

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, June 12, 2006.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Councillor Louise Halliday who is filling in for Warden Sterling Belliveau while he is on leave of absence.

ROLL CALL

The Clerk reported that all councillors representing all districts of the Municipality were present with the exception of Warden Sterling Belliveau, Deputy Warden Fred Bower and Councillor Eddie Nickerson all due to leaves of absence.

- Councillor Louise Halliday, Chairperson
- Councillor Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Councillor Larry Stewart
- Councillor Sean Strang

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

DECLARATION OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest declared.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that the minutes of the last meeting held May 23, 2006 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Tri County Housing Authority

The Clerk informed members that correspondence has been received from Christine G. Nickerson of Wood's Harbour expressing an interest in serving as the Municipality's representative on the Tri County Housing Authority Board.

Resolution C060601

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by L. Stewart that Christine G. Nickerson be appointed our representative on the Tri County Housing Authority Board.

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

South West Shore Volunteer Services

The Clerk informed members that correspondence has been received from Reverend Edwin D. Allen expressing thanks to Council for their work and support of the South West Shore Volunteer Services.

C.S.I. Causeway

It was reported that a copy of correspondence forwarded to The Honourable Loyola Hearn, Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, from MP Gerald Keddy, has been received. The letter made the Minister aware of the concerns relating to the sand buildup along the Cape Sable Island Causeway, and requested that the Municipality of Barrington be directed to the appropriate department in order to have the necessary studies carried out to address the problem.

It was agreed by members that this matter be placed in pending for one month, and that if no response is received from the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans, or MP Gerald Keddy, then the matter once again be pursued.

Volunteers

Correspondence has been received from the Premier acknowledging receipt of our letter dated May 1, 2006 regarding volunteerism in Nova Scotia and advised that our recommendations will receive full consideration.

Free Trade Talks

Correspondence has been received from CAW Canada advising that the union is opposed to the ongoing trade talks with Korea and that they are campaigning across the country to make known their concerns and why these talks should be stopped. The letter further advised that if the government proceeds with these talks it will mean the devastation of our auto industry and the shipbuilding industry, to name just two major industries that would suffer as a result of such a deal.

Resolution C060602

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipal Clerk further investigate the request from CAW Canada and that the matter be placed on a future agenda for discussion.

Motion carried unanimously.

Invitation

Councillor Halliday informed members that an invitation has been received inviting councillors to participate in the Lockeport July 1st ceremonies.

Shelburne County Adult Workshops & Residential Services

It was reported that an invitation has been received from the Shelburne County Adult Workshops & Residential Services inviting councillors to attend "Celebration Dinner and Annual General

Meeting”, to be held on Tuesday, June 13, 2006”.

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Resolution C060603

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that any councillor wishing to attend have their expenses paid by the Municipality.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

C & D Landfill Site

The Clerk informed members that the Household Hazardous Waste Depot located at the C & D Landfill Site, which opened in the spring, has been very busy. Last week 15 drums of waste were forwarded for disposal.

COMMUNITY BASED OPTIONS

At this time Christine Nickerson and Heather Williams appeared before the meeting. They made Council aware of their intent to open a Community Based Options Home located in North East Point. They are requesting Council’s support regarding licensing of their establishment by the Department of Health. Mrs. Nickerson informed Council members that for the past two years the government has had a moratorium on such licences while a study has been conducted to determine the necessity for these seniors homes.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that a letter be written to the Department of Health to determine why no further licences have been issued for community based option homes.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that the above motion be amended to include a letter of support for the application to be made by Christine Nickerson and Heather Williams for the licensing of their proposed community based option home to be located at North East Point.

Motion carried unanimously.

The main motion as amended was then put to a vote.

Resolution C060604

“...that a letter be written to the Department of Health to determine why no further licences have been issued for community based option homes, and that a letter of support be provided for the application to be made by Christine Nickerson and Heather Williams for the licensing of their proposed community based option home to be located at North East Point.”

Motion carried unanimously.

APARTMENT COMPLEX

At this time Michael Hennigar addressed Council requesting Council's support, in principle, for his proposed eight (8) unit apartment complex to be located in Barrington Passage. He further asked Council to include in their letter that there is a community need for such a facility. It is Mr. Hennigar's intent to develop an eight unit apartment complex in the former I.O.O.F. Hall located in Barrington Passage. The apartment units will be located on the second and third floors of the building. The first floor will be occupied by Sea Spray Laundry and the Barrington Group Home.

Resolution C060605

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that a letter of support, in principle, be provided to Mr. Hennigar for his proposed apartment complex project.

Motion carried unanimously.

During discussion of this matter it was noted that the apartment units would be made available to the general public.

COMMUNITY LITTER CLEAN-UP PROGRAM

The Clerk informed members that the Community Litter Clean-up Program has been completed for 2006. The following statistics were provided on the program:

	2006	2005	2004
Waste Collected	7,570 kgs.	10,790 kgs.	33,960 kgs.
Bags Collected	1,902	2,268	3,918
Weight per bag	3.98 kgs.	4.76 kgs.	8.92 kgs.
Kilometers cleaned	114 kms	103 kms	133.45 kms.
Cost	\$11,400.00	\$10,300.00	\$26,690.00

2006 Spring Clean-up

The Clerk provided statistics relating to the 2006 Spring Clean-up:

- 99 truck loads were received at the C & D Landfill Site
- 227,180 kgs. of waste collected,
- total amount paid to Ridge Road Recycling - \$22,718.00, plus H.S.T.

