

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of Barrington Municipal Council held in the Council Chambers, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, N.S., on Monday, June 27, 2016. The meeting was called to order by the Warden at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

The Chief Administrative Officer reported that all councillors representing all districts of the Municipality were present:

- Warden Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson
- Deputy Warden Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
- Councillor Jody Crook
- Councillor George El-Jakl
- Councillor Shaun Hatfield

- Rob Frost, Chief Administrative Officer
- Lesa Rossetti, Deputy Clerk

DECLARATIONS OF CONFLICT OF INTEREST

Councillor George El-Jakl informed members that he would be declaring conflict of interest when dealing with the 2016 Municipal Bursary selection.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by G. El-Jakl that minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held May 24, 2016 and the Special Council Meeting held June 7, 2016 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

It was agreed that the following items be added to the agenda:

- Camping at Sherose Island during Marathon
- Municipal Election: – Date for Advance Poll
 - List of Electors

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There were no matters arising from the minutes.

AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR YEAR ENDING MARCH 31, 2016

Doug Drane of Redding, CA appeared before the meeting for the purpose of presenting the Draft Audited Financial Statements for the year ending March 31, 2016. Mr. Drane provided highlights of the Financial Statements and informed members that the Municipality's year ended with a non-consolidated general operating fund surplus of \$4,529.00.

Resolution C160609

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by G. El-Jakl that the Draft Audited Financial Statements be accepted as presented by the Municipal Auditor.

Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Drane informed members that he will have the final Financial Statements prepared and available for Council at their next meeting.

MUNICIPAL BUDGET PRESENTATION

The Chief Administrative Officer gave a power point presentation on the 2016/17 Municipal Budget.

His presentation provided a budget summary, budget pressures, municipal projects, etc

It was noted that the Municipal Budget was approved by Council at their meeting held June 7, 2016.

CORRESPONDENCE

UNSM Resolution Process

In advance to the meeting each member was provided with a copy of a letter received from the UNSM Executive Director requesting municipal units not to submit resolutions this year. The Executive Director advised that the UNSM Resolutions Policy was revised and approved by the membership at the 2014 AGM. Since the new policy was introduced they have heard from the membership at various regional and caucus meetings and from the Province, that UNSM needs to support resolutions focused on the most important municipal issues. The UNSM Board and staff are currently working on a new resolutions process to increase the effectiveness and creditability of the resolutions. In addition, the Board has agreed that the UNSM not accept resolutions from individual municipal units for this year leading into the Fall Conference.

It was agreed that this matter be referred to the Committee of the Whole Council for further discussion. In advance to the meeting additional information will be gathered regarding this matter.

REPORT OF WARDEN

The Warden gave a brief report on his activities since the last meeting of Council.

During the Warden's Report it was noted that Shell Canada will be making a presentation to our Council and Shelburne Council regarding the Shell riser incident that occurred a couple of months ago. The meeting will be held at the Black Loyalist Centre, in Birchtown, on July 12, 2016 at 5:30 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

The Warden adjourned the Regular Council Meeting to hold a Public Hearing scheduled for 8:00 p.m.

PUBLIC HEARING RE: SALE OF FORMER “OLD TENNIS COURT PROPERTY”

The CAO informed members that an advertisement was placed in the Coast Guard Newspaper advising of the Public Hearing being held this evening to receive comments and suggestions from the public prior to Council making a final commitment on conveying property to the Barrington Ground Search and Rescue Association. The Barrington Ground Search and Rescue Association has requested ownership of vacant land adjoining their property located in Barrington Passage. The property is known as the “*Old Tennis Court Property*”. The Association has requested ownership of this property to allow them to build an addition on the western side of their building located at Civic #3329, Hwy #3, Barrington Passage. This property would also provide them with additional parking space. The CAO informed members that no written or oral communication has been received regarding the conveyance of this property.

The Warden asked for comments from the public. No comments were received.

REGULAR SESSION RECONVENED

The Regular Council Meeting was then reconvened.

Sale of the “Old Tennis Court Property”

Resolution C160610

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by J. Crook that the “*Old Tennis Court Property*”, located in Barrington Passage, be conveyed to the Barrington Ground Search and Rescue Association as requested, as per municipal policy.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook
George El-Jakl
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger
Eddie Nickerson

NEGATIVE

Shaun Hatfield

Motion carried.

REPORT OF COUNCILLORS

Councillor Jody Crook

Councillor Crook provided a report on his activities since the last meeting of Council.

Councillor Crook then reported on recommendations from Committee.

Joint EMO Budget

Resolution C160611

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by S. Hatfield that \$3,500.00 be allocated to a reserve for future use by EMO.

Motion carried unanimously.

Request from Diane Symonds Re: Faith Christian Church (Old Centreville Church)

Resolution C160612

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that Council allow the Faith Christian Church to make changes to their Municipal Registered Heritage Property as requested, including the removal of the steeple and siding the front of the building. This request came through an application from the Church, as well as a meeting with members of the Church.

