

Call to Order

The Council meeting was called to order with Warden Gregory in the chair at 6:00 p.m.

Attendance

Councillors present:

- Linda Gregory, Warden
- Jimmy MacAlpine, Deputy Warden
- Maritza Adams, Councillor
- David Tudor, Councillor
- George Manzer, 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 Gregory welcomed everyone to the meeting and asked everyone to pause to seek guidance for the meeting. Warden Gregory thanked everyone for coming and read the Municipality's mission statement.

Adoption of Agenda

MOVED and Seconded the adoption of the agenda for September 22, 2014 with the addition of Terry Thibodeau – Letter to Robert Hanf, President and CEO Nova Scotia Power under Presentation/Delegation.

Motion Carried

Presentation/Delegation

#1 Gloria Banks, Grant Thornton – Audit Presentation

MOVED and Seconded that Gloria Banks, Grant Thornton come before Council to present.

Motion Carried

Ms. Banks gave an overview of the Independent Auditors report.

MOVED and seconded that the Consolidated Financial Statements of the Municipality of the District of Digby for March 31, 2014 be accepted as presented.

Motion Carried

#2 Erin Comeau, Executive Director Western Counties Regional Library – Library Services

MOVED and Seconded that Erin Comeau, Executive Director of the Western Counties Regional Library, come before Council to present.

Motion Carried

Ms. Comeau gave an overview on the library services and programs offered by the Western Counties Regional Library. She advised that the Western Counties Regional Library is funded 71% by the Province, 26% by Municipal units and the other 3% they fundraise. These funds are used to purchase new books, maintain computers, support local programs, book deliveries, staff wages and rent necessary library space. There are over 3800 active library members in the Municipality of Digby with over 51,000 books lent over a one

year period. Some offered services are to give one on one help to people regarding tablet or computer usage and to assist low income citizens in Income Tax preparation. They are working with the RCMP to get books to children with over 11,000 books given out over the last 7 years.

**#3 Terry Thibodeau –
Letter to Robert Hanf,
President and CEO
Nova Scotia Power**

**MOVED and Seconded that Terry Thibodeau come
before Council to present.**

Motion carried

Mr. Thibodeau requested direction regarding the Nova Scotia Tidal Energy Community Alliance. He feels that once the agreement is signed it will commit the Municipality to one developer and may compromise the Municipal position with the other developers. He advises that the Municipality show support for all four developers of Tidal Industry in the Bay of Fundy.

Mr. Thibodeau will draft a letter of support to Minas Energy as well as a letter to Nova Scotia Power to highlight the groundwork and activities done to date and advise them that the Municipality will be seeking them to partner with on upcoming projects.

Approval of Minutes

Council – July 28, 2014

**MOVED and Seconded that the minutes from Council of
July 28, 2014 be approved as circulated.**

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes/Old Business

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#2

#3

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| Councillor Manzer | • No Old Business. |
| Councillor Adams | • No Old Business. |
| Councillor Tudor | • No Old Business. |
| Deputy Warden
MacAlpine | • No Old Business. |
| Warden Gregory | • No Old Business. |

New Business

#1 HMCS Acadia – Funding Request for 2015 **MOVED and Seconded that the funding request from HMCS Acadia be moved to the budget process for 2015.**

Motion Carried

#2 Potter Properties **MOVED and Seconded that the Municipality write off taxes, cost and interest incurred on property # 09270507 in the amount of \$487.55 and on property # 09270523 in the amount of \$465.04 due to the erosion of each property.**

Motion Carried

Both properties will be brought to a zero value by Property Valuation Services Corporation in January 2015.

#3 CUPW – Request for Support to Save Canada Post Discussion ensued on the request for support from CUPW.
MOVED and Seconded that a letter of support be sent to the Minister of Transport, copied to the CUPW, MP Greg Kerr and the president of the FCM and the CUPW request for support be forwarded to the FCM Board of Directors.

Motion Carried

CAO Report: The CAO report for September 22, 2014 was included in the meeting package and will be attached to the minutes.

Meeting Dates/Reminders Warden Gregory went over the meeting dates.

Meeting Action Items Update Warden Gregory went over the action items.

Request for Decisions of Direction

#1 – Boars Head, Bear River and Point Prim Lighthouses and Property and The Department of Fisheries and Oceans grant of \$75,000 **Moved and Seconded that the Municipality of Digby accept the offer from the federal department of Public Works and Government Services to transfer the ownership of the Boars Head Lighthouse and Property, the Bear River Lighthouse and Property and the Point Prim Lighthouse and Property to the municipality and to accept a grant of \$75,000 to accompany the divestiture of the lighthouses.**

Motion Carried

#2 – Request for Decision – Agreement between Scotia Recycling and Town of Digby, Municipality of Digby and Municipality of Clare Discussion ensued regarding the agreement between Scotia Recycling, the Town of Digby, the Municipality of Digby and the Municipality of Clare that is to be signed. The CAO will check into the contamination rates that go into Kentville now. If there is a problem with contamination the Municipal units have to know instantly to be able to deal with the problem. A monthly reporting clause is to be added to the agreement.

Moved and Seconded to sign the agreement between Scotia Recycling, the Town of Digby, the Municipality of Digby and the Municipality of Clare pending the addition of monthly reporting being added to the agreement.

Motion Carried

Payables

MOVED and Seconded that the list of July 2014 payables in the amount of \$977,604.76 and August payables in the amount of \$509,779.26 be approved.

Motion Carried

Financial Report

The financial report for August 2014 was unavailable.

Correspondence

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

Council Committees

**Committee of the Whole
Recommendations**

#1 Non-Disclosure Agreement

MOVED and Seconded to approve the recommendation giving permission for the Warden and CAO of the Municipality of the District of Digby to sign the MUTUAL CONFIDENTIALITY AND NON-DISCLOSURE AGREEMENT between FUNDY TIDAL INC. (FTI), THE MUNICIPALITY OF DIGBY, THE TOWN OF DIGBY, THE MUNICIPALITY OF CLARE and MIKE GUSHUE & ASSOCIATES.

Motion Carried

#2 Tender for new Plow Truck

MOVED and Seconded that the tender for the purchase of a ¾ ton truck for the public works department be awarded to the lowest bidder, Belliveau Motors, in the amount of \$28,154.50.

Motion Carried

By-law & Policy Recommendations

#1 Re: Comfit Application

MOVED and Seconded to approve the recommendation that the Municipality of the District of Digby, may consider entering into a formal contract with Endurance Wind Power for the supply and installation of up to five (5) small scale (50 kWh or less) wind turbines based on the success of the Community Feed-in Tariff application and *if* the community shows a willingness during consultations, and *if* council feels it is appropriate at the time.

Motion Carried

Advisory Committees

Digby Source Water Protection Advisory Committee	No meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for next week.
Heritage Advisory Committee	No meeting since Council last met. The committee is still looking for a citizen rep. There is a meeting scheduled for October 8 th .
Planning Advisory Committee	No meeting since Council last met. The CAO is trying to set up a meeting with Chris Millier for October.
Joint RCMP Advisory Board	The RCMP Digby Detachment report and June minutes were circulated. It was suggested that an advertisement be put in the coastline advising that school buses now have cameras installed.
REMO Advisory Committee	There was a REMO meeting on September 16 th . The committee reviewed the wharf rat rally event. Don LeBlanc reported that everything went well. Cp. Boulger advised that from the RCMP perspective all went well. The aftermath of storm Arthur had been discussed and Don LeBlanc will write a report.
Western Region Housing Authority	No meeting since Council last met.

Regional / Joint Committees

Age Friendly Community Planning Committee	No meeting since Council last met. The working group will be meeting September 23 rd to go over the draft.
Airport Working Group	No meeting since Council last met. The airport was used during the Wharf Rat Rally. There were no issues during this event. The runway paving and patching will be done soon.
Bay of Fundy Marine Transportation Association	The BFMTA met with MLA Gordon Wilson. Letters were sent to Transportation. The new ship is scheduled to arrive some time in 2015.
Digby and Area Affordable and Supportive Housing Group	Councillor Tudor has not been receiving emails from DAASH. There was a meeting on September 10 th .
Digby Annapolis Development Corp	August minutes were circulated. At the last DADC meeting the proposal of the property on Atlantic Avenue was accepted.
Digby Area Learning Association	May minutes were circulated. There is meeting scheduled for September 24 th .
Digby Area Recreation Committee	July minutes and September reports were circulated. The resignation of Hugh Sproule was also circulated. The application for the new citizen rep is to be advertised in Passages as well as the Digby Courier and Clare Shopper.

Digby Area Tourism Association	No meeting since Council last met.
Digby Development Agency	August 5 th minutes were circulated. The upcoming conference in Halifax was discussed at the last meeting. The DDA is trying to get people interested in setting up businesses in Digby.
Digby Harbour Port Association	June, July and September minutes and July, August and September reports were circulated. Projects are to be finished by March 31, 2015. Port Days was successful. Mr. Chisholm, project manager, has just had his six month probation period end.
Digby Library Committee	No meeting since Council last met. This committee only meets once a year.
Digby Municipal Fire Association	Meetings are scheduled for the first Wednesday in the month. Councillor Manzer showed up at the last scheduled meeting but the meeting had been canceled. The meeting was the following week but Councillor Manzer was unavailable.
Highway 101 Task Force	No meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for September 23 rd .
Kings Transit Authority	June minutes & July reports were circulated. There was no meeting in August. There have been a few issues with the bus that have been fixed.
Senior Safety Committee	No meeting since Council last met.
Shared Services Committee	February and July minutes were circulated. There was a meeting today with reps from Dept of Justice and the Municipality of Clare attending. The Municipality of Clare has policing issues as well. The Dept of Justice took note of the committee's questions and will provide answers at a later date.
Transport de Clare	No meeting since Council last met.
Tideview Terrace	An application for appointment as Citizen Rep was circulated. Deputy Warden MacAlpine will be stepping down from this committee with the appointment of the new Citizen Rep. MOVED and Seconded that Alnoor B. Kassam be appointed as the Municipal Citizen Representative on the Tideview Terrace board.
	Motion Carried
Upper Clements Park	There was a meeting on September 18 th . The committee was updated on the summer season. Warden Gregory has been hearing good things about the new manager.
Waste Check	There was a meeting on September 8 th where Deputy Warden MacAlpine was re-appointed as vice-chair. The Bayview Animal Hospital was selected as business of the month. The committee had a discussion on the solid waste by-law.

Western Counties
Regional Library

The committee toured various libraries. Deputy Warden MacAlpine brought back the idea of putting automated defibrillators, from LBANS, to the library board meeting. They are looking at the libraries in Lockport, Clark's Harbour and Westport for this.

Western Regional
Enterprise Network

No meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for September 29th. The committee will meet once or twice a year.

Weymouth Doctor
Recruiting Committee

There was a meeting last week. Clare will be inviting part of the committee to their Christmas get together to meet the med students. The committee will be doing a care bag around February 2015 to give to the med students and will send them out through Clare.

**Council Activity
Reports/Other
Committees**

Councillor Manzer

Councillor Manzer gave an oral presentation to Council outlining the various meetings he has attended during the past month.

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Deputy Warden
MacAlpine

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Warden Gregory

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Comments from the
Gallery

In Camera

Adjournment

MOVED and Seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:22 PM.

Motion Carried

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CLERK