#### Douglas Wickens

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that taxes in the amount of \$138.00 be written off the account assessed in the name of Mr. Douglas Wickens.

Motion carried.

#### Cool Water Seafoods

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by E. Nickerson that the balance of the Business Occupancy Taxes in the name of Carmen Nickerson (Cool Water Seafoods) be written off.



Motion carried.

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New Year's Levee

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by L. Halliday that the Municipality again host a New Year's Levee on January 1, 2002. This Levee is to be held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington.

Motion carried.

Land at Bay Side Home

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that a letter be sent to the Administrator of Bay Side Home Corporation expressing the opinion of Council that the piece of land Bay Side Home Corporation is requesting, will remain the property of the Municipality of Barrington, although the Municipality will be agreeable to transferring the property in future, if it is needed for expansion of Bay Side Home.

Motion carried.

Request from Sea View Cemetery Company

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by F. Bower that Sea View Cemetery Company be permitted to install vinyl siding on the Cape Negro church building as requested, providing it uses the appropriate Heritage profile siding.

Motion carried.

ASSESSMENT SERVICES

It was agreed that this matter be dealt with by the Finance Committee at their meeting to be held on October 15, 2001.

COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

It was reported that applications for membership on the Community Health Care Advisory Committee have been received from Districts 1, 3 and 4. No applications have been received from Districts 2, 5, 6 and 7.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that we once again advertise for Expressions of Interest from individuals wishing to serve on the Community Health Care Advisory Committee, for Districts 2, 5, 6 and 7, and the deadline for applications be October 22, 2001.

Motion carried.

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that applications received for Districts 1, 3 and 4 be acknowledged and that applicants be advised that a decision will be made by Council on October 24, 2001.

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Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the above motion be amended by deleting the reference to a decision being made by Council on October 24, 2001 and in its place indicate that applicants will be notified after a decision has been made.

A Point of Order was called by Councillor Bower since it was felt that the amendment changes the intent of the motion. The Warden ruled that the Point of Order raised was valid and, therefore, the amendment was not allowed.

The original motion was then put to a vote.

The motion was defeated.

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by W. Smith that letters be forwarded to applicants acknowledging their application and informing them that they will be notified as soon as a decision is made.

Motion carried.

It was agreed that the letter to applicants include an explanation as to why Council is re- advertising for membership.

It was agreed by consensus that the applications be reviewed on Monday, October 22, 2001, after the meeting with Fire Departments.

## PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT

The Clerk reported that the following motion was tabled at the August 8, 2001 Council Meeting:

"Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by D. Hunt that the playground equipment at the Port LaTour Elementary School be donated to the Lockeport and Area Home and School."

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by A. Atkinson that the above motion be tabled again until October 24, 2001.

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## ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.