Motion carried unanimously.

Roseway Student Sponsorship Program

Resolution C160613

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by D. Messenger that a grant \$1,200.00 be provided to the Shelburne County Health Care Professional Recruitment and Retention Committee as a one-time grant for the 2016-2017 fiscal year.

Motion carried unanimously.

Tax Reduction Applications

Resolution C160614

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that Council approve the tax reduction application as submitted by Ralph and Mary Jane Schnare (Assessment reduction from \$84,900 to \$26,100).

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C160615

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by G. El-Jakl that Council approve the tax reduction application as submitted by Joseph and Shelly Blinkhorn (Assessment reduction from \$175,600 to \$45,200).

Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal VISA

Resolution C160616

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by J. Crook that:

WHEREAS the Municipality of the District of Barrington may borrow to cover the annual current expenditure of the Municipality that has been authorized by Council;

AND WHEREAS Council deems it expedient to authorize a \$20,000 corporate VISA facility for the purpose of paying current operating expenditures;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the Municipality of the District of Barrington approve a Corporate VISA Facility with the CIBC, limited to a maximum of \$20,000 for the purpose of the purchase of goods and services for municipal purposes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Garbage Boxes – Sebim Beach

Resolution C160617

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by G. El-Jakl that Council grant the garbage boxes located at the entrance to Sebim Beach to the Sebim Beach Owners Association.

Motion carried unanimously.

Review of Municipal Grant Applications

Resolution C160618

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that grants be approved to the following organizations:

SUMMARY – MUNICIPAL GRANTS 2016/2017			
ORGANIZATION	Amount Approved 2015/2016	Amount Requested 2016/2017	Amount Approved 2016/2017
Forbes Point Cemetery Association	500.00	500.00	500
Little Red School House	500.00	500.00	500
Evergreen Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Tri-County Pregnancy Care Centre	1,000.00	2,000.00	1000
RSCC 327 Unicorn	1,000.00	1,000.00	1000
Shag Harbour Incident Society	500.00	500.00	500
Sou' West Nova Transit Association (Operating Grant)	2,000.00	7,237.17	0
Sou' West Nova Transit Association (Subsidy Grant)		4,824.78	3000
Barrington Municipal Exhibition	3,500.00	10,000.00	7500
Southwest Nova Biosphere Association	--	500.00	0
Yarmouth Hospital Foundation – Spring Gala	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00 (Pd)
Woods Harbour Community Centre	--	737.64	500

Association			
Shelburne County Lobster Festival	500.00	1,000.00	500.00 (Pd)
Kids Fair Play FUNd	500.00	500.00	500.00 (Pd)
WCRL – Adopt-A-Book		400.00	400.00 (Pd)
Sou’West Nova Climate Data Research (CBDC)		1,500.00	1,500.00 (Pd) last payment
Barrington Hillside Cemetery Society	500.00	500.00	500
Villagedale Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Woods Harbour Fisherman’s Memorial	500.00	1,000.00	500
Mount Pleasant Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
The Doctor’s Cove Old Cemetery Association	500.00	500.00	500
Barrington Cemetery Association	--	500.00	500
Atlantic Cemetery Club	--	500.00	500
Stoney Island Community Club	500.00	1,000.00	500
South West Nova Transition House Association (Juniper House)	500.00	1,000.00	1000
Woods Harbour Days	500.00	1,000.00	750
Town of Clark’s Harbour – 50 th Anniversary Coast Guard 101	--	150.00	150.00 (Pd)
Society for Preservation of Greenhill Community Church	500.00	500.00	500
Camp Jordan Association	500.00	1,000.00	500
Atwood’s Brook Cemetery Association	--	500.00	500
Greenwood Cemetery	--	500.00	500
Wesley Heritage Community Seniors Association	500.00	500.00	500
Barrington Township Museum Association	--	500.00	0
Old Farm Cemetery	500.00	500.00	500
Chapel Hill Historical Society	500.00	500.00	500
The Queen of Hearts Dory Club	--	3,000.00	2000
Sou’West 4H Club	500.00	550.00	500
South Shore Tourism Team		810.00	810.00 (Pd)
Centreville/N.E. Point Community Hall	--	400.00	500
Red Cross – Fort McMurray, AB		1,500.00	1,500.00
Roseway Student Sponsorship Program			1200
Archelaus Smith Historical Society			500.00
TOTALS:		\$50,809.59	\$35,510.00

Application for Vending Permit and Special Events Permit

Resolution C160619

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by J. Crook that Council approve the Vending Permit and Special Events Permit for Benjamin’s Circus.

Motion carried unanimously.

The Benjamin’s Circus will hold two shows on July 20, 2016 on Sherose Island.

Letter of Congratulations to Darren Hudson

Resolution C160620

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Hatfield that a congratulatory letter be forwarded to Darren Hudson on his recent success and championship performance at the Men's Professional Division of the US Logrolling Open.

