

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Tuesday, May 25, 2004.

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

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported that all councillors from all districts were present with the exception of Councillor Dwayne Hunt from District 3.

The Clerk informed members that Councillor Hunt was absent due to work commitments.

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

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

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by A. Atkinson that the minutes of the last meeting held May 12, 2004 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING

Community Litter Clean-up Incentive Program

The Clerk gave a brief report on the Community Litter Clean-up Incentive Program. To date, 103 1/4 kms. have been cleaned resulting in 25,000 kgs. of waste being collected. Total incentive paid to date is \$20,650.00.

Job Descriptions

Deputy Warden Nickerson questioned whether employees had any problems with the job descriptions for the newly created positions of Property Services Supervisor and STP Operator.

The Clerk informed members that all employees involved in the restructuring of the Arena and Public Works Department have accepted the positions.

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that Council invite Derek Mesh to attend a future Finance Meeting to discuss any concerns which he may have regarding the newly created positions.

AFFIRMATIVE

Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Sterling Belliveau
Wayne Smith

Motion defeated.

Policing Services

The Clerk provided a brief report on Policing Services. The matter will be further discussed at a later date.

Lieutenant Governor's Medal

It was reported that an invitation has been received from the Department of Education inviting councillors to attend a presentation by the Lieutenant Governor, of the Lieutenant Governor's Medal, to winners from the Southwest Regional School Board. The presentation will take place at the Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School on Tuesday, June 8, 2004.

Resolution CA040520

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that the Warden attend the Lieutenant Governor's Medal ceremony on June 8, 2004 at the Yarmouth Consolidated Memorial High School.

Motion carried unanimously.

Guarantee for Bridge Financing - SWSDA

As a result of recent changes to banking practices it is now necessary for the South West Shore Development Authority to obtain a guarantee for bridge financing. The Authority will receive credit from their bank to enable bridge financing for the many projects administered in the Region when guarantees are in place from all eight (8) municipal units. The Authority is requesting that the Municipality of Barrington guarantee a maximum of 16.45% of \$500,000 which results in a maximum guarantee of \$82,250.00.

Resolution C040521

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by E. Nickerson that the request from the South West Shore Development Authority for the Municipality of Barrington to guarantee a maximum of 16.45% of \$500,000 be approved to enable the South West Shore Development Authority bridge financing for their projects.

AFFIRMATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Sterling Belliveau
Louise Halliday
Eddie Nickerson
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Fred Bower

Motion carried.

Team Shelburne

It was reported that a letter has been received from Warden Patricia Nickerson of the Municipality of Shelburne inviting a council representative to join Team Shelburne. The Team's mandate is twofold: (a) the Youth Centre closure; and, (b) other closures or issues that need addressing.

Resolution C040522

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by A. Atkinson that a letter be written to Warden Nickerson thanking her for the invitation for a council representative to serve on Team Shelburne, and inform her that Council declines her offer at this time as Council feels it would be advantageous for those municipal units to deal with the Youth Centre closure.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF WARDEN

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

May 20, 2004

The Warden informed members that he attended the official opening of the new Visitor Information Centre. The official opening was well attended. The Warden extended an invitation to all residents of the Municipality to visit the facility.

It was suggested that a sign be installed on the front of the new Visitor Information Centre building to make the building more visible. It was also suggested that the community room should be wheelchair accessible.

Resolution C040523

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by E. Nickerson that Municipal staff look into the cost of installing a wheelchair lift at the Visitor Information Centre and explore possible funding for the installation.

Motion carried unanimously.

May 21, 2004

The Warden informed members that he attended the "Salute to War Veterans" held at the Evelyn Richardson Memorial Elementary School on Friday, May 21, 2004.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Waste Check

Deputy Warden Nickerson informed members that he and the Clerk, Brian Holland, attended a recent meeting of Waste Check. At that meeting Diversion Credits were discussed.

The Clerk informed members that prior to the Waste Check meeting Notice of Action was served on Waste Check regarding Diversion Credits owed to the Municipality and Town of Clark's Harbour.

At that meeting information was circulated regarding waste diversion. This information will be summarized and presented at an upcoming Finance Committee meeting.

The Clerk informed members that a meeting of Municipal Clerks was held on Friday to discuss the Second Generation Landfill proposed by the Town of Yarmouth. Further information will be obtained regarding this matter and presented at a future Finance Committee meeting.

