

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, October 25, 2010.

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:

- Warden George El-Jakl
- Deputy Warden Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Councillor Murray Atkinson
- Councillor Louise Halliday
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield
- Councillor Cecil O'Donnell
- Councillor Cathy Stoddard
  
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk
- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

### CLOSED SESSION

At 6:30 p.m. a Closed Session of Council was held to deal with matters concerning the Waste Collection Agreement.

### DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of conflict of interest.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Moved** by C. O'Donnell and seconded by D. Messenger that the minutes of the last meeting of Council held October 12, 2010 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### PRESENTATION - ANGIE CHETWYND, RED CROSS

Angie Chetwynd of the local Red Cross Disaster Team; Wendy Deveau, Service Centre Coordinator; and Sundae Weiser, Disaster Team volunteer, appeared before the meeting. The Red Cross representatives made Council aware of their presence in the area. The coverage area of the local Red Cross office is Digby to Lockeport. There are four (4) disaster services teams in the region; one in Yarmouth, one in Digby, one in Clare and now one in Barrington. It was reported that the local team has already made two responses in this area. Ms. Chetwynd advised that their local team currently has 9 volunteers and they are looking for more. The local group plans to hold fundraisers in the near future and plan to make presentations to elementary school students to make them aware of the local Red Cross and the importance of being prepared for emergencies. It was noted that Jason Goodwin is the acting team leader for the Barrington Disaster Team.

The presenters were thanked for appearing before Council and making their presentation.

PRESENTATION - SANDY BRANNEN RE: C.S.I. SEWER

Mrs. Sandy Brannen of Stoney Island appeared before the meeting and informed members that she and others in her area are opposed to the sewage treatment plant being located on the Frelick property in Stoney Island. She advised members that she has formed a facebook group which provides information on the project and has encouraged residents to call their councillors.

Mrs. Brannen informed members that she has circulated a petition in the area to be served by the sewer from Civic #468 to 1489 Clam Point/Stoney Island. There are 134 residences in this area. 137 signatures have been obtained, 83 of which are from the 134 households to be served. 100% of the 83 signatures are opposed to the treatment plant being located on the Frelick property.

During Mrs. Brannen's presentation she indicated that a lot of residents are unaware of the new proposal for the C.S.I. Sewer and many residents still believe that the original proposal that was presented to the public at a public meeting is still being considered by Council. Mrs. Brannen stated to Council that she felt that residents should be made aware of the new proposal.

Resolution C101014

**Moved** by C. Stoddard and seconded by S. Hatfield that having reached the end of the allotted time for this presentation, Mrs. Brannen be permitted to continue.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Brannen was thanked for appearing before Council and making her presentation.

**Moved** by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that a decision be made by the end of the year on the C.S.I. Sewer Project.

The Clerk informed members that Council had instructed him to purchase the Frelick property for the purposes of locating a treatment plant on the site. The closing date on this property has been extended to December 31, 2010. The Clerk informed members that he was also instructed to hire an archeologist which had been done and then put on hold. The archeologist would like to complete his work on the site before snow falls.

**Moved** by C. O'Donnell and seconded by S. Hatfield that the above motion be amended to require that a decision be made not later than November 22, 2010.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C101015

*"...that a decision be made not later than November 22, 2010 on the C.S.I. Sewer Project."*

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

It was agreed that the C.S.I. Sewer be added to the next Committee of the Whole meeting for further discussion.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Canadian Postal Service Charter

The Clerk informed members that correspondence has been received from Canada Post. The letter was in response to our letter to the Honourable Rob Merrifield, Minister of State (Transport) regarding the preservation of the postal service. The letter advised that it is unfortunate that the Canadian Union of Postal Workers has initiated a campaign creating doubt about their postal services. Canada Post is not only committed to the Government's moratorium on rural post office closures, but also makes every effort to prevent disruptions to the operations of rural offices when exceptional circumstances occur.

CORRESPONDENCE

Thank You Letter

The Clerk informed members that a thank you letter has been received from the Camp Jordan Board thanking Council for their grant in the amount of \$750.00.

REPORT OF COUNCILLORS

Deputy Warden Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Deputy Warden Messenger gave a brief report on her activities since the last meeting of Council.

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Committee Recommendations

RCMP Monthly Report

Resolution C101016

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by M. Atkinson that the RCMP monthly statistical reports continue to be circulated to councillors by email.

Motion carried unanimously.