Motion carried unanimously.

Municipal Bursary Selection

Conflict of Interest

Councillor George El-Jakl declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and left the room. Councillor El-Jakl reported that he personally knows a number of the applicants.

Resolution C160621

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that Council award a \$1,000.00 bursary each to Jenna Adams and Tanisha Finlay.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor El-Jakl returned to the meeting.

C.S.I. School RFP

Resolution C160622

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by J. Crook that Council accept the C.S.I. School RFP as presented.

AFFIRMATIVE

Jody Crook
Shaun Hatfield
Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

NEGATIVE

George El-Jakl
Eddie Nickerson

Motion carried.

CAO Job Description

Resolution C160623

Moved by D. Messenger and seconded by S. Hatfield that Council accept the CAO job description as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

Fire Department Guarantee Resolution

Resolution C160624

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by D. Messenger that Council approve the following Guarantee Resolution relating to equipment for the Island & Barrington Passage Volunteer Fire Department.

Motion carried unanimously.

WHEREAS the Island and Barrington Passage Fire Department is registered with the Municipality of the District of Barrington;

AND WHEREAS the Island and Barrington Passage Fire Department has determined its interest to borrow the aggregate principal amount of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the purpose of purchasing new equipment;

AND WHEREAS the Island and Barrington Passage Fire Department has requested a municipality to guarantee the said borrowing;

AND WHEREAS Section 294(6) of the Municipal Government Act provides that a municipality may grant or lend money to, or guarantee a loan for, a registered fire department for operating or capital purposes;

AND WHEREAS Section 88(3) of the Municipal Government Act provides that no guarantee of a borrowing by a municipality shall have effect unless the Minister of Municipal Affairs has approved of the proposed borrowing or debenture and of the proposed guarantee;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT the Municipality of the District of Barrington does hereby approve the borrowing by the Island and Barrington Passage Fire Department of Two Hundred Thousand Dollars (\$200,000) for the purpose set out above;

THAT subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs of the guarantee, the Municipality unconditionally guarantee repayment of the principal and interest of the borrowing so made;

THAT upon the issue of the debentures, the Warden and Clerk of the Municipality do sign the guarantee attached to each of the debentures and affix thereto the corporate seal of the Municipality.

Sou'West Nova Biosphere Request for Board Appointment

Resolution C160625

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by G. El-Jakl that Council write a letter to Sou'West Nova Biosphere Association indicating that the Municipality is not interested in appointing a board member at this time.

Motion carried unanimously.

Lease Agreement – Dr. Baker

Resolution C160626

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that Council sign a one year renewal lease agreement with Parsons Investments for use by Dr. Baker.

Motion carried unanimously.

This lease agreement is for office space located in Parsons Mall in Barrington Passage.

Bay Side Home Board of Directors

Resolution C160627

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that Council appoint Jamie Symonds to the Bay Side Home Board of Directors.

Motion carried unanimously.

Porta-potty at Stoney Island Beach

Resolution C160628

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by D. Messenger that Council place a porta-potty at Stoney Island Beach.

Motion carried unanimously.

Deputy Warden Donna LeBlanc-Messenger

Deputy Warden Messenger gave a brief report on her activities since the last meeting of Council.

Councillor George El-Jakl

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Councillor Shaun Hatfield

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NEW BUSINESS

Geotube Project – Woods Harbour Sewage Treatment Plant

A quote has been received from Scotia Tech for the completion of the Geotube Project at the Woods Harbour Sewage Treatment Plant. This is the only company in the Maritimes that provides this service. Scotia Tech has provided a quote of \$64,000.00, plus HST, for the Geotube Project. The CAO reminded members that application has been made to the CCAP Program for 50% funding of this project.

Resolution C160629

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by D. Messenger that the quote received from Scotia Tech for the completion of the Geotube Project at the Woods Harbour Sewage Treatment Plant be accepted, in the amount of \$64,000.00, plus HST.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

Camping at Sherose Island during Marathon

The CAO informed members that runners have requested tenting for the evening before the marathon. Through Tourism Nova Scotia we can obtain a permit for campsites for special events. The cost of the permit is \$180.00. Security will be required which will cost approximately \$400.00.

Resolution C160630

Moved by J. Crook and seconded by S. Hatfield that the Municipality make application for campsites for the marathon, and campsites be set up in front of the Recreation Centre on Sherose Island at a cost of approximately \$1,000.00.

Motion carried unanimously.

2016 Municipal Elections

Resolution C160631

Moved by G. El-Jakl and seconded by J. Crook that the first Advance Poll for the 2016 Municipal Election be held on Saturday, October 8, 2016 as recommended by the Returning Officer.

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolution C160632

Moved by S. Hatfield and seconded by G. El-Jakl that the date for the List of Electors to be prepared be set at September 5, 2016 as recommended by the Returning Officer.

Motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Warden

Chief Administrative Officer

Secretary for the Meeting

On website June 30, 2016.