Finance and Administration Committee

Curfew

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that Municipal staff draft a Curfew By-Law for the entire Municipality to be applied on Halloween night.

Resolution C040524

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that the above motion be deferred to the next meeting of Council.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

Proposed SPCA Agreement for Pound Services

Resolution C040525

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that the Municipality enter into an agreement with the Yarmouth SPCA for the provision of Pound Services.

Motion carried unanimously.

Day Care Centres

Resolution C040526

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that after considering the assessment of Day Care Centres within the Municipality, no changes be recommended in their assessment at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Request from Barrington Municipal Exhibition Committee

Resolution C040527

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that consideration of the Barrington Municipal Exhibition Committee request for an increase in their grant be deferred for consideration to a meeting after the approval of the current year's Municipal Budget.

Motion carried unanimously.

Gregory Nickerson Request

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Halliday that the Municipality not sell the property adjacent to the Barrington Municipal High School at this time since the Municipality has not yet acquired the property and cannot sell it at this time, and when the property is acquired the Municipality will consider its options for disposition of the property.

Resolution C040528

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that the above motion be amended by deleting the words “disposition of”.

Motion carried unanimously.

The original motion as amended was then put to a vote and carried unanimously.

John Smith

Resolution C040529

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by E. Nickerson that the Municipality compensate John Smith an additional \$1,250.00 for the additional two weeks work he has spent painting the mural at the Visitor Information Centre.

AFFIRMATIVE

Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Eddie Nickerson
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Angus Atkinson

Motion carried.

May 21st Meeting at Sandy Point

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that the C.S.I. Sewer Committee members be authorized to attend the Lobster Chowder Supper at Sandy Point on May 21, 2004, at 5:00 p.m., in order to discuss the C.S.I. Sewer Project with Minister Regan, if possible.

Question was raised as to whether Committee members attended the Lobster Chowder Supper.

Deputy Warden Nickerson indicated that he did not attend because he had not been authorized to do so by Council.

Councillors Atkinson and Smith indicated that they both had prior commitments and were unable to attend.

Motion withdrawn.

Ownership of Property

Resolution C040530

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by W. Smith that Municipal staff determine who owns property located between Civic Address #1373 and Civic Address #1468, in Centreville, on the water side of the main road.

Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Advisory Committee

Councillor Smith gave a brief report on the Planning Advisory Committee meeting held on May 20, 2004.

Septic and Sewage Waste

Resolution C040531

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by F. Bower that the South West Shore Development Authority be requested to provide an update on their efforts to obtain funding for the watershed study to be done for the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously.

Community Health Care Advisory Committee

Councillor Halliday briefly reported on a meeting of the Community Health Care Advisory Committee held May 18, 2004.

Resolution C040532

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by F. Bower that the Municipal Clerk be authorized to further investigate the possibility of attracting dentists to practice in the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C040533

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by F. Bower that copies of the Community Health Centre Survey results be circulated to all three local doctor's offices for the information of the public, and that the survey results be publicized in the local newspaper and on the District Health Authority website in conjunction with the District Health Authority.

Motion carried unanimously.

Recreation & Facilities Management Committee

The Clerk informed members that a Recreation Committee meeting is scheduled to be held on June 7, 2004. He requested permission to change this meeting to a Hiring Committee Meeting to interview Recreation Summer Staff. If need be a Recreation Meeting will be held following the interviews.

This change was approved by members.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

The Clerk-Treasurer gave a report on activities for the month of April.

NEW BUSINESS

Job Descriptions

As a result of restructuring the Arena and the Public Works Department it is necessary to now put in place two job descriptions for the positions of Property Services Labourer and Assistant STP Operator.

Resolution C040534

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by E. Nickerson that the job descriptions for Property Services Labourer and Assistant STP Operator be approved as presented.

AFFIRMATIVE

Angus Atkinson
Sterling Belliveau
Fred Bower
Louise Halliday
Wayne Smith

NEGATIVE

Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

2004 Municipal Elections

The Returning Officer is requesting that the following dates be approved for revisions and preparation of the final List of Electors:

- August 2 - 20, 2004 - revisions will be carried out
- August 20, 2004 - last day for revisions
- August 31, 2004 - final List of Electors completed

Resolution C040535

Moved by A. Atkinson and seconded by W. Smith that the above referred to dates be approved as recommended by the Returning Officer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Dangerous and Unsightly Premises

The Clerk reported that there are two (2) dangerous & unsightly premises requiring the attention of Council.

