

## COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING

September 18, 2017

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

- Murray Atkinson (Chair)
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson – arrived at 7:20pm
  
- Rob Frost, CAO

Absent as away on vacation – Councillor Shaun Hatfield

### ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no additions to the agenda.

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the agenda be approved.

Motion carried unanimously.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded be it resolved that the minutes of September 11, 2017 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

### WOODLAND MULTI-USE TRAIL ASSOCIATION AND SHELBURNE COUNTY ATV ASSOCIATION

A delegation representing the WMTA and the SCAA were present to discuss the trails with Committee. Sherm Embree presented on behalf of the six representatives in attendance. Thanks was given to the Municipality for our assistance to date in regards to supporting the development of the trails. There is currently 40.3 kms of trails developed in the Municipality. The two associations have been working diligently to have the trails completed and maintained. With so many trails it puts a strain on resources of volunteer time and dollars available.

The two associations have asked Committee to consider assisting with the maintenance of trails in some way. This may be in the form of financial contribution, equipment that could be used by the two groups, materials for the repair of the trails, or other forms of assistance. Their current greatest needs are the removal of alders in the Woods Harbour area trails, and the need to resurface the Barrington Bay section of trail.

Committee will discuss further at a meeting in the near future and get back to the associations.

RESOLUTION RE: RIGHT-OF-WAY

Resolution COW170906

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council that:

**WHEREAS** the Municipality of the District of Barrington owns land in Barrington Passage being PID 80052145 and PID 82553249 as shown on the attached survey plan;

**AND WHEREAS** Richard G. Newell and Monica J. Newell own land known as PID 80052343 and such land is also shown on the attached plan and adjacent to the lands of the Municipality of the District of Barrington;

**AND WHEREAS** a paved roadway leads to and from the Highway #3 over the lands of the Municipality of the District of Barrington to the land of the Newells;

**AND WHEREAS** the paved roadway is for public use and is maintained by the Municipality of the District of Barrington;

**AND WHEREAS** the Newell's have requested a right of way over the paved roadway which would be non-exclusive to the Newells and would be used in common with the grantor and the public;

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the Municipality of the District of Barrington shall grant a non-exclusive right of way over the paved roadway to the Newells and the CAO shall have authority to execute such grant in the usual form.

Motion carried unanimously.

STAFF REPORTS

Staff reports were received by committee.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO POLICY 54 "FIRE RESPONSE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES POLICY"

Discussion took place regarding the proposed amendments to Policy 54, "Fire Response and Emergency Services Policy". It was reported that the proposed changes had all been brought to each department for their approval. Committee asked about FF plates, and the signing authority for approval of plates. This and other minor amendments will be discussed with the Fire Services Coordinator and brought back to CotW once brought to the departments.

EXPENSE/HOSPITALITY POLICY

Discussion took place regarding the upcoming need to have policies developed for Council Expenses, and Hospitality. Committee has asked that the CAO draft policies to be brought back to Committee.

PLAN FOR CAO REVIEW PROCESS

As it is time for the annual CAO review the process of doing so was discussed. The format will be the same as last year. The CAO will prepare his portion, send to Council, and a time will be set for discussion.

PROPOSED FEDERAL TAX CHANGES

Committee discussed the proposed tax changes that are currently being discussed by the Federal Government as they have heard from residents as to the negative affect this may have on their livelihood. Barrington Municipality is comprised of many small businesses that may be negatively impacted by the proposed changes.

Resolution COW170907

Being duly moved and seconded be it recommended to Council to write a letter to the Federation of Canadian Municipalities, and our Member of Parliament Bernadette Jordan to express our concern with the proposed changes to Federal Income Tax as it relates to small businesses. Motion carried unanimously. (4-0)

AQUANOR PRESENTATION

This presentation will be placed on a future Committee agenda.

BRANDING

Discussion took place regarding the branding initiative and the proposed slogan suggestions. Consensus was that we go back to the contractor with Barrington: An Ocean of Opportunity.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

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Chair

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Secretary for the Meeting