

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, September 26, 2005.

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 with the exception of Councillor Sean Strang who was away on personal business.

- Warden Sterling Belliveau
- Deputy Warden Fred Bower
- Councillor Louise Halliday
- Councillor Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Councillor Eddie Nickerson
- Councillor Larry Stewart

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

CONFLICT OF INTEREST _____ - None Declared

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the minutes of the Special Council Meetings held August 29th, September 6th and September 19th, and the Regular Council Meeting held September 12, 2005, be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

BARRINGTON PASSAGE COMMUNITY CLUB

Members of the Barrington Passage Community Club, Jack Fry, Walter Wilson and Norman Wall appeared before the meeting.

The Warden was presented with a cheque in the amount of \$16,500.00 which was being donated to the Municipality to be applied towards the following projects:

1. \$9,000.00 to cover the estimated cost to build a concrete block building for washrooms for the Sherose Island Ball Field with the understanding that the Municipality will assume the responsibility to carry out the project and provide the additional funds required to cover the cost of toilets, wash basins, electrical, etc.
2. \$7,500.00 towards the cost of providing improved tennis court facilities at Sherose Island.

The Community Club then presented the Warden and Mrs. Marjory Weeks, Chairman of the Friends of the Library, with a cheque in the amount of \$25,377.11, to be used towards the cost of furnishing and equipping the new library which is currently under construction in Barrington Passage.

It was also reported that the Club had previously paid off the outstanding loan of the Sherose Island Amateur Sports Athletic Association in the amount of \$10,483.56.

Members of the Barrington Passage Community Club were thanked for their financial contribution towards recreational programs in the area, as well as their generous contribution of over \$25,000.00 to assist with the cost of furnishing and equipping the new library.

The Clerk informed members that this is the second donation made to the Friends of the Library towards the cost of furnishings and equipment for the new library. The first contribution was made by the RBC Foundation in the amount of \$500.00.

Members were thanked for their contributions and retired from the meeting.

PORT CLYDE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Barbara Nickerson, member of the Port Clyde Women's Institute, appeared before the meeting. She presented the Warden with a plaque commending Warden, Councillors and Staff for the civic and financial leadership displayed in the policies, planning and implementation of the Barrington Municipal Litter Clean-up and Incentive Program.

The Clerk also thanked Benny Acker, Department of Transportation, for assisting in the program by approving permits, providing signs, garbage bags, etc.

Mrs. Nickerson was thanked for her presentation and retired from the meeting.

CORRIDOR STUDY

Mr. Greg Newell, Area Manager of the Department of Transportation, appeared before the meeting. He appeared for the purpose of discussing a possible corridor study being carried out in the Barrington Passage area as requested by Council. The area being considered is from the Temple Church in Barrington Passage to the Barrington Municipal High School. Mr. Newell informed members that this type of study is usually cost-shared 50/50 between the municipal unit and the Department of Transportation. Such a study would consist of pedestrian movement, turning movement, access management, future development, etc.

During discussion of this matter Mr. Newell informed members that it was his understanding that traffic lights will be installed at the intersection near the Irving Station in Barrington Passage. It is expected that this installation will be carried out by the end of next summer.

Resolution C050928

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by E. Nickerson that the corridor study be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council for further discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

At this time Councillor Messenger requested Mr. Newell to have the centre line repainted on Sherose Island.

Deputy Warden Bower also requested Mr. Newell to determine whether shoulder work in the

Port LaTour area has been completed.

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The Warden requested Mr. Newell to investigate storm drainage located on the north and south sides of the Post Office Road in Wood's Harbour.

Mr. Newell was thanked for appearing before Council and retired from the meeting.

INTERVIEW CRAIG NICKERSON, MINOR HOCKEY, RE: ARENA POLICY

Mr. Craig Nickerson of the Shelburne County Minor Hockey Association appeared before the meeting. Mr. Nickerson expressed concern that the Arena Policy requires them to provide 48 hours notice of ice cancellation. Mr. Nickerson informed members that it is very difficult to give 48 hours notice and that it would be much better for the teams to be able to provide something less. He was suggesting possibly 36 hours notice.

The Clerk informed Mr. Nickerson that it is necessary for the Municipality to have ample opportunity to re-rent time which has been canceled. The Municipal Council has tried to strike a balance in the past at 48 hours as opposed to increased ice rentals.

Resolution C050929

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Stewart that this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion and that the Arena Manager be present for discussion of this matter.

Motion carried unanimously.

SHELBURNE COUNTY LEARNING NETWORK

Krista Peterson of the Shelburne County Learning Network appeared before the meeting. She informed members that the Shelburne County Learning Network and Youth Services are currently located in the former Annex School in Barrington Passage. Once the new CED Centre/Library has been completed Youth Services will be relocating there. She informed members that the Annex building has been allowed to deteriorate and at present air quality is questionable. She is requesting Council to allow the Shelburne County Learning Network to use the old library once the library has moved. She is requesting that this space be made available to the Network free of charge. She indicated to members that if free space is not found in the Municipality of Barrington then there is a possibility that the program will have to be moved to Shelburne.

