

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL
BUDGET MEETING
April 24, 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
- George El-Jakl
- Shaun Hatfield
- Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

- Brian Holland

The purpose of this meeting was to continue discussion of budget priorities for the coming year.

TOURISM/COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

A job description was circulated for the information of members to put in place an interim Tourism and Community Development Officer. The prime focus of this officer will be tourism, the Yarmouth ferry, and community development focusing on marketing and promotion of community events. The job description that was circulated was accepted by members with the exception that it be clearly noted in the job description that this is a term position for a period of six months only. It was also agreed by consensus of members that the wage for this position would be \$15.00 per hour, for a 40 hour work week. Overtime is to be paid over and above 48 hours in any given week. Once a month the Development Officer is to report to the Committee of the Whole.

Resolution COW140416

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that it be recommended to Council that the Municipality hire a Tourism/Community Development Officer for a six month term position and paid \$15.00 per hour, for a 40 hour work week.

Motion carried unanimously.

GRANTS TO ORGANIZATIONS

A list of Grants to Organizations was circulated to all members for their review and consideration.

Members reviewed each grant application individually and considered the benefits to the Municipality of each individually.

It was the consensus of members that grants be provided to organizations in the amounts contained in the attached list.

Also, information was requested for the Barrington Regional Curling Club. The Curling Club information requested included the debenture cost incurred by the Municipality over the previous five years, and a five year summary of their financial statements received to date. Once this information is received, the request of the Curling Club for a grant will be further considered.

It was also determined that the grant to be provided to the Sou'West Transit Association be provided in the same amount and manner as the previous year.

Members then discussed the possibility of providing additional grant funds.

It was the consensus of members that an allowance of \$25,000.00 be provided for additional grant requests.

Discussion followed regarding the categorization and recording of the Yarmouth Hospital Foundation grant.

NEXT MEETING

It was the consensus of members that the next meeting to further develop the budget for the coming year would be held on Thursday, May 1, 2014, at 7:00 p.m., in the Conference Room.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned by mutual consent of members at 10:21 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting

On website April 25, 2014.