

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

June 13, 2011

The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 4:35 p.m., in the Council Chambers, 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
 - Cecil O'Donnell
 - Cathy Stoddard
- Brian Holland, Municipal Clerk

PURPOSE OF MEETING

The purpose of this meeting was to further discuss the Municipal Budget for the 2011/2012 fiscal year.

Members were informed that the following adjustments will need to be made to the budget:

1. Bay Side Home sewer charges will increase by approximately \$2,443.00 this year as a result of their expansion.
2. The H.S.T. rebate through NSPI has been confirmed by email at \$14,891.00.
3. The PEP grant for the Visitor Information Centre has been approved in the amount of \$4,552.00.
4. The actual RCMP contract costs have been confirmed and are \$1,293.00 less than anticipated.

As a result, the net decrease in budget requirements is \$23,179.00. This decrease will allow the budget to be balanced without any further adjustments.

QUEEN OF HEARTS DORY CLUB REQUEST

There then followed some discussion regarding the request from the Queen of Hearts Dory Club. It was suggested that there are several alternative means of funding this request. One means of funding the request is to provide a grant to the Dory Club and withdraw the corresponding amount of funds from the Special Reserve Fund Operating. A second manner of providing these funds would be to use the funds that are included in the budget for economic development to provide a grant to the Club as the development of the Dory Club will have an affect on economic development by attracting tourists and other visitors to the area.

There then followed some discussion regarding this and other alternatives.

It was also suggested that the conditions of providing the grant to the Dory Club include that the Dory Club itself would do fundraising towards this project, and the funding must also be received from other sources such as the Nova Scotia Department of Economic Development or the Atlantic Canada Opportunities Agency to enable this project to proceed.

Resolution COW110607

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by M. Atkinson that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality designate \$5,000.00 from the Special Reserve Fund Operating for a grant to the Queen of Hearts Dory Club for a period of one year providing the Dory Club raises funds towards their project and that the balance of funding required is confirmed from other sources for their project, their project being to establish a building and wharf structure on property they own at McGray Avenue in North East Point.

Motion carried unanimously.

There then followed some discussion regarding the provision of a \$250,000.00 grant to Bay Side Home Corporation.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality designate \$250,000.00 of the Special Reserve Fund Capital for a grant to Bay Side Home Corporation.

Discussion followed regarding the initial purpose of providing such a grant.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by C. O'Donnell that consideration of this motion be deferred until further information can be circulated to members concerning the original motion that was made and the meaning of "expansion or construction" that was contained in the original motion.

There then followed some discussion regarding the funds that have been restricted in the Special Reserve Fund Capital for the completion of the C.S.I. Sewer.

It was the consensus of members that this matter would be put on a Committee of the Whole Council meeting for further consideration at a later date once the final costs of the C.S.I. Sewer Project have been paid.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 5:30 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website June 15, 2011.