It was questioned whether the old library would be a suitable location for the Shelburne County Learning Network since there is only one washroom which is located upstairs, the water quality is not good, there is no parking, etc.

Resolution C050930

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Stewart that this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole for further discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE ON SKATEBOARD PARK FUNDRAISING

The Clerk informed members that he and Ray Green met with Stephanie Harris, a member of the Skateboarding Group. She informed them that they have had one (1) fundraiser thus far resulting in \$84.00 being raised. The group is planning to have dances for 10 - 14 year olds and to sell 50/50 tickets. Stephanie agreed to provide a list of equipment that would be purchased and the approximate cost of the equipment within three weeks. She also indicated that it would probably be Spring before the skateboarding equipment is actually installed.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINTUES

Auditing Services

The Clerk informed members that after reviewing the tenders received from Grant Thornton and Redding and Drane that both tenders were lacking information.

Both proponents have been requested to submit the missing information which has now been received. The Clerk suggested that since neither of the tenderers met the requirements of the tender call, that the Municipal Council waive technical requirements and consider both tenders together with the information subsequently received.

Resolution C050931

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by L. Halliday that Municipal Council waive technical requirements of the tenders received for auditing services as recommended by the Municipal Clerk and that both tenders be considered. It is felt that this course of action is in the best interest of the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tender information is as follows.

Redding and Drane

- Year 1 to Year 3 - \$10,500.00 per year, plus disbursements, plus H.S.T.
- 4th year - \$11,000.00 per year, plus disbursements, plus H.S.T.
- 5th year - \$11,500.00, plus disbursements, plus H.S.T.
- Fire Department Statements - \$2,400.00 per year, plus disbursements, plus H.S.T.

Grant Thornton

- _____ Year 1 - \$15,000.00
- Year 2 - \$15,500.00
- Year 3 - \$16,000.00
- Year 4 - \$16,500.00
- Year 5 - \$17,000.00

Fire Department Statements:

- Year 1 - \$4,800.00
- Year 2 - \$5,000.00
- Year 3 - \$5,200.00
- Year 4 - \$5,400.00
- Year 5 - \$5,400.00

Total amount of tenders over five (5) years are:

- Redding & Drane - \$66,000.00
- Grant Thornton - \$105,800.00

Resolution C050932

Moved by L. Halliday and seconded by D. Messenger that the tender received from Redding and Drane for auditing services for the next five year period be accepted, being the lowest tender received.

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE - None

REPORT OF WARDEN

Terry Fox Run

The Warden informed members that Councillor Sean Strang took park in the Wood's Harbour Terry Fox Run. There were 31 walkers in total.

Beach Sweep

The Warden informed members that he and Councillor Halliday participated in a beach sweep held at the Evelyn Richardson Memorial Elementary School.

South West Shore Development Authority

The Warden informed members that the Annual Meeting of the South West Shore Development Authority was held today. He gave a brief report on the meeting and informed members that the Authority is still attempting to sell the Sound Stage property located in Sandy Point. At this meeting discussion also took place regarding the causeway study, and a motion was made to the Executive to source money to fund this study.

A balance sheet as at August 31, 2005, as well as financial statements for the year ended March 31, 2005, were provided to the Clerk.

REPORT OF CLERK-TREASURER

The Clerk gave a brief report on activities during the month of August.

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COMMITTEE REPORTS

District Health Authority

Councillor Messenger informed members that she as well as Councillor Halliday and the Municipal Clerk attended a meeting of the District Health Authority earlier today. At this meeting discussion took place regarding international medical graduates and the new clinic opening in Yarmouth, nurse practitioners, etc.

Committee of the Whole Council

Familiarization Tour

Resolution C050933

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality provide \$300.00 to sponsor a meal for the FAM Tour being conducted on October 17th, 18th and 19th in Shelburne County.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chamber of Commerce Coordinator

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipality accept the recommendation of the Visitor Information Centre Manager that the position of the Coordinator for the Barrington and Area Chamber of Commerce be separated from that of the Visitor Information Centre Manager and the Chamber a Commerce hire a separate individual to perform this function.

Resolution C050934

Moved by E. Nickerson and seconded by F. Bower that the above motion be tabled until the Clerk has an opportunity to discuss this matter with the Chamber of Commerce.

Motion carried unanimously.

Library Board

Deputy Warden Bower informed members that the Library Board met last Thursday and a news letter has been circulated to each member of Council.

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

At this time a Closed Session of Council was held to deal with personnel matters.

The regular session of Council was resumed.

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Increments

Resolution C050935

Moved by F. Bower and seconded by L. Stewart that Dale Eshelby, Matron of Lock-up, and Richard Crowell, Deputy Keeper of Lock-up, receive their annual increments in the amount of \$0.52 per hour, effective on their anniversary dates.

Motion carried unanimously.

CED CENTRE/LIBRARY

It was noted that an email has been received from Mrs. Hattie Perry of Barrington regarding the construction of the CED Centre/Library in Barrington Passage.

It was the consensus of members that the Warden make contact with Mrs. Perry to address her concerns.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by F. Bower that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:12 p.m.

Warden

Clerk

Secretary for the Meeting

On website September 27, 2005.

