

**Call to Order** The Council meeting was called to order with Warden MacAlpine in the chair at 6:02 PM.

**Attendance**  
Councillors present:

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

Staff present:

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

Regrets:

**Adoption of Agenda** **MOVED and Seconded that the agenda for May 23, 2017 be approved as amended with the addition of New Business 8.5 Maud Lewis Site and Grave and 8.6 Contract for Smiths Cove Sewer extension and an additional Personnel Issue for In Camera.**

**Motion Carried**

**Prayer** Warden MacAlpine welcomed everyone and asked that we pause to seek guidance for the meeting. Warden MacAlpine thanked everyone for coming and read the Municipality's mission statement.

**Presentation/Delegation**

Charlotte Sabean – Baby Friendly Initiative **MOVED and Seconded that Charlotte Sabean come before Council to present.**

**Motion Carried**

Charlotte Sabean gave an overview on the Baby Friendly Initiative checklist that was circulated to Council and which will be circulated to the local businesses in June. She advised that their goal is to have the baby friendly initiative supported by the community. She is hoping that all participating businesses will adopt the initiative. She is asking the Municipality to have a link on the website indicating the participating businesses. Josie McCleave will be doing a follow-up to the check list.

**Approval of Minutes**

**Council – April 24, 2017** **MOVED and Seconded that the minutes from Council of April 24, 2017 be approved as circulated.**

**Motion Carried**

**Business Arising from Minutes/Old Business**

**Deputy Warden** Deputy Warden Gregory asked if the Board of Trade Award

**Gregory** Dinner tickets had been purchased. All Council will be attending.

**Derelict boat in Sandy Cove** The CAO advised that a letter went out last fall with a follow-up letter in May to whom they think may be the owner of the derelict boat in Sandy Cove. The boat cannot be removed until the owner has been found.

**New Business**

**CHF Partnership for Co-op Housing** Discussion ensued regarding the CHF Partnership for Co-op Housing. Staff is to send a letter advising that there is no land available for suitable housing projects.

**Atlantic Sports Car Club – use of airport** Council discussed the inherent risks of liability of non airport related events. The Atlantic Sports Car Club carries a \$5 mil rider for liability for the event.

**MOVED and Seconded that the Atlantic Sports Car Club be granted use of the airport for their event on June 30<sup>th</sup>, July 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Motion Carried  
1 Opposed**

**Digby Neck Fire Department – fire hydrants request** Council discussed the provision of grants that were given to each Municipal fire department several years ago in the amount of \$3000 which covered the cost of two dry hydrants. Digby Neck Fire Department opted out at that time.

**MOVED and Seconded to give \$3000 to the Digby Neck Fire Department to help with the installation of two dry hydrants which they will be responsible for maintaining.**

**Motion Carried**

**Recommendation – Janitorial Contract** **MOVED and Seconded to approve the recommendation to award the Janitorial services to Nickerson Spotless Enterprises for \$17,940.00 a year for 5 years.**

**Motion Carried**

**Maud Lewis site & grave** Deputy Warden Gregory was concerned on the lack of signage to Maud Lewis's gravesite in North Range and thought there should be something at site in Marshalltown for people to sign such as a guest book. CAO Fraser advised that Rob Hersey is working on installing an app at the site that when scanned will show where the gravesite is. DCAO Sunderland will check on putting the information on the website.

**Contract for Smiths Cove Sewer extension on Smiths Cove Rd and Sunset Drive** Tenders closed on May 18<sup>th</sup> for the contract for the Smiths Cove Sewer extension on Smiths Cove Rd and Sunset Drive. DJ Lowe came in with the lowest bid of \$510,957.50 plus HST and was \$118,000 over the recommended budget. The contractor will have an eight week schedule to complete the project.

**MOVED and Seconded to award the contract for the Smiths Cove Sewer extension on Smiths Cove Rd and Sunset Drive to DJ Lowe with the lowest tender of \$510,957.50 plus HST.**

**Motion Carried**

**CAO Report:** The CAO report for May 23, 2017 was circulated.

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

**Request for Decisions of Direction**

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

**Update on Capital Projects**

**Update on Corporate NOW Priorities**

**Payables** **MOVED and Seconded that the list of payables for April 2017 in the amount of \$917,668.87 be approved.**

**Motion Carried**

**Income & Expense Report** The Income & Expense report for April 2017 was unavailable.

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

**Council Committees**

**By-law & Policy Recommendations**

**Committee of the Whole Recommendations**

**Advisory Committees**

Digby Source Water Protection Advisory Committee Councillor Ross advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

Heritage Advisory Committee Councillor Ross advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

Planning Advisory Deputy Warden Gregory advised that there has been no

Committee	meeting since Council last met.
Joint RCMP Advisory Board	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that there will be a meeting on June 14 <sup>th</sup> . She will send minutes from the Provincial Police advisory for the next Council meeting.
REMO Advisory Committee	Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Western Region Housing Authority	CAO Fraser advised that the Minister approval letter for Andrena Teed's appointment to the board has been circulated.

