COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

August 15, 2011

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 6:45 p.m., in the Jury Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

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

CLOSED SESSION

A Closed Session was held to discuss pending legal action as a result of membership in the South West Shore Development Authority, and a personnel matter.

OPEN SESSION

Council then entered into Open Session at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room.

REPORT ON CLOSED SESSION

The Chair reported that members had discussed a legal issue regarding the South West Shore Development Authority and a personnel matter in Closed Session.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following items were added to the agenda:

- Bay Side Home Board of Directors.
- West River Road.
- Closed Session Re: South West Shore Development Authority Legal Action.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Moved C. O'Donnell and seconded by G. El-Jakl that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

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APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by M. Atkinson that the minutes of the last previous meeting held August 2, 2011 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

LORI STEWART REQUEST TO USE RECREATION CENTRE

Lori Stewart appeared before the meeting for the purpose of requesting the use of the Barrington Municipal Recreation Centre. She wishes to host an exercise class for Zumba fitness at the Recreation Centre. She has made application to the Recreation Department and has been informed by the Recreation Director that Policy #7, paragraph 16, precludes the Municipality from: "offering programs directly from the Department that do not have the areas of expertise out in the community". As the Recreation Director believes this expertise exists in the community, the building could not be rented for this reason.

Resolution COW110808

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by M. Atkinson that it be recommended to Council that the request of Lori Stewart be approved and she be allowed to conduct her program at the Barrington Municipal Recreation Centre.

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by C. Stoddard that the motion be amended to add "as long as it is not in competition with an existing program currently offered in the community".

The division was then taken on the amendment.

AFFIRMATIVE

Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

NEGATIVE

Murray Atkinson George El-Jakl Louise Halliday Shaun Hatfield Cecil O'Donnell Cathy Stoddard

Amendment defeated.

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The motion was then requested on the main motion.

AFFIRMATIVE

Murray Atkinson Louise Halliday Shaun Hatfield Cecil O'Donnell

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl Donna LeBlanc-Messenger Cathy Stoddard

Motion carried.

Having completed her discussion of this matter, Ms. Stewart then retired from the meeting.

ROSS DRAINAGE

Prior to the meeting a draft proposed agreement was circulated to members for the provision of drainage on the Ross property adjacent to the Barrington Municipal Library.

Resolution COW110809

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by S. Hatfield that this agreement is acceptable to members and be forwarded to the Rosses for their approval, after which, if approved, it will be forwarded to Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

SIGN REQUEST

Correspondence has been received from the Shelburne County Tourism Coordinator requesting that an interpretive sign panel be placed at North East Point and at the South Side Beach pertaining to the Drowned Forest and the Cape Light. She indicated in her correspondence that a lot of people have heard of the Drowned Forest but do not know of its history, that it is only visible at low tide and where it is located.

Resolution COW110810

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that an interpretive sign panel be erected indicating the location of the Drowned Forest on Cape Sable Island.

Motion carried unanimously.

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KIDNEY DIALYSIS MACHINE AT ROSEWAY HOSPITAL

Correspondence received by the District of Shelburne was circulated to members. This is a letter from the District of Shelburne to the Minister of Health requesting the location of a kidney dialysis machine at Roseway Hospital.

Resolution COW110811

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by M. Atkinson that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality also send a letter to the Minister of Health in support of locating kidney dialysis facilities at Roseway Hospital in Shelburne County.

Motion carried unanimously.

BOARDWALK EXTENSION TENDER

The Municipality had previously advertised for tenders for the extension of the boardwalk at North East Point Beach and for the construction of an observation deck.

Only one (1) tender had been received in response to the advertisement. The Chair opened the tender. The tender is from Gardiner Allen Excavation Ltd. and is in the total amount of \$30,985.25, including H.S.T.

Resolution COW110812

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by C. O'Donnell that the tender be reviewed by the Clerk and Property Services Manager and a recommendation be brought forward to Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

BIOSOLIDS PANEL DISCUSSION AT UNSM FALL CONFERENCE

Correspondence has been received from the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities, by email, asking whether or not municipal units would like to have a biosolids panel discussion added to the UNSM Fall Conference.

Resolution COW110813

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by C. Stoddard that it be recommended to Council that a letter be sent to the UNSM indicating that Council wishes to have the panel discussion added to the 2011 Fall Conference agenda.

Motion carried unanimously.

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SCHEDULE OF FEES

The Schedule of Fees for the previous two weeks was circulated to members for their information and review.

BAY SIDE HOME BOARD

There was some question as to what action has been taken regarding the appointment of a member to the Bay Side Home Board of Directors.

Members were informed that correspondence has been sent to the Bay Side Home Board of Directors asking them to identify the talents required of individuals who may serve on this board. Once this information is received from Bay Side Home, it is anticipated that an advertisement will be placed by the Municipality to seek board members.

Members were also informed that Bay Side Home Board of Directors will next be meeting on August 24th.

WEST RIVER ROAD

Members were informed that the West River Road has been graded.

Resolution COW11014

Moved by C. O'Donnell and seconded by G. El-Jakl that it be recommended to Council that a request be sent to the Minister of Transportation & Infrastructure Renewal with a copy to our MLA requesting that the .6 kilometers of West River Road also be chip sealed while the Department of Transportation is chip sealing the Upper Clyde Road.

Motion carried unanimously.

SWSDA CLOSED SESSION RE: LEGAL MATTER

Closed Session

At 8:48 p.m. members then entered into a Closed Session in order to further discuss the legal matter related to the South West Shore Development Authority.

It was the consensus of members that the Municipal Solicitor be invited to discuss the legal aspects of this matter with Council at a Closed Session to be held at 6:00 p.m., August 22nd, prior to the regular Council meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 8:58 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website August 16, 2011.