

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, August 23, 2004.

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

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported that all councillors representing all districts of the Municipality were present including:

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
- Deputy Warden Eddie Nickerson
- Councillor Angus Atkinson
- Councillor Fred Bower
- Councillor Louise Halliday
- Councillor Dwayne Hunt
- Councillor Wayne Smith

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by W. Smith that the minutes of the last meeting held August 11, 2004 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

WIND TURBINE GENERATORS

Representatives from Nova Scotia Power Inc., Bob Johnson and Terry Toner, appeared before the meeting. Council invited representatives to attend the meeting to discuss their plans to install a prototype wind turbine generator on Cape Sable Island.

The Warden provided a summary of Council's actions to permit wind turbine generators in the Municipality of Barrington.

The meeting was then opened for questions.

Many questions were raised by councillors regarding the proposed project of Nova Scotia Power to install a test wind turbine generator on Cape Sable Island. Two sites are currently being considered on Cape Sable Island. One site is located in South Side, inland, approximately 250 to 300 meters from the road. Another site is also being considered which is located in the middle of the upper part of the Island. Nova Scotia Power representatives indicated that the site chosen must be acceptable to the community. Once a site has been chosen and the project appears to be feasible, public meetings will be held. If and when it is decided to proceed with the project, Nova Scotia Power would like to announce the project jointly with the Municipality.

Nova Scotia Power representatives made it clear that the plan now is for one unit. Before proceeding with the project, provincial and federal approvals will be required. NSP is now obtaining preliminary detailed information to determine the feasibility of the project. Information for more than one season is required.

If the project appears to be feasible and approvals are received, the project will commence late next year.

Question was raised regarding noise and it was indicated that you must be right under it to hear it. The required set back distances from property boundaries eliminates noise.

It was suggested that wind turbine generators have a tourism benefit based on information received from other areas.

Question was raised regarding future development of wind turbine generators. Members were informed that any future development would be a separate program which would require research, public consultation, approval from senior levels of government, etc. At the present time only one (1) unit is being considered for this project.

Mr. Johnson and Mr. Toner were then thanked for appearing before Council and providing additional information on wind turbine generators.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Penney Road Paving Project

The Clerk informed members that he and the Deputy Warden met with residents of Penney Road at the Centreville Fire Hall, on August 17, 2004, to present the results of the tender call for the paving of Penney Road. Five (5) residents were present at the meeting. Residents were informed that the lowest tender was received from Aberdeen Paving, in the amount of \$40,300.00, plus H.S.T. The total cost per resident will be \$824.82 and payments required over a period of four (4) years is \$206.21, plus interest. All five residents present agreed to sign the notice indicating the payment program which they would prefer.

Question was raised as to the interest rate to be charged. The Clerk informed members that the interest rate would be 18% per annum. It was suggested that residents should be charged something less than 18% since the Municipality only wants to be reimbursed for the cost of the project.

Deputy Warden Nickerson also indicated that he would like to take \$2,500 to \$3,000 from District 7 Community Grants Fund and apply it to the residents portion of the project. This would bring the total cost per resident to approximately \$600.

Resolution C040819

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that \$3,000 from the District 7 Community Grants Fund be applied towards the resident's portion of the cost to pave Penney Road.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C040820

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by F. Bower that the interest to be charged residents be equivalent to the Municipality's cost of borrowing, and that 18% per annum be charged on payments in default.

AFFIRMATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Eddie Nickerson
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Dwayne Hunt

Motion carried.

Resolution C040821

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the tender received from Aberdeen Paving in the amount of \$40,300, plus H.S.T. for paving the remainder of Cox/Penney Road be accepted, and that the Municipality enter into agreement with the Department of Transportation to have the project carried out.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dangerous and Unsightly Premises

George MacKay Property

Resolution C040822

The Clerk informed members that a letter has been received from Mr. George MacKay indicating that he is willing to rent two dumpsters and have them located on his property on Swain's Road.

It was suggested that Mr. MacKay be given an extended period of time to clean up his property located on Swain's Road.

Resolution C040823

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that Mr. George MacKay be given ninety (90) days to address the dangerous and unsightly condition of his property located on Swain's Road.

