

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH

**Council Chambers
Municipal Building**

**Thursday
September 17, 2013**

A Meeting of Municipal Council for the Municipality of the County of Antigonish was held on Tuesday, September 17, 2013 at 7:40 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Administration Centre, 285 Beech Hill Road, Antigonish, NS.

Present were: **Warden Russell Boucher, Chairman**

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| Deputy Warden Owen McCarron | |
| Councillor Donnie MacDonald | Councillor Vaughan Chisholm |
| Councillor Bill MacFarlane | Councillor Pierre Boucher |
| Councillor Mary MacLellan | Councillor Angus Bowie |
| Councillor Hughie Stewart | Councillor Rémi Deveau |

Also present were: Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Joyce Levangie, Recording Secretary
Adam Rogers, Municipal Solicitor
Alan J. Bond, Former Municipal Clerk/Treasurer
Jerome Grant, Active Community Transit
Alida Campbell, Active Community Transit
Members of the Active Community Transit Group
Corey LeBlanc, The Casket
Bill MacCuish, 98.9 XFM
Greg Morrow, 101.5 The Hawk
Gallery

The meeting was called to order by the Chair, *Warden Russell Boucher*.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Warden Boucher called for any additions or deletions to the agenda. There were no changes made to the agenda.

Min #2013-096 (Approval of Agenda)

MOVED by Councillor Rémi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the agenda be approved as presented. Motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Warden called for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of June 18, 2013 meeting of Municipal Council three times. Hearing none, he called for approval of the Minutes as presented.

Min #2013-097 (Approval of Minutes – June 18, 2013)

*MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that the minutes of the June 18, 2013 Meeting of Municipal Council be approved as circulated.
Motion carried.*

The Warden called for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of July 3, 2013 meeting of Municipal Council three times. Hearing none, he called for approval of the Minutes as presented.

Min #2013-098 (Approval of Minutes – July 3, 2013)

MOVED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the minutes of the July 3, 2013 Meeting of Municipal Council be approved as circulated. Motion carried.

The Warden called for any errors or omissions to the Minutes of July 30, 2013 meeting of Municipal Council three times. Hearing none, he called for approval of the Minutes as presented.

Min #2013-099 (Approval of Minutes – July 30, 2013)

*MOVED by Councillor Mary MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the minutes of the July 30, 2013 Meeting of Municipal Council be approved as circulated.
Motion carried.*

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

PRESENTATION – Active Community Transit

Jerome Grant introduced the members from the Active Community Transit group and passed the floor over to Alida Campbell to make a presentation.

Ms. Campbell then proceeded to show a power point presentation. (Copy attached to the minutes)

Alida explained the colors of their logo, which represents the Town and County.

Council Members were given an opportunity to ask questions.

Warden Boucher, on behalf of Council, thanked the members that were present representing the Active Community Transit group and wished them the best of luck.

ROAD NAME CHANGE

A request has been received from residents from D-3 Rd in the Bayfield Area to have the road named to Jana Lee Lane.

Min #2013-100 (Road Name Change D-3 Road)

MOVED by Councillor Rémi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that the request to name D-3 Rd in the Bayfield area be tabled and sent to the Department of Transportation and the Eastern District Planning Commission for comment. Motion carried.

ANTIGONISH/GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPALITIES WATER UTILITIES AGREEMENT

Min #2013-101 (Water Utilities Agreement)

Moved by Councillor Bill MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Hughie Stewart that the Municipality of the County of Antigonish enter into the Antigonish/Guysborough Municipalities Water Utilities Agreement as per the attached. Motion carried.

OPERATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT – September 10, 2013

Min #2013-102 (Capital Investment Plan)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the 5-Year Capital Investment Plan be approved as presented. Motion carried.

Min #2013-103 (Repairs to Courthouse)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that the request from the Department of Justice to make modifications (improvements to the offender holding areas and affixing public seating in the balcony areas) to the Antigonish Supreme Court facility be approved. Motion carried.

Min #2013-104 (West River Sidewalks Extension)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the County tender the sidewalk extension project on Highway #7 to the West River Road. Motion carried.

Min #2013-105 (New Years Levee)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the County contribute \$1,000.00 towards the New Year's Levee held at the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 59 in conjunction with the Town of Antigonish. Motion carried.

