

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

February 25, 2011

The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 9:15 a.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- George El-Jakl, Chair
- Murray Atkinson
- Louise Halliday
- Shaun Hatfield
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Cathy Stoddard

- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

Absent was member Cecil O'Donnell.

### PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of the meeting was to review and discuss the Municipality's Capital Investment Plan. The Capital Investment Plan for the years 2007-2011 was reviewed.

There then followed discussion of various projects and priorities for future development.

It was suggested to members that the following process be followed:

- a. Establish evaluation criteria.
- b. Determine a list of projects.
- c. Evaluation of projects to determine priorities.
- d. Overall discussion.
- e. Determination of final plan.

The criteria were then reviewed and discussed at length.

It was the consensus of members that benefits of various projects should be weighed and discussed in regards to the cost of those projects.

It was also suggested that the environmental criteria should be separated into different groups and that economic criteria should also be separated into different groups.

There was some discussion regarding subjective criteria being included, however, none were brought forward or agreed upon.

It was agreed that a separate meeting should again be held to further discuss the Capital Investment Plan. A revised list of criteria will be provided to members. Members will provide a list of any additional projects to be included in the Capital Investment Plan, to the Municipal Clerk, as soon as possible, so that they can be included. A minimum score will be set to determine the priority of projects. Once the list of criteria has been revised, and a new list of projects determined, they will be circulated together with evaluation forms for councillors to evaluate independently. These independent evaluation forms will then be summarized and another meeting held to review the results.

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed their discussion of the Capital Investment Plan the meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 11:40 p.m.

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Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

**On website February 28, 2011.**