Motion carried unanimously.

It was noted that the Department of Transportation will be restricting access to Swain's Road once the illegal dump sites have been cleaned up.

Lesa Perry Property

The Clerk informed members that an Order had been issued to Lesa Perry to clean up her property located at Lower Clark's Harbour. The Order was served on Mrs. Perry on July 14, 2004. The thirty (30) day period has now expired and the property has once again been inspected by the By-Law Enforcement Officer. His inspection revealed that the house has been torn down and that debris has been left on the site. The well has been equipped with a new cover.

Resolution C040824

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by D. Hunt that the Municipality take steps to remove debris from Lesa Perry's property and the cost of doing so be added to her tax account.

Motion carried unanimously.

Paul Waybret Property

The Clerk informed members that property of Paul Waybret located in Clam Point is in a dangerous and unsightly condition. Mr. Waybret has been requested on two (2) occasions to clean up his property. No attempt has been made by Mr. Waybret to address the matter.

Resolution C040825

Moved by D. Hunt and seconded by E. Nickerson that Council issue an Order requiring Mr. Waybret to address the dangerous and unsightly condition of his property within thirty (30) days, and failure to do so may result in the Municipality taking steps to clean up the property and the cost of doing so will be added to Mr. Waybret's tax account.

Motion carried unanimously.

Physicians

Question was raised as to whether Dr. Yee or Dr. Mikhail have agreed to sponsor an international medical graduate. Both doctors are currently considering the request and hopefully more information will be presented to the Community Health Care Advisory Committee at their meeting tomorrow evening.

C.S.I. Sewer

Question was raised as to whether a meeting has been arranged with Minister Geoff Reagan to discuss the C.S.I. Sewer Project.

The Clerk informed members that Minister Reagan's Assistant was contacted again today and no meeting date has yet been set.

Due to the length of time it has taken to get a meeting with Minister Reagan, it was suggested that estimates be prepared.

Resolution C040826

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the motion made at the August 11, 2004

Council meeting to table the following motion be rescinded.

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“Moved by W. Smith and seconded by D. Hunt that a cost analysis be done by Municipal Staff for constructing a public sewer on Cape Sable Island from Kenney Road in Stoney Island to the Causeway at North East Point on the eastern side of Cape Sable Island, and that the construction of a sewer in this area be considered as Phase I of the C.S.I. Sewer Project.”

The Warden informed members that in order for a motion to be rescinded a unanimous decision of Council must be received.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Eddie Nickerson
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Louise Halliday
Dwayne Hunt

Motion defeated.

Resolution C040827

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by W. Smith that the Municipal Clerk prepare a cost analysis on the following two proposals and the information be presented at the next C.S.I. Sewer Committee:

- Proposed Phase I to consist of sewer sheds 7, 8, 10 & 11
- Proposed Phase I to consist of the area from Kenney Road in Stoney Island to the Causeway in North East Point on the eastern side of Cape Sable Island.

AFFIRMATION

Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Eddie Nickerson
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Dwayne Hunt

Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE

Doctor Kambli

The Clerk informed members that a letter has been received from Dr. Kambli which advised that she will be discontinuing work in the Barrington Passage area on September 2, 2004 and will be returning to Toronto for personal reasons.

Archelaus Smith Historical Society

The Clerk informed members that he had received a thank you letter from the Archelaus Smith Historical Society thanking Council for their grant in the amount of \$500.00.

REPORT OF WARDEN

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

COMMITTEE AND BOARD REPORTS

Finance and Administration Committee

Louise Purdy Request

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that Mrs. Purdy be advised that the Municipality will not be enforcing the restrictive covenant contained in her deed because it is their view that there is no legal requirement for the Municipality to enforce restrictive covenants and any individual landowner in this subdivision has the right to bring an action to enforce them.

It was suggested that this motion be tabled since the Finance Committee is currently awaiting additional information on this matter.