The first matter relates to property owned by Lesa Perry located in Lower Clark's Harbour. The following is a list of areas of concern relating to this property:

- back door and some windows are open
- well on site is in need of a new cover
- large sections of trim have fallen off the outside of the house
- an accumulation of flammable grass and weeds are on the property
- house has a noticeable lean towards the rear

Photographs showing the condition of the property were circulated to councillors for their information.

The Clerk informed members that a letter was received earlier this evening from Lesa Perry in which she requests an extension. The Island and Barrington Passage Volunteer Fire Department will be discussing this matter at their next meeting which is to be held on June 1, 2004. It is hoped that the Fire Department will be able to burn the house down as a training exercise for the Department. The Department must first receive approval from the Department of Environment to carry out this exercise and therefore Mrs. Perry is requesting an extension.

Resolution C040536

Moved by W. Smith and seconded by F. Bower that Lesa Perry be granted an extension until the second meeting of Council in June to address the dangerous and unsightly condition of her property located in Lower Clark's Harbour.

<u>AFFIRMATIVE</u>	<u>NEGATIVE</u>
Angus Atkinson	Fred Bower
Sterling Belliveau	
Louise Halliday	
Eddie Nickerson	
Wayne Smith	

Motion carried.

Concern was expressed regarding the condition of the well cover.

The next property of concern is property belonging to FRL Holdings Ltd. Illegal dumping has been taking place on this property. Photographs were circulated showing the condition of the property. The waste deposited there consists of tire rims, barrel, various pieces of metal, etc.

The Clerk informed members that he has been in conversation with Dickie Malone regarding this matter. Mr. Malone objects to property owners having to clean up other people's waste. Mr. Malone has suggested that more effort be put into finding out who is doing the illegal dumping. He is requesting that letters be forwarded to the Minister of the Department of Natural Resources as well as to the Premier expressing concern Re: illegal dumping.

The Chair was then turned over to the Deputy Warden.

The Warden addressed the matter and indicated that he sympathized with the property owners having to deal with illegal dumping taking place on their properties.

Resolution C040537

Moved by S. Belliveau and seconded by W. Smith that a letter be forwarded to the Premier and the Minister of Natural Resources expressing our concern over the amount of illegal dumping taking place within the Municipality of Barrington and the burden it places on the property owner.

Motion carried unanimously.

Warden Belliveau resumed his chair.

Resolution C040538

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by F. Bower that the Municipal Council issue an order to FRL Holdings Ltd. requiring them to clean up their property located in the Clement's Pond area within thirty (30) days. Failure to do so will result in the Municipality carrying out the required work at the cost of the property owner, and the cost of so doing will be added to their tax account resulting in a lien against the property.

Motion carried unanimously.

Causeway

Deputy Warden Nickerson suggested that Municipal staff organize events to be held at the Causeway. One idea mentioned was "Christmas at the Causeway". This could include a Christmas tree being placed at the end of McGray Avenue and wreaths and candy canes being installed on telephone poles etc.

Resolution C040539

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by A. Atkinson that the Recreation Director plan "Christmas at the Causeway" and report his progress monthly to the Recreation & Facilities Management Committee who will in turn report to Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

SHEROSE ISLAND SCHOOL SITE

In advance to the meeting each member was provided with Sections 7 and 8 of the 45 page report received from Fracflow Consultants on the Sherose Island Sewage Treatment Plant. In Section 8 the consultants state that the capacity of the existing plant will be exceeded by adding the proposed new school, and as a result of this and other uncertainties the Municipality will be well advised to consider total system replacement. The cost to install a new system is estimated to be approximately \$500,000.00.

Much discussion took place regarding this matter and it was once again noted that the Municipal Council offered "land only" for the construction of the new school and at no time indicated that it would be serviced land.

Resolution C040540

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by F. Bower that a letter be forwarded to the Minister of Education, Jamie Muir, indicating that Request #2 contained in his letter of April 22, 2004 be denied, and that Request #3, as it now exists, be denied as well.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:53 p.m.

_____ Warden _____ Clerk

Secretary for the Meeting

Copied for Councillors on May 27, 2004 by Sharon Brannen.

