



## **MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF ANTIGONISH**

Municipal Council Meeting - Minutes

Tuesday, March 15, 2016

7:30pm

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**Present:** Warden Russell Boucher  
Deputy Warden Owen McCarron

**Councillors:** Bill MacFarlane Rémi Deveau  
Mary MacLellan Vaughan Chisholm  
Donnie MacDonald Hughie Stewart  
Angus Bowie Pierre Boucher

**Also present:** Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer  
Shirlyn Donovan, Interim Deputy Clerk  
Corey LeBlanc, Antigonish Casket  
Matthew Draper, Port Hawkesbury Reporter  
Bill MacCuish, 98.9 XFM  
Ryan Chaunacny, 101.5 The Hawk  
Adam Rodgers, Solicitor- Boudrot Rodgers Law Firm  
Chandra Gavin  
Gallery

The meeting was called to order at 7:39pm by the Chair, Warden Russell Boucher.

### **APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Warden Boucher called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

**Min #2016-024 (Approval of Agenda)**

*MOVED by Councillor Deputy Warden McCarron, SECONDED by Councillor MacLellan, that the agenda be approved. Motion carried.*

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Warden Boucher called for the approval of the Municipal Council Minutes of February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

**Min #2016-025 (Approval of February 16<sup>th</sup> Council Minutes)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacDonald and SECONDED by Councillor Deveau, that the Municipal Council Minutes of February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016 be approved. Motion carried.*

### **BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

## **PRESENTATION**

Chandra Gavin and Residents of District 1 & 2 came to address concerns with Council about the lack of cell phone coverage throughout their districts.

The following residents shared correspondence:

Chandra Gavin – Owner of Giant Bluefin Tuna Charters

June Nobel – Owner of June’s B&B By The Sea

Jason Nicholson - 4 Valleys Fire Department

Sally MacKay - Senior

Kristyn MacEachern – North Shore Fire Department

Fred Alexander – Owner One Stop Entertainment

Daniel Ross – Owner Ross Screenprint

Steve Smith – CEO Central Group

Ryan Smith – NSCC Student

Carrie Coliquit – Massage Therapist

Ramsay Duff – CEO MacLeod Group

Dr. Ian Slater & Wife - Physicians

David Cooper & Dr. Elizabeth Cooper

Velma MacEachern, Cape George Heritage Trails

Peter MacDonald, Manager of Custodial Services, StFX University

Tim & Clare Handforth – Manager, Bird Construction

Jeff DeLeeback & Wife – Supervisory Personnel, StFX University

Dr. Kent MacDonald – President & Vice Chancellor, StFX University

Allie MacDonald – Hockey Business Man

Duncan MacDonald – Caregiver

Elwood Cleary – International Business

Paul van de Wiel - North Bay Fisherman’s Co-op

Gina MacInnis & Husband – Environmental Consultant & Carpenter

Judy MacLean - Nurse

Warden Boucher thanked Chandra and all residents in attendance for presenting to Municipal Council.

**Committee of the Whole – March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-034 (Active Transportation)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Deputy Warden McCarron that the Municipality adopt the Active Transportation Plan as the guiding document/vision for Active Transportation in Antigonish County. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-035 (Active Transportation Role)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that the Municipality define its role as it relates to Active Transportation. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-036 (Active Transportation Committee)**

*MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that the Municipality establish an Active Transportation Committee made up of municipal personnel and community partners to review the active transportation plan and identify and prioritize actions and strategies. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-037 (Bulky Waste Pick up)**

*MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that Municipal Council approve the proposed dates for the Bulky Waste Collection as May 23-27 and May 30-June 3 and for this to go to tender. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-038 (Solar PV Install)**

*MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that the Municipality award the installation of solar panels on the Municipal Administration Building to Applesseed Energy Inc. with a cost of \$67,788. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-039 (Antigonish Affordable Housing Society)**

*MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that Municipal Council give assurances to the Antigonish Affordable Housing Society, that the Municipality will not exercise their discretion to discharge the development agreement as outlined in clause 5.7 so long as the first phase of the development is completed within the required three years and the second phase is completed within an extra three years commencing at the end of the first three years Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-040 (List of Electors)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council use the list of electors from the most recent provincial or federal election for preparation of the preliminary list of electors. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-041 (RCMP Letter)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Stewart that the Municipality send a letter to RCMP Officials outlining concerns. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-042 (Annual Chamber Dinner)**