Resolution C040828

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Hunt that the above motion be tabled and that all motions pertaining to this matter be brought forward at a future meeting of Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

Drinking Brook Park Gazebo

Resolution C040829

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Hunt that since no request had been received for the use of the District 5 Community Grants Fund, to date, the Municipality allot up to \$5,000 from the Municipal Budget to provide for the completion of work at Drinking Brook Park this year instead of paying Community Grants in District 5.

Motion carried unanimously.

Community Litter Clean-up Program

Resolution C040830

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that a meeting be requested with the owners of McDonald's in order to discuss the litter problem within the community.

AFFIRMATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Sterling Belliveau
Louise Halliday
Dwayne Hunt
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower

Wayne Smith

Motion carried

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Grant Requests

Do For Others Club - Wood's Harbour

Resolution C040831

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that a grant of \$1,000 be provided from the District 1 Community Grants Fund to the Wood's Harbour Do For Others Club for the purpose of mowing the Greenwood Cemetery in Wood's Harbour.

Motion carried unanimously.

Society for the Preservation of the Greenhill Community Church

Resolution C040832

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that a grant of \$1,500 from the District 4 Community Grants Fund be provided to the Society for the Preservation of the Greenhill Community Church for the purpose of assisting in paying their insurance premiums.

Motion carried unanimously.

Clean-up of South Side Rest Stop Area

Resolution C040833

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by E. Nickerson that the \$4,000 previously put in Reserves from a prior year's unused District 7 Community Grants Fund now be designated for the construction of a tourist rest stop at South Side.

Motion carried unanimously.

Gilbert Krafve Request

Resolution C040834

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that the request made on behalf of Mr. Gilbert Krafve by Genesta Smith to be granted a low income property tax exemption for the 2004 taxation year be denied, as his request was not received prior to the deadline. Mr. Krafve is able to apply for this exemption again next year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C040835

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that Municipal Staff add Mr. Gilbert Krafve's name to the list of individuals who will be sent Low Income Property Tax Exemption forms for the coming year.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Amendment to Sewer By-Law

Resolution C040836

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that proposed amendments to By-Law No. 21 and By-Law No. 27 clarifying the Schedule "A" charges for adult residential institutions receive approval in first reading.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF CLERK-TREASURER

The Clerk-Treasurer gave a report on activities during the month of July 2004.

TENDERS - VARIOUS WORK

The Clerk informed members that tenders had been called for various work.

Miscellaneous Materials - Various Locations

Tenders were received from D. M. Snow Contracting Ltd. and Gardiner Allen Excavation Ltd. Tenderers this year were requested to quote on material based on weight. It appears that Gardiner Allen Excavation Ltd. may have quoted based on yardage.

Resolution C040837

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the Clerk review the tenders received for Miscellaneous Materials - Various Locations and bring back a recommendation to a future meeting of Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

Snow Removal

The Clerk informed members that tenders were called for snow removal for Cat Rock Drive and the Municipal Portion of the Goose Lake Road as well as various municipal properties.

No tenders were received on this.

Electrical Work

Tenders were received from Brannen's Electrical Service and Sou'West Electrical Ltd.

Resolution C040838

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by W. Smith that the tender received from Brannen's Electric Service Ltd., being the lowest tender received, be accepted for a one (1) year period commencing October 1, 2004.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Miscellaneous Carpentry Work

Only one (1) tender was received and that was from Charles W. Smith of Shag Harbour.

Resolution C040839

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the tender received from Charles W. Smith of Shag Harbour be accepted for Miscellaneous Carpentry Work for a one (1) year period commencing October 1, 2004.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Regular Meeting of Council was adjourned to hold a Closed Session of Council.

CLOSED SESSION

A Closed Session of Council was held at this time to deal with personnel matters and the possible purchase of property.

The Regular Meeting of Council was called back to order.

Yearly Increment

Resolution C040840

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by L. Halliday that Karl Lamrock, having received a satisfactory performance evaluation, receive his annual increment effective September 2, 2004.

Motion carried unanimously.

Cameron Whiteway

Resolution C040841

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by L. Halliday that after having received a satisfactory performance evaluation that Cameron Whiteway become a full-time employee of the Municipality of Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

Warden

Clerk

Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for Councillors on August 26, 2004 by Sharon Brannen.