

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
- David Tudor, Councillor
- George Manzer, Councillor
- Maritza Adams, 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 and asked that we 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 that the agenda for May 24, 2016 be approved as circulated.**

Motion Carried

Presentation/Delegation

Approval of Minutes

Council – April 25, 2016 **MOVED and Seconded that the minutes from Council of April 25, 2016 be approved as circulated.**

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes/Old Business

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 Julie & Tim Long – letter of support **MOVED and Seconded to write a letter of support for Julie and Tim Long in favor of applying for funding from the Nova Scotia Housing Authority, to renovate a house to provide accommodations for low income individuals.**

Motion Carried

Councillor Tudor will provide DAASH with information on the proposed project by Julie and Tim Long.

#2 Digby and Area Health Services Charitable Foundation – donation **MOVED and Seconded to sponsor a hole at the 2nd Annual Richard Ellis Memorial Golf Tournament at the maximum of \$200.**

Motion Carried

#3 World Future Cities Summit Council discussed the invitation from the World Future Cities Summit to have Warden Gregory attend the meeting, in Toronto, on June 9-10. The invitation covers the registration cost but not other expenses. It was the consensus of Council that there was no value to the Municipality in attending this event.

#4 Tax Rate Resolution 2016-2017 **MOVED and Seconded that the Tax Rate Resolution 2016-2017 be approved.**

Motion Carried

#5 Approval of 2016/17 Operating Budget **MOVED and Seconded that the Statement of Estimates for 2016-2017, in the amount of \$8,038,031, be approved.**

Motion Carried

It was noted that the budget is available on the Municipal website.

#6 Digby and Area Lions Club Council discussed the request from the Digby and Area Lions Club regarding relocating the Farmer's Market at the Mall. Some possible places for relocation are: the Heritage Centre (they would have to check with the Town), the old gas station in Barton or maybe church halls – Acaciaville or United.

CAO Report: The CAO report for May 24, 2016 was circulated.

Meeting Dates/Reminders The Warden went over the meeting dates/reminders.

Meeting Action Items Update The Warden reviewed the action items and asked if there were any questions from Council.

Deputy Warden MacAlpine requested that the subject of a placement of a kiosk on Halifax waterfront be added to the agenda of the UNSM regional meeting scheduled for June to see if other Municipalities may be interested. He would like to work on this for next year.

Capital Projects Update The CAO indicated that the draft 2016 capital budget will be discussed at the June 20th By-law & Policy meeting.

Request for Decisions of Direction

#1 2016 Summer meeting schedule The Warden went over the proposed 2016 summer meeting schedule.

MOVED and Seconded to approve the recommended 2016 summer meeting schedule.

Motion Carried

Payables **MOVED and Seconded that the list of payables for April 2016 in the amount of \$903,613.94 be approved.**

Motion Carried

Financial Report The financial report for April 2016 was unavailable.

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

Council Committees

By-law & Policy Recommendations

#1 PACE administrator **MOVED and Seconded to accept the Clean Foundation as the PACE administrator to undertake a one year pilot program at \$1,900, costs to be shared between the Municipality of the District of Digby, Municipality of Lunenburg, Municipality of Shelburne and the Town of Bridgewater.**

Motion Carried

#2 Jordantown Acaciaville Conway Betterment Association **MOVED and Seconded to set aside funds over the next three fiscal years to a maximum of \$120,000 for the Jordantown Acaciaville Conway Betterment Association building project pending Federal and Provincial government funding at the current request levels.**

Motion Carried

MOVED and Seconded that any funding to the Jordantown Acaciaville Conway Betterment Association would be used for capital costs only.

Motion Carried

#4 CanAm Physician Recruitment contract **MOVED and Seconded to not enter into a new agreement with Can Am Physician Recruiting due to the fact that the NS Health Authority has moved the physician vacancy from Weymouth to Digby.**

Motion Carried

#5 Post Election council workshop **MOVED and Seconded to engage the services of Gordon McIntosh for a Post Election Council workshop.**

Motion Carried

#6 support for Fort McMurray evacuees **MOVED and Seconded that \$500 be sent to the UNSM initiative for support for the Fort McMurray evacuees.**

Motion Carried

Committee of the Whole Recommendations

Advisory Committees

Digby Source Water Protection Advisory Committee Councillor Adams advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for June.

Heritage Advisory Committee Councillor Adams advised that August 2015 minutes were circulated. There is a meeting scheduled for this week.

Planning Advisory Committee Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for May 30th at 6:30 pm.

Joint RCMP Advisory Board Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for June.

REMO Advisory Committee Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

Western Region Housing Authority CAO Fraser advised that there was no report available.

Regional / Joint Committees

Age Friendly Community Councillor Adams advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

Atlantic Mayors Congress Warden Gregory advised that there were April & October 2015 circulated. While attending a meeting last week in Liverpool the Warden visited the Ovens, a distillery and a cranberry farm.

Canada Legacy Society Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. Information was put on the WEB for viewing. There is no meeting scheduled.

Digby and Area Councillor Tudor advised April minutes were circulated. He

Affordable and Supportive Housing Group	was unable to attend the last meeting.
Digby Annapolis Development Corp	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that November 2015 minutes were circulated. There has been no meeting since Council last met. The Committee has agreed to shelve the DADC corporation. By shelving the corporation, there is a cost savings and can be “unshelved” if necessary to work on joint projects.
Digby Area Learning Association	Councillor Manzer advised that March minutes were circulated. DALA is looking for new programs to aid in increasing finances.
Digby Area Recreation Committee	Warden Gregory advised that April minutes and May reports were circulated. DARC is working on the leak in the pool –a cracked pipe was found under the walkway. They are also working on the leak in the wading pool. Summer staff is being hired. There are two more government funding positions this year. There are no final results on the finances of the Seniors Curling Tournament yet.
Digby Area Tourism Association	Councillor Manzer advised that 2015 AGM and April 2016 minutes were circulated. Saltscapes was very successful. Greg Turner is now the Chair of DATA.
Digby Development Agency	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that April minutes and the Design Point final report were circulated. There was a meeting on May 3 rd .
Digby Harbour Port Association	Warden Gregory advised that April minutes and April 2015 AGM minutes were circulated. Reg Hazelton has stepped down as Chair with Vance Hazelton in as new Chair. The vice Chair will be selected at the next meeting. DHPA is now looking at a new project with an expansion.
Digby Library Committee	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. He reminded Council that the Adopt-a-Book program ends in June.
Digby Municipal Fire Association	Councillor Tudor advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Highway 101 Task Force	Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Kings Transit Authority	Warden Gregory advised that February minutes, the General Manager’s March/April report, ridership report and the April newsletter were circulated. There is a meeting scheduled for May 25 th . Staff will check on having bus run on July 1 st to Weymouth. Wi-Fi was installed in the May in the new bus. The spare bus is in for painting and will be laid up for 6 weeks.
Open Spaces	Councillor Manzer advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

Senior Safety Committee	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There is a meeting scheduled for May 25 th at 2 pm.
Shared Services Committee	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Transport de Clare	Councillor Manzer advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There was 20 th anniversary celebration for Transport de Clare combined with a retirement party for Claredon Robicheau on May 14th.
Tideview Terrace	Councillor Manzer advised that March minutes were circulated. There are no changes to report.
Upper Clements Park	Councillor Adams advised that March and April minutes were circulated. There was a meeting May 19 th . A new liner has been installed on the Flume ride. An emergency plan has been set in motion. The campground will be opening soon. The picnic park may possibly to be turned into a concert venue. There will be no admission fee into the park this year. A bracelet will still be required for rides. The Shriners will be installing a fountain, just inside the entry to the park, with a boy and girl holding hands on top of the fountain.
Waste Check	Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Western Counties Regional Library	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that there is a meeting scheduled for June.
Western Regional Enterprise Network Liaison and Oversight Committee	Deputy Warden MacAlpine advised that the CEO April report and 2016-2017 Business Plan were circulated. The Nova Scotia Business Inc presented to the L&O Committee at the last meeting. Deputy Warden MacAlpine was unable to attend.
Weymouth Doctor Recruiting Committee	Warden Gregory advised that there was a press release that went out today regarding the Weymouth Doctor situation. Intentions are to have a meeting in June to decide the fate of the Weymouth Doctor Recruiting Committee.

Council District Reports

Councillor Manzer	Councillor Manzer gave an update to Council on various district functions he attended such as going to the Weymouth Library to participate in the Adopt-a-Book program, to the Bear River First Nation to attend the gathering in honor of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada as well as the 20 th anniversary celebration for Transport de Clare which was combined with a retirement party for Claredon Robicheau.
Councillor Adams	Councillor Adams gave an update to Council on various district functions she attended such as the Fish and Game annual potluck meeting, the Relay for Life dessert social for

Team Brent as well as a 60th Anniversary party for Arlene and Ervin Marshall.

Councillor Tudor

Councillor Tudor gave an update to Council on various district functions he attended such as the FCDA meeting, he assisted with the kids in the area that collected items for the food bank, and he assisted as chaperone at a dance that was a fundraiser for the food bank. Councillor Tudor commended Claudia Crocker who put on a potluck dinner, with live entertainment, and raised \$1,100 for the Fort Mac evacuees.

Deputy Warden
MacAlpine

Deputy Warden MacAlpine gave an update to Council on various functions he attended such as a Smart Energy Event, a Canadian Waste Resource Symposium, the Bear River welcoming event for a new Syrian family, the UNSM Spring Workshop, Ken Langille's funeral in Yarmouth, the gathering in Bear River in honor of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada, Claredon Robicheau's retirement party, the Epilepsy 5 kg run/walk event and Police Week BBQ.

Warden Gregory

Warden Gregory gave an update to Council on various functions she attended such as Canadian Waste Resource Symposium, the Hiking summit, the Fish and Game annual potluck meeting, she taught the RCMP first aid updates, the UNSM Spring Workshop, the gathering in Bear River in honor of the Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women in Canada and the Atlantic Mayors Congress meeting. Warden Gregory, the CAO and the Town of Digby met with the Health Foundation.

Comments from the
Gallery

In Camera

MOVED and Seconded at 7:22 PM to go In Camera.

Motion Carried

- 1) Municipal properties
- 2) Personnel Issue
- 3) Personnel Issue
- 4) Contractual Issue

Regular session resumed.

MOVED and Seconded to write off the taxes and interest on AAN 04876016 in the amount of \$495.03, AAN 09267115 in the amount of \$586.94, AAN 02157527 in the amount of \$615.82 and AAN 09271198 in the amount of \$422.77 as per staff recommendation.

Motion Carried

MOVED and Seconded that Mason VanTassell be appointed as Municipal representative on the Digby Town & Municipal Housing Corp (Tideview) Committee for a one year term.

Motion Carried

MOVED and Seconded that Adam Hankinson be appointed as the Municipal representative on the Digby Water Source Protection Advisory Committee.

Motion Carried

MOVED and Seconded that the purchase of the 50 kw wind turbine, for the COMFIT program, from Ghrepower for \$556,000 and according to the terms outlined in their response to the RFP, be approved.

Motion Carried

Adjournment

MOVED and Seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:05 PM.

Motion Carried

WARDEN

CLERK