Min #2013-106 (Streetlight – Keating Court)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the request for the installation of a streetlight at the communal mailboxes at Keating Court be approved. Motion carried.

Min #2013-107 (Nova X-Men Hockey Sponsor)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron that the request from the Nova X-Men Hockey Team for the County to sponsor an Advertisement be approved by way of a ½ page ad in the amount of \$300.00. Motion carried.

Min #2013-108 (Streetlight – Pomquet Point Road)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Rémi Deveau that the request for the installation of a streetlight at a very dart corner at Pomquet Point be approved. Motion carried.

Min #2013-109 (Cape Breton West Islander Major Midget Hockey)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Bill MacFarlane that the County approve \$300.00 towards an advertisement in the Cape Breton Islander Major Midget Hockey Team yearbook. Motion carried.

Min #2013-110 (DEANS)

Moved by Councillor Hughie Stewart, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that the request from DEANS for the County to support the proposed Levy be denied. Motion carried.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT – September 17, 2013

Min #2013-111 (X-Men Media Guide - Ad)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Rémi Deveau that the County approve a sponsorship in the X-Men Hockey media guide in the amount of \$200.00. Motion carried.

Min #2013-112 (Capital Investment Plan addition)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm that the Water System Assessment Report for the water utilities be included in the Capital Investment Plan (CIP). Motion carried.

Min #2013-113 (Theatre Antigonish Program Sponsorship)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Mary MacLellan that the County approve a sponsorship towards the Theatre Antigonish Fall and House Program in the amount of \$125.00. Motion carried.

Min #2013-114 (Hospital Foundation Advertisement)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Donnie MacDonald that the County purchase an advertisement in the Casket in support of the Hospital Foundation in the amount of \$125.00. Motion carried.

Min #2013-115 (R.K. MacDonald Nursing Home Loan Guarantee)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Hughie Stewart that the County approve a loan guarantee for the R.K. MacDonald Nursing Home Corporation in the amount of \$622,000.00, which guarantees repayment of one half of the principle and interest, for the purpose of the replacement of the roof above Martha's Inn and the replacement of three humidifiers. This loan guarantee is to be subject to ministerial approval. Motion carried.

REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Councillor Mary MacLellan reported that:

- She had a Library Report, they have been very busy over the summer, many tourists, approximately 530 visits per day

Councillor Vaughan Chisholm reported:

- He attended an RCMP Advisory Meeting
- He attended a Heritage Museum Board meeting, most of the renovations are complete, now looking at replacing the furnace.

Deputy Warden Owen McCarron reported:

- He attended the Strait Regional UNSM Meeting @ the Library, it was very well attended.

Councillor Angus Bowie reported that:

- The Tenders closed for the Heatherton School last week.

Warden Russell Boucher attended the following:

- June 20 – Attended the Quarterly meeting for the Chamber of Commerce
- June 21 – Grad Dinner, at the East
- NOBL
- June 26 - Graduation at the East
- July 1 – Canada Day Events
- July 13 – Highland Games Parade
- CACL Barbeque
- July 16 – Coady Arrival
- August 10 – Red Cross Barbeque

- August 16 – Coady Arrivals
- August 20 – Opening of the RCMP Headquarters in Dartmouth
- August 26 – Port Hawkesbury Paper Barbeque
- August 28 – Exhibition Opening
- August 29 – Women’s Grad at Coady
- September 2 – St. F.X.
- September 7 – Under 12 Soccer Provincials
- September 11 – Al MacIsaac Cup Day
- September 14 – 4-Valley Fire Department

On motion by Councillor Angus Bowie, the meeting adjourned to Committee of the Whole.

The meeting was called back to order and the following recommendations were brought forward.

Min #2013-116 (Agriculture Committee)

Moved by Deputy Warden Owen McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor Vaughan Chisholm that an Agriculture Committee be formed, comprised of three members of Municipal Council and three members of the Antigonish/Guysborough Federation of Agriculture. Motion carried.

Min #2013-117 (Land purchase)

Moved by Councillor Remi Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Angus Bowie that the Municipality offer to purchase PID #09217207 at the appraised value of \$24,500.00. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 pm.

Warden Russell Boucher

Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer