

Municipality of the District of Digby
Municipal Committee of the Whole Minutes
April 10, 2017
Seabrook, Nova Scotia

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Call to Order The meeting was called to order with Warden MacAlpine in the chair at 5:00 PM.

Attendance
Councillors present:

- Jimmy MacAlpine, Warden
- Linda Gregory, Deputy Warden
- George Manzer, Councillor
- Matthew Ross, Councillor
- David Tudor, Councillor

Staff present:

- Linda Fraser, Chief Administrative Officer
- Jeff Sunderland, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
- Pat Stevens, Executive Assistant

Regrets:

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Prayer Warden MacAlpine asked everyone to pause to seek guidance for the meeting.

Agenda **MOVED and seconded the adoption of the agenda with the addition of Cornwallis Military Museum under New Business.**

MOTION CARRIED

Presentation/Delegation

Dangerous & Unsightly

Minutes
March 13, 2017 **MOVED and seconded that the minutes of March 13, 2017 be approved as circulated.**

MOTION CARRIED

**Business Arising/Old
Business**

Use of Airport – WWR – Deputy CAO Sunderland advised that he had consulted the

Deputy CAO Sunderland insurance company regarding Wharf Rat Rally using the runway at the airport during their Festival in September. He was advised that even if the runway was leased to the Wharf Rat Rally the Municipal insurance would not cover any mishaps that may occur.

MOVED and seconded that staff reply to the Wharf Rat Rally airport usage request to notify of the insurance issues and advise that at this time the airport cannot be used during the Wharf Rat Rally Festival.

MOTION CARRIED

Other Business Arising

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| Warden MacAlpine | • No Business Arising |
| Councillor Manzer | • No Business Arising |
| Councillor Ross | • No Business Arising |
| Councillor Tudor | • No Business Arising |
| Deputy Warden Gregory | • No Business Arising |

New Business

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| Tri-County Early Years Partnership – Councillor Tudor | Councillor Tudor that he had attended the Tri-County Early Years Partnership three hour long meeting. He advised that it was an interesting meeting. Some points that he brought to Council from this meeting: <ul style="list-style-type: none">○ There is a big percentage of poverty in the Tri-County○ Poverty hinders the IQ of children ages 2 to 6○ Poverty impacts school performance |
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| Letter of Support – Rural Internet Application | MOVED and seconded to provide a letter to WREN in support of their application for funding to build and operate a rural broadband Internet infrastructure. |
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MOTION CARRIED

Cornwallis Military
Museum

Councillor Manzer will attend the Battle of the Atlantic ceremony at the Cornwallis Military Museum at 11:00 AM on May 7th.

MOVED and seconded to give a \$25 donation towards museum renovations and upgrades at the Cornwallis Military Museum.

MOTION CARRIED

Correspondence

- There was a discussion on the correspondence that was received this month.

**Chief Administrative
Report**

- The CAO report dated April 10, 2017 was included in the meeting package.

Meetings

- The Warden reviewed the meeting schedule.

The volunteer dinner on April 25th at the Digby Fire Hall is at 5:30 PM. All Council will be serving at this function.

The COTW on May 8th is at 5:00 PM.

There is a TIR meeting at 5:00 PM on May 15th with By-Law & Policy to follow.

**Request for
Decisions/Direction**

Department Reports

Building Inspection
Report

- The Building Inspection reports were unavailable for the meeting package.

Deputy Chief
Administrative Officer
Report

- The Deputy Chief Administrative Officer report was included in the meeting package.

Deputy CAO Sunderland advised that Barry Faulkner is using a product to test the Bear River force-main and Smiths Cove lift station.

- Airport/Dispatch • The Airport/Dispatch reports were included in the meeting package.
- Dog Control Activity and Financial Report • The Dog Control Activity and Financial reports were included in the meeting package.
- Coordinator Program Development & Heritage • The Coordinator Program Development & Heritage report was included in the meeting package.
- Fire Inspection Report • The Fire Inspection report was unavailable for the meeting package.
- Manager of Corporate Services Report • The Manager of Corporate Services report was included in the meeting package.
- Renewable Energy & Climate Change Coordinator • The Renewable Energy & Climate Change Coordinator report was unavailable for the meeting package.

Other Business

- Updates from Previous Action Items** • The updates from previous action items were included in the meeting package.

Warden MacAlpine advised that he is hopeful that the RCMP complement study will be presented at the May 29th Joint Council meeting with the Town of Digby.

CAO Fraser advised that the expropriation of the land in Westport was completed on April 5th, 2017.

The CAO advised that Jason Deveau, MP's office, is still trying to track the owner of the boat in Sandy Cove. The boat cannot be removed until the owner is found.

- Capital Projects Updates** • The capital projects updates were included in the meeting package.

Notice of Motion

- Comments from the Gallery** Sara Ericsson, Tri-County Vanguard, asked when the Wharf Rat Rally had made the request to use the airport and what

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insurance issues were involved. She was advised that the request came in on March 9th and that the Municipal insurance does not cover events, other than airport operation events, happening at the airport that may involve liability issues. Other avenues were checked into to try to accommodate Wharf Rat Rally so they would have a place to conduct the function that would have used the runway.

In Camera

MOVED and seconded at 5:23 PM that Council have a five minute recess before going In Camera for a Contractual Issue.

MOTION CARRIED

Contractual Issue

Regular session resumed.

Adjournment

MOVED and seconded that the meeting adjourn at 6:00 PM.

MOTION CARRIED

WARDEN

CLERK