

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

February 11, 2014

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Absent was members Shaun Hatfield and George El-Jakl both due to illness.

### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

The following item was added to the agenda:

- Arena Email.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by J. Crook that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

**Moved** by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that minutes of the meeting held January 20, 2104 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE RENEWAL 2014 ANNUAL TEMPORARY COUNT PROGRAM

Information was circulated to members from the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal. They are requesting the Municipality to inform them if they have any vehicle counts that they wish to have done within the Municipality.

At this time no interest was expressed in having any counts done in the Municipality of Barrington.

### TROY WAYBRET PROPERTIES UPDATE

Members were informed that negotiations continue between Mr. Waybret and the Federal Government regarding the sale of his property at Cripple Creek. Members were also informed that another building on a different property which was previously unsecured has been checked by the By-Law Enforcement Officer. The building is now secured, therefore the file on that building has been closed.

### GRASS MOWING

Information was provided to members concerning the mowing of grass throughout the Municipality during the summer time.

#### Resolution COW140201

**Moved** by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality tender for the mowing of grass throughout the Municipality in the coming summer.

Motion carried unanimously.

### VOLUNTEER WEEK

Information was circulated to members indicating that Volunteer Week will be held April 6 – 13, 2014. Applications to recognize volunteers have been circulated to all charitable and non profit organizations throughout the Municipality. To date only one nomination has been received.

### REAL PROPERTY

A list of various real properties owned by the Municipality was circulated to members for their information. This list included the revenues and expenditures received on each of the properties.

It was the consensus of members that the Manager of the local Learning Centre be requested to attend a meeting of Council in order to make an annual report for that organization. The report should include the number of clients served within the Municipality of Barrington.

### TOURISM COORDINATOR

Members discussed the funding relative to the position of Shelburne County Tourism Coordinator. It has become apparent that funding is not forthcoming from the Town of Shelburne or the Town of Lockeport. The funding from the Town of Clark's Harbour was also conditional on all five municipal units funding this position.

#### Resolution COW140202

**Moved** by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that due to the lack of funding provided by municipal units within the County, and in order to fill its legal responsibilities, it is recommended to Council that the Municipality of Barrington provide notice to the Shelburne County Tourism Coordinator that this position will be terminated as of March 31, 2014 when the current funding agreement has been completed.

Motion carried unanimously.

### TRI-COUNTY REGIONAL SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EXPO

The Municipality has been invited to support the Tri-County Regional Science & Technology Expo on March 26, 2014 by providing prizes for distribution to the students, and also by having a representative of the Municipality attend the presentation ceremonies.

The Municipality will provide prizes as has been done in the past.

Resolution COW140203

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by J. Crook that expenses incurred by any councillor to attend this expo be reimbursed.

Motion carried unanimously.

eDELIVERY PROJECT

Information was circulated to councillors updating them on the eDelivery Project that is currently taking place through the Property Innovation Council. This is a project that will eventually eliminate the use of paper invoices, and encourage the edelivery of invoices and bills and the delivery of payments for them.

INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION

Correspondence was received from Mr. Cecil Swimm regarding the establishment of an Industrial Commission within the Municipality.

Members reviewed and discussed this request.

Resolution COW140204

**Moved** by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that it be recommended to Council that a response be forwarded to Mr. Swimm indicating that the Municipality is currently exploring other avenues to promote the Industrial Park and other economic initiatives within the Municipality and thanking him for his suggestions.

Motion carried unanimously.

DR. PREMACHANDRA – OFFICE MOVE

Dr. Premachandra has indicated that he may wish to move his office from the Community Health Centre to his house. He is requesting use of equipment such as examination bed and several office chairs for use at the proposed location in his house.

It was the consensus of members that it would be inappropriate for the Municipality to place publicly funded and owned property in a private residence in the Municipality, and therefore it be recommended that Dr. Premachandra be informed that Council is unable to do as requested.

SOU'WEST NOVA TRANSIT ASSOCIATION

Sou'West Nova Transit Association is requesting the Municipality to enact a Taxi By-Law or some other form of requirement in order for them to obtain a commercial vehicle licence for the vehicle they have recently purchased.

The Association has been contacted in regards to this matter and they are obtaining additional information before this matter will be further pursued.

#### PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Planning Advisory Committee is required to meet the third Thursday of each month according to our municipal policies. The Planning Advisory Committee has not been required to meet for some time now and therefore has canceled its meetings each month. It is now proposed that the Planning Advisory Committee meet only on an as-needed basis as the Climate Change Action Plan has been completed, and the review of the Municipal Planning Strategy and Land Use By-Laws have now been completed. The appropriate amendment to Municipal Policies will be drafted in order to put this change into effect.

#### WESLEY HERITAGE COMMUNITY SENIORS ASSOCIATION

Correspondence has been received from this Association requesting that the Municipality exempt it from property taxation under By-Law No. 25.

#### Resolution COW140205

**Moved** by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that By-Law No. 25 be amended appropriately in order to add the Wesley Heritage Community Seniors Association.

Motion carried unanimously.

The by-law will be amended to add this Association and add or delete any other properties which have changed ownership, and brought forward to Council for their consideration.

#### BARRINGTON PASSAGE POST OFFICE

Members have recently received complaints regarding the service at the Barrington Passage Post Office, in particular in relation to handicap parking, snow plowing and other safety related factors.

#### Resolution COW140206

**Moved** by D. Messenger and seconded by J. Crook that a representative of Canada Post be invited to discuss this matter and view the property together with the Committee of the Whole at a future date.

Motion carried unanimously.

#### ARENA EMAIL

An Arena email was received from the Arena Manager which was addressed to the Clerk-Treasurer and all of the councillors.

Members then discussed this email and the matters which it addressed.

It was the consensus of members that the only postings to be placed on the Barrington Arena Facebook page, in future, should be the schedules and events that are taking place at the Arena. It was also the consensus of members that the isolated incident of underage drinking in the Arena dressing rooms be dealt with by the Arena Manager by addressing this group at the Teams Cup Hockey event, and that this group be informed that any recurrence will be disciplined accordingly. This information is to be conveyed to the Manager by the Clerk-Treasurer.

ADJOURNMENT

Having completed their discussion of the business for the evening, the meeting was adjourned at 10:02 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting

**On website February 13, 2014.**