Economic Development

Resolution C101017

**Moved** by C. Stoddard and seconded by S. Hatfield that Municipal Staff determine if there is any funding available for an Economic Development Officer for the Municipality and further investigate the hiring of such an officer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Committee Meetings in Council Chambers

Resolution C101018

**Moved** by L. Halliday and seconded by D. Messenger that committee meetings now be held in the Conference Room as they have been done in the past.

**AFFIRMATIVE**

Murray Atkinson

Louise Halliday

Shaun Hatfield

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Cecil O'Donnell

Cathy Stoddard

**NEGATIVE**

George El-Jakl

Motion carried.

Amendments to By-Law No. 25 "Tax Exemption By-Law"

Resolution C101019

**Moved** by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that the Municipal Clerk determine the cost of providing a full exemption to the remaining charitable organization properties covered by By-Law No. 25, and determine the Municipal Government Acts' limitations on these exemptions.

Motion carried unanimously.

Department of Transportation Matters

Resolution C101020

**Moved** by C. O'Donnell and seconded by S. Hatfield that the Municipality send a letter to the Department of Transportation asking them to sweep the crushed stone off the edge of the asphalt near the West River Road in Clyde River.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C101021

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by C. O'Donnell that a letter be sent to the Department of Transportation requesting that they cut grass at the guardrail along the Sherose Island Road.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C101022

**Moved** by M. Atkinson and seconded by C. Stoddard that the Department of Transportation be reminded of the Municipality's request to have a guardrail installed at the Cape Sable Island Causeway.

Motion carried unanimously.

Planning Advisory Committee Meeting

Recreation and Municipal Services

Resolution C101023

**Moved** by C. Stoddard and seconded by S. Hatfield that municipal recreational facilities be identified and assigned civic addresses, as required, to facilitate Emergency Services' responses to those properties.

Motion carried unanimously.

REPORT OF WARDEN

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

REPORT OF CLERK-TREASURER

The Clerk informed members that due to the lengthy meeting held today with Jack Novack regarding the Organizational Study, no written report was available. The Clerk informed members that the report will be prepared and forwarded to them by email.

Fire Services Study

Members were reminded that on Saturday, November 13, 2010, a meeting will be held with Mike Eddy to discuss the Fire Services Study. Fire department representatives, as well as councillors, are invited to attend. The meeting will commence at 10:00 a.m. and be held in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre.

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES

Councillor Hatfield informed members that he is unavailable to attend the Remembrance Day Services to be held at BMHS on November 10, 2010. It was agreed that Deputy Warden Messenger attend in his place.

NEW BUSINESS

Banking Agreement Proposals

The Clerk informed members that proposals were invited from the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce and the Royal Bank of Canada to provide banking services to the Municipality for the next five (5) year period, beginning December 15, 2010. Both banks have provided proposals which were opened by the Warden.

Resolution C101024

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Hatfield that the Clerk review both proposals in detail and provide a recommendation to Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

Building Permits Report

In advance to the meeting each member was provided with a copy of a report showing building permits issued for the period April to September 2010. The report indicated that a total of 83 permits have been issued during this period at a total value of \$1,942,100.00.

Reduction in Shelburne County Street Crime Unit Team

Correspondence has been received from the Municipality of Shelburne advising that the Shelburne County East RCMP Advisory Board will be meeting with the DPO Superintendent, Craig Gibson, and the Advisory NCO, Staff Sgt. Frank Landry, to discuss the reduction in the Shelburne County Street Crime Unit Team. Since this matter involves all of Shelburne County, representatives from other municipal units in the County are being invited to attend this meeting as well.

It was agreed that the Municipal Clerk and Warden attend the meeting scheduled for November 4, 2010 at 1:30 p.m.

Traffic on Snow's Road

It was reported that Deputy Warden Messenger requested that this matter be placed on the agenda for discussion. She advised that a constituent had requested that a stop sign be placed at the end of Wade Christie's new road leading up to his garage, and also requested to have a speed limit or a slow, children at play sign, placed on Snow's Road.

The Clerk informed members that the road from Snow's Road into Wade Christie's garage is a private driveway. Mr. Christie has agreed to install a stop sign at the end of his driveway. The Clerk informed members that the request for a speed sign and children playing sign will be discussed with Benny Acker, Department of Transportation.

ADJOURNMENT

**Moved** by C. O'Donnell that the meeting adjourn.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

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Warden

Clerk

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Secretary for the Meeting

**On website October 26, 2010.**