### **Regional / Joint Committees**

Age Friendly Community	Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Atlantic Mayors Congress	Warden MacAlpine advised that he attended a meeting last week. He described the meeting as a cross between the FCM and the UNSM. The Premier of PEI spoke to them at lunch regarding the population issue. The guest speaker spoke on best immigration practices, solid waste gasification, sports tourism, the 3% softwood lumber tariff in the US and how it affects Canada and the Carbon Tax over Cap and Trade. The next meeting is in the fall in Moncton.
Digby and Area Affordable and Supportive Housing Group	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Digby Area Board of Trade	Councillor Tudor advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Digby Annapolis Development Committee	Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Digby Area Learning Association	Councillor Manzer advised that March minutes and April reports were circulated. He advised that they are trying to find other avenues of revenue.
Digby Area Recreation Committee	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that February minutes were circulated. Councillor Ross advised that DARC has a new insurance policy. There is new entertainment coming to the arena an Elvis impersonator and wrestling.
Digby Area Tourism Association	Councillor Manzer advised that a week ago DATA had their AGM.
Digby Community/NS Health Authority Stakeholder Group	Warden MacAlpine advised that the meeting that was scheduled has been postponed due to the election. There is a meeting scheduled for June.
Digby Development	Warden MacAlpine advised that there was no quorum at the

Agency	last meeting. The CAO had given reports from Dan Harvey and Terry Thibodeau.
Digby Harbour Port Association	Councillor Tudor advised that there was a meeting last week regarding the wharf. Things are going well. They received \$150,000 for a dredging project.
Digby Library Committee	Warden MacAlpine advised that the Digby Library is going to put a baby changing station in the unisex bathroom, blinds in the community room, upgrade the furniture, paint the walls, install a seating area in children's area. A new air conditioner is to be installed at the cost of around \$7000. Planters and bike racks are to be installed. Modifications are to make the library look more welcoming.
Digby Municipal Fire Association	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that she unable to attend the last meeting.
Highway 101 Task Force	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Kings Transit Authority	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that March minutes, April newsletter and reports were circulated. There is a meeting scheduled for May 24. The Deputy Warden will check to see if the municipal logos have been placed back on bus since it was painted and if when the spare bus is not in use is it in Weymouth or at Kings Transit. The possibility of using the spare bus to allow patrons in Digby to go to Annapolis fireworks will be checked into.
Open Spaces	Councillor Tudor advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There will be one scheduled for June. The Deputy CAO advised that the trail coordinator interviews will be on Thursday. The applicants were shortlisted and two will be interviewed.
Senior Safety Committee	Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. Dawn Thomas did an interview for CBC radio in Shelburne last week.
Shared Services Committee	Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Southwest Biosphere Society	Deputy Warden Gregory advised that correspondence from Minister Churchill was circulated. The Southwest Biosphere Society met on May 5 <sup>th</sup> in Shelburne. They have applied for funding through the Canada works grant. They were turned down for the Canada 150 fund. The Deputy Warden will give a presentation on June 26 <sup>th</sup> when she gets back from giving a presentation on the Southwest Biosphere in Montreal. The Southwest Biosphere Society would like to talk with Terry Thibodeau regarding climate change.
Transport de Clare	Councillor Manzer advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.
Tideview Terrace	Councillor Manzer advised that March minutes were circulated. There have been air quality issues in one of the

homes since November 2016. There is a meeting scheduled for May 24<sup>th</sup>.

Upper Clements Park Councillor Ross advised that March minutes were circulated. The staff is getting new training on the POS Software. The park opens on the weekends.

Waste Check Deputy Warden Gregory advised that April meeting notes and April Waste Check Connections were circulated. There has been no meeting since Council last met. The next meeting is scheduled for July.

Western Counties Regional Library Warden MacAlpine advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met. There is one scheduled for June.

Western Regional Enterprise Network Liaison and Oversight Committee Warden MacAlpine advised that there was a WREN meeting on May 23<sup>rd</sup>. There is a provision that allows the board to have 12 people instead of 9. WREN is working on increasing productivity in the workplace and creating a real estate inventory across the Province. Three board members terms are expiring this year but the members are interested in re-offering.

Weymouth Doctor Recruiting Committee Deputy Warden Gregory advised that there has been no meeting since Council last met.

### **Council District Reports**

Councillor Tudor Councillor Tudor gave an update to Council on various district functions he attended such as working with EHS regarding emergency room closures and long waiting. He advised that Ferry Dock project and the Bog boardwalk are both looking good.

Councillor Manzer Councillor Manzer gave an update to Council on various district functions he attended such as the volunteer dinner at the Digby fire hall, working back at the Electric City cutting wood and aiding with the highway cleanup in Weymouth.

Councillor Ross Councillor Ross gave an update to Council on various district functions he attended such as the volunteer dinner at the Digby fire hall, is busy gearing up for the cleanup on the crossroad on June 1<sup>st</sup> and has been working with Kerry Bell on grading and fixing up the roads in his district.

Deputy Warden Gregory Deputy Warden Gregory gave an update to Council on the various district functions she attended such as the Provincial volunteer dinner in Halifax with Shirley Dugas as the Municipal rep, attended presentations on climate change and a public meeting on the herring problem where 170,000 herring died with no answers as to how nor why. Deputy Warden Gregory will present to COTW on June 12 regarding UNSM.

Warden MacAlpine Warden MacAlpine gave an update to Council on various

functions he attended such as the volunteer awards dinner at the Digby fire hall, Marsha Lewis's retirement party, he presented in Antigonish for the UNSM, attended a conference planning committee meeting on May 12<sup>th</sup> and met with Roger Outhouse regarding the ferry dock project.

Comments from the  
Gallery

**In Camera**

**MOVED and Seconded that Council take a five minute recess before going In Camera for two Personnel Issues at 8:30 PM.**

**Motion Carried**

After regular session resumed.

Personnel Issue

**MOVED and Seconded that be Samuel Barnes be appointed as the Municipal representative on the Digby Town & Municipal Housing Corp (Tideview) Committee for a two year period.**

**Motion Carried**

**Adjournment**

**MOVED and Seconded that the meeting adjourn at 8:48 PM.**

**Motion Carried**

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**CLERK**