

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE COUNCIL MEETING
February 8, 2021

The meeting was called to order by the Chair at 7:00 pm, in the Multi-Purpose Room, in the Administrative Centre, in Barrington, NS, with the following members present:

- Lindsay (Eddie) Nickerson, Chair
- Jody Crook
- George El-Jakl
- Shaun Hatfield
- Andrea Mood-Nickerson

- Chris Frotten, CAO
- Lesa Rossetti, Municipal Clerk

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

It was agreed that the following item be added to the Agenda:

- Canada Post Community Mail Boxes – Newellton.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Being duly moved and seconded that the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Being duly moved and seconded that minutes of the Committee of the Whole Council Meeting held January 18, 2021 be approved as circulated.

Motion carried unanimously.

BRCC ICE MAKING PLANT

Six members of the Curling Club were present for this portion of the meeting.

Correspondence has been received from the Barrington Regional Curling Club advising that the Evaporative Condenser is in need of replacement. The piece of equipment performs the function of converting the refrigerant from a heated vapor to a cooled liquid by the evaporation of water sprayed on the cooling fins of the unit. This unit is required for the continued operation of the club. The replacement cost of this unit is estimated to be \$30,000.00, but would have to be tendered as per our Procurement Policy.

With the assistance of the Director of Recreation, the Club has applied for provincial funding in the amount of \$10,000.00 to assist with the cost of a new condenser. It is the recommendation of staff to refer the request to budget deliberations or request the Club to apply for a municipal grant.

Resolution COW210201

Being duly moved and seconded that the request from the Barrington Regional Curling Club for funding to assist with the cost of replacing the evaporative condenser be referred to the budget process for consideration.

Motion carried unanimously.

During discussion of this matter members were made aware that the thick rubber insulation that covers the chiller will need to be replaced at some point in the future.

Curling Club members were thanked for being present and providing additional information.

It was agreed that the CAO provide information to members, by email, regarding the Club's financials and current lease.

WMTA REQUESTS

The Committee at their meeting held January 11, 2021, agreed that the requests of the Woodland Multi-Use Trails Association be further discussed by the committee tonight. In advance to the meeting, the CAO provided financial information to members.

Much discussion took place regarding their requests.

Resolution COW210202

Being duly moved and seconded that requests of the Woodland Multi Use Trails Association be referred to the budget process and discussed with other municipal units in Shelburne County and yearly grant possibilities be researched.

Motion carried unanimously.

The CAO will inform the Association that their requests will be further discussed during budget deliberations.

CAMP SITE LEASE POLICY AMENDMENT REQUEST

Concern was expressed that our current policy for Camp Site Leases requires camp lease holders to be residents of the municipality which excludes ratepayers.

It is proposed that Section 1 of Policy No. 75 "Camp Site Lease Policy" be amended to include "ratepayers".

Notice is given tonight and proposed amendments to the "Camp Site Lease Policy" will be considered by Council on February 22, 2021.

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APPLICATION TO SERVE ON THE RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

It was reported that an application to serve on the Recreation Advisory Committee has been received from Nicole Nickerson of Barrington.

Resolution COW210203

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that Nicole Nickerson be appointed to serve on the Recreation Advisory Committee as the representative for District 2.

Motion carried unanimously.

CROSSWALK REQUESTS – BARRINGTON LEISURE PARK ASSOCIATION AND SALTY SHORES CAFÉ

Councillor Mood-Nickerson advised that the Barrington Leisure Park Association and Salty Shores Café have both requested that crosswalks be installed in the vicinity of their establishments in Barrington Passage. After further discussion with the Park Association they have withdrawn their request.

Salty Shores Café is requesting a Crosswalk be installed across Station Road between the Café and TBS.

Resolution COW210204

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the request from Salty Shores Café for the installation of a crosswalk across Station Road between the Café and TBS, in Barrington Passage, be referred to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal for assessment.

Motion carried unanimously.

BEACHES RESOURCE TEAM TERMS OF REFERENCE

In advance of the meeting, members were provided a Terms of Reference for the Beaches Resource Team.

Resolution COW210205

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that the Terms of Reference for the Beaches Resource Team be approved as presented.

Motion carried unanimously.

BARRINGTON PASSAGE POST OFFICE PARKING

As a result of concerns expressed by residents, parking along Highway No. 3, in front of the Barrington Passage Post Office, was discussed.

The CAO provided background information to members in advance to the meeting.

Resolution COW210206

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that a letter be forwarded to the Department of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal requesting that they block out the area and post “No Parking” signs in front of the Barrington Passage Post Office to eliminate the dangerous situation created as a result of people exiting and entering vehicles parked there and copies of this letter be forwarded to the Minister of Transportation and Infrastructure Renewal as well as MLA Colton LeBlanc.

Motion carried unanimously.

CANADA POST COMMUNITY MAIL BOXES – NEWELLTON

Resolution COW210207

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

WHEREAS community mail boxes located adjacent to the Newellton Cemetery are difficult to safely access due to the location and limited shoulder of road in that area;

AND WHEREAS community mail boxes located at the Newellton Community Hall are less than 1 mile away;

AND WHEREAS most residents in the area have requested that their mail box be moved to the Newellton Community Hall location;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that Canada Post be requested to relocate the community mail boxes located adjacent to the Newellton Cemetery to the Newellton Community Hall.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW LIBERAL LEADER

Resolution COW210208

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that a letter of congratulations be sent to the new Leader of the Liberal Party and Premier of Nova Scotia, Iain Rankin.

Motion carried unanimously.

The regular Council Meeting was adjourned to go In-Camera at 8:49 p.m.

IN-CAMERA SESSION

An In-Camera Session was held at this time in accordance with Section 2(2)(g) of the Municipal Government Act to discuss appointments to Bay Side Home Board of Directors and the derelict vessel owned by Dwayne Stewart.

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Conflict of Interest

Councillor Hatfield declared conflict of interest on the topic of appointments to Bay Side Home Board of Directors, vacated his seat and left the meeting room. Councillor Hatfield has a family member in management at Bay Side Home.

Councillor Hatfield was called back to the In-camera Session for discussion on the derelict vessel owned by Dwayne Stewart.

REPORT ON IN-CAMERA SESSION

The regular Council Meeting was called back to order at 9:05 p.m.

Bay Side Home Board Appointments

Conflict of interest

Councillor Hatfield declared conflict of interest, vacated his seat and left the meeting room. Councillor Hatfield has a family member in management at Bay Side Home.

Resolution COW210209

Being duly moved and seconded that it be recommended to Council that Bay Side Home Corporation be required to advertise board vacancies, receive and review applications and recommend board appointments to Council.

Motion carried unanimously.

Councillor Hatfield returned to the meeting.

Demolition Order – Dwayne Stewart

It was agreed that the Municipality proceed to take steps to consider the issuance of a Demolition Order to address the derelict vessel owned by Dwayne Stewart.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 9:08 p.m.

Chair

Secretary for the Meeting