REPORT OF WARDEN

Councillor Halliday provided a report on functions attended since the last meeting of Council as the Warden's alternate.

On May 24, 2006 there was a meeting of the Roseway Hospital Charitable Foundation held in Shelburne. During this meeting a motion was passed that the Foundation forgive another \$20,000.00 on the \$100,000.00 loan provided to the Municipality of Barrington for renovations to the Community Health Centre located in Barrington Passage.

On May 30, 2006 there was a meeting of the Yarmouth Regional Hospital Charitable Foundation. At this meeting it was reported that the MRI machine will be up and running by the end of summer.

On June 5, 2006 Councillor Halliday informed members that she attended the Lieutenant Governor's Medals Ceremony held in Digby. B.M.H.S. recipients were John Alexander Wickens-Brannen and Emily Amanda Nickerson.

Resolution C060606

Moved by L. Stewart and seconded by S. Strang that letters of congratulations be forwarded to John Alexander Wickens-Brannen and Emily Amanda Nickerson.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Halliday informed members that on June 7, 2006 Premier Rodney MacDonald visited Bay Side Home and at that time made a commitment to provide 40 additional beds to Bay Side Home.

CLERK-TREASURER'S REPORT

The Clerk provided a detailed report on activities carried out during the month of April 2006.

TAX SALE REPORT

The Clerk informed members that a Tax Sale was held earlier today resulting in eight (8) properties being sold, two of which were purchased by the Municipality.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Councillor Messenger informed members that she attended the Sea Cadet Ceremony held on May 27, 2006. She also informed members that she attended the Relay for Life held in Yarmouth.

Community Health Care Advisory Committee

Request for Draft Agreements

Resolution C060607

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that Municipal Staff be requested to draft

contract agreements for the provision of services by Dr. Wouna Chaloner at the Community Health Centre.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Resolution C060608

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Strang that Municipal Staff be requested to draft contract agreements for the provision of physiotherapy services by Terry Redmond at the Community Health Centre.

Committee of the Whole Council

Sale of Municipal Property

Resolution C060609

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that a response be provided to Mr. Albert Newell indicating that the Municipality is not interested in selling property at Ridge Road in Oak Park at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Julie Atwood Request

Resolution C060610

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipality not rent the building next to the Old Court House as a residence at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Joint Committee on Financial Management Capacity in Local Governments

Resolution C060611

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the Clerk-Treasurer serve on the Joint Committee being established to help build Financial Management Capacity in Local Governments in Nova Scotia, and that the Municipality approve and pay for the time and costs associated with this participation.

Motion carried unanimously.

Glenwright Nickerson Memorial Softball Field

Resolution C060612

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that the Municipal Solicitor proceed to have the Glenwright Nickerson Memorial Softball Field property returned to the Municipality as per the deed granted in 1982.

Motion carried unanimously.

Attendance at Meetings

Resolution C060613

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the expenses to attend the Yarmouth Hospital Charitable Foundation Annual Meeting be paid for Councillor Halliday to attend the meeting.

Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Bursary

Resolution C060614

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that as a result of voting Bethany Messenger be the recipient of the Municipal Bursary for 2006.

Motion carried unanimously.

Road Name

Resolution C060615

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that the name Andrew Avenue be approved for a new road to be added to the Anthony Estates Mobile Home Park in Barrington.

Motion carried unanimously.

Lock-up

Resolution C060616

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that the Department of Justice be required to provide the CCTV recording system they are recommending for the Lock-up.

Motion carried unanimously.

CED Centre/Library

Resolution C060617

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the sign for the CED Centre/Library be titled "Owaissa Park".

Motion carried unanimously.

Leave of Absence Policy

Resolution C060618

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that Municipal Staff draft a leave of absence policy.

Motion carried unanimously.

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It was agreed that once the policy was drafted it would be forwarded to the Committee of the Whole for consideration.

Hiring Committee

The Clerk informed members that he and the Recreation Director, Ray Green, interviewed thirteen (13) applicants for the Program Supervisor positions with the Recreation Department. He informed members that it is their recommendation that Ashlee Watt, Felicia Blades, Sarah Rose and Katie Thurber be hired.

Resolution C060619

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that Ashlee Watt, Felicia Blades, Sarah Rose and Katie Thurber be hired as Program Supervisors for the Barrington Municipal Recreation Department.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Clerk informed members that he and the Recreation Director, Ray Green, also interviewed five (5) applicants for the positions of Lifeguard/Instructor. It is their recommendation that Shasta Nickerson, Meagan Harris and Stepanie Swim be hired.

Resolution C060620

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that Shasta Nickerson, Meagan Harris, and Stepanie Swim be hired as Lifeguard/Instructors for the Barrington Municipal Pool.

CLOSED SESSION OF COUNCIL

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

The Regular Session of Council was then called back to order.

Resolution C060621

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by L. Stewart that contact be made with the Tri County Regional School Board advising that the Municipality would like to acquire ownership of the Annex property not later than August 31, 2006.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C060622

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that the Municipality of Barrington is in

agreement to accepting ownership of the B.M.H.S. property on June 30, 2006.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Yearly Increment

Resolution C060622

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that Thomas Hennigar receive his annual increment on his anniversary date.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C060623

Moved by S. Strang and seconded by D. Messenger that Michael Swim after having received a satisfactory performance evaluation receive his yearly increment on his anniversary date.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Moved by S. Strang that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Chairperson

Secretary for the Meeting

On website June 14, 2006.