*MOVED by Councillor Chisholm, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that the Municipality sponsor the Annual Chamber of Commerce Dinner for a cost of \$250. Motion carried.*

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **Committee of the Whole – February 16<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-026 (Grand Kilted Skating Party)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm that Municipal Council donate \$400 and take part in the Grant Kilted Skating Party. Motion Carried.*

**Min #2016-027 (Seniors Curling Bonspiel)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that Municipal Council enter a team in the annual Seniors Curling Bonspiel at a cost of \$125. Motion Carried.*

### **Committee of the Whole e-Poll – February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-028 (2008 Top Kick Truck Sale)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor MacDonald that Municipal Council approve the sale of the 2008 Top Kick Truck and hook lift system for \$27,000. Motion Carried.*

### **Committee of the Whole e-Poll – February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-029 (Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition Arena Usage)**

*MOVED by Councillor Stewart, SECONDED by Deputy Warden McCarron that Municipal Council permit the Eastern Nova Scotia Exhibition to use the Antigonish Arena from August 24- September 4, 2016. Motion carried.*

### **Committee of the Whole e-Poll – March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-030 (Launch of RFP for Sale of Former Correctional Facility)**

*MOVED by Councillor Deveau, SECONDED by Councillor Chisholm that Municipal Council launch and RFP for the Sale of Structure and Property – Former Antigonish Correctional Facility, closing on Friday, March 18 at 4:00pm. Motion carried.*

### **Committee of the Whole – March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2016**

**Min #2016-031 (MOU Renewable Energy)**

*MOVED by Councillor Boucher, SECONDED by Councillor Bowie that Municipal Council agree to sign a Memorandum of Understanding for a Renewable Energy Project. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-032 (Capital Investment Procedure)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor MacFarlane that Municipal Council adopt the Capital Investment Procedure. Motion carried.*

**Min #2016-033 (Legal Expenses)**

*MOVED by Councillor MacLellan, SECONDED by Councillor Deveau that Municipal Council cover the cost of legal expenses incurred. Motion carried.*

## UPDATES/REPORTS FROM INDIVIDUAL COUNCIL MEMBERS

Deputy Warden McCarron reported that he attended:

- AUS Curling Championship Opening Ceremonies at Highlander Curling Club
- Arena Commission Meeting
- Agriculture Community Meeting

Councillor MacDonald reported that he attended:

- Joint Town and County Council Meeting
- Meeting with DEANS

Councillor MacLellan reported that she attended:

- Joint Town and County Council Meeting
- Meeting with DEANS
- Library Meetings
- LBANS Meetings

Councillor Deveau reported that he attended:

- Tour of Correctional Facility
- Seniors Curling Bonspiel
- Crime Prevention Board Meeting

Councillor Boucher reported that he attended:

- Forestry Advisory Committee Meeting
- ERSWM Meeting

Councillor Chisholm reported that he attended:

- Joint Town and County Council Meeting
- RK Board Meeting

Warden Boucher reported that he attended:

- Arena Commission
- Joint Town and County Council
- Town and County Federation Meeting

## MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS

### **EDPC Appointments**

The Eastern District Planning Commission is requesting Council to appoint staff to various Municipal positions. The appointments are as follows:

**Administrator – Dangerous and Unsightly Premises: Sean Donovan**

Alternate: John Bain

**Building Inspectors: Harry Martell and Sean Donovan**

Alternates: Leon LeBlanc, Cyril LeBlanc, and David MacKenzie

**Development Officer: Wanda Ryan**

Alternates: John Bain, Nathan MacLeod, and Andrew Jones

**Fire Inspector: Leon LeBlanc**

Alternates: Sean Donovan, Harry Martell, and Cyril LeBlanc

*MOVED by Councillor MacFarlane, SECONDED by Councillor Boucher that Municipal Council approve the requested appointments of commission staff to various municipal positions. Motion carried.*

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

**Min #2016-043 (Motion to Adjourn)**  
*MOVED by Boucher, SECONDED by Deputy Warden McCarron that the Council meeting adjourns at 8:50pm. Motion carried.*

  
**Warden Russell Boucher**

  
**Glenn Horne, Municipal Clerk/Treasurer**