

1. CALL TO ORDER/ATTENDENCE

1.1 Roll Call/Regrets

Warden Jimmy MacAlpine called the August 24, 2020 Council session of the Municipality of the District of Digby to order at 5:00 pm. The meeting was held via zoom.

The following Councillors were present: Warden Jimmy MacAlpine, Deputy Warden Linda Gregory, Councillor Matthew Ross, Councillor George Manzer and Councillor David Tudor

Staff present: Jeff Sunderland, Chief Administrative Officer, Tyler Pulley, Manager of Municipal Services, Cora Lee Ross, Manager of Corporate Services and Pat Stevens, Executive Assistant, who took the minutes of the meeting.

1.2 Pause to Seek Guidance

Warden MacAlpine welcomed everyone and asked that they pause to seek guidance for the meeting.

1.3 Reading of Mission Statement

Warden MacAlpine read the Municipality's mission statement.

2. ADMINISTRATIVE AND PROCEDURAL ISSUES

2.1 Approval of Agenda-Additions/Deletions

MOVED and seconded that the agenda for August 24, 2020 be approved as circulated.

MOTION CARRIED

2.2 Delegations/Presentations

None

2.3 Approval of Minutes of July 27, 2020

MOVED and seconded that the minutes from July 27, 2020 be approved as amended with Warden MacAlpine's length of service changed to almost twenty years as opposed to over twenty years under Council Reports.

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2.4 Unfinished Business from Minutes of July 27, 2020

2.5 CAO Report

a) Meeting Reminders

Warden MacAlpine went over the meeting dates/reminders.

Both Deputy Warden Gregory and Councillor Tudor would prefer attending the PAC meeting on September 23rd via Zoom.

b) Action Items from Previous Meetings

All Action Items from Previous Meetings have been taken care of.

c) Update on Capital Projects 2020-2021

The paving at the airport is to begin by the end of August.

d) Financial Report

i) Payables

MOVED and seconded that the list of payables for July 2020 in the amount of \$1,676,137.85 be approved.

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ii) Income and Expense Report

MOVED and seconded that the Income and Expense Report from July 2020 be approved.

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3. STANDING COMMITTEE ITEMS

3.1 By-Law & Policy

a) Gilbert Cove Historical Society

MOVED and seconded the approval of \$1,500 funding to the Gilbert Cove Historical Society.

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b) Digby East Fish and Game

MOVED and seconded the approval of \$1,500 funding to the Digby East Fish and Game.

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4. BUSINESS ITEMS

4.1 Fisheries & Aquaculture Minister/Coastal Action

Discussion ensued regarding the two requests for support by waiving tipping fees.

MOVED and seconded to waive the tipping fees for the Coastal Action Collaborative Ghost Gear Project up to a maximum of five tons.

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TWO OPPOSED

5. INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Correspondence

There was discussion on the correspondence received this month.

5.2 General Information Items

There was discussion on the general information received this month.

5.3 Advisory Committees Minutes/Reports

5.4 Other Council Committees

5.5 Joint Intermunicipal Committees Minutes/Reports

a) DARC

DARC update for the 46th Annual Provincial Volunteer Awards, April & June minutes, June & July Recreation Director, Facility Manager & Active Living Coordinator reports were circulated.

b) Digby Municipal Fire Association

A picture of the new tanker for Southville was circulated.

c) Kings Transit Authority

A letter of resignation, information on the interim General Manager, June minutes and the General Manager report were circulated.

d) Waste Check

February minutes, April & May Waste Check Connections, June meeting notes and a note with current board representatives were circulated.

5.6 Outside Boards/Committees Minutes/Reports

1) DATA

June minutes were circulated.

2) Southwest Biosphere Society

Signage in the Middleton area, February & June minutes and 2019 & 2020 AGM minutes were circulated.

5.7 Councillor District Activity Report

Councillor Tudor gave an update to Council on various district activities such as giving a speech at the Westport Village Park, working on dental work and mental health issues, has put in for \$13,000 grant for the foodbank, helping with three housing grants and one home warming grant, has attended a MOU meeting with the Tiverton Harbour Port Authority. He also advised that the population has gone up by thirty people on the Island.

Councillor Manzer gave an update to Council on various district activities such as attending the DATA meeting at the winery in Bear River, received a couple of calls regarding the water fountain in Weymouth. Residents had heard that the fountain was going to be moved onto private property. Councillor Manzer spoke with the owners of the property who advised that nothing is planned for this year.

Councillor Ross gave an update to Council on various district activities such as attending the Heritage Advisory meeting last week, met with constituents and dealt with gravel roads.

Deputy Warden Gregory gave an update to Council on the various district activities such as touring the Aquaculture site in Digby, dealt with road issues as well as the public on different things. She also spoke with a lady who owns a bed and breakfast requesting a letter of support in borrowing money from the CBDC. A letter of request, in writing, is required for Council to act on providing a letter of support.

Warden MacAlpine gave an update to Council on the various district activities such as speaking with MLA Gordon Wilson regarding arranging a meeting about RCMP with Mark Furey, Minister of Justice, a MOU has been signed by all partners of WREN, met with Paul Stackhouse, new Manager of Pines Hotel and met with Dawn Thomas regarding high risk clients.

6. IN CAMERA ITEMS

MOVED and seconded to go In Camera for a Personnel Issue at 5:47 PM.

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Council discussed all of the In-Camera items.

Council resumed the regular meeting at 5:54 PM.

7. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED and seconded that the meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

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Warden MacAlpine

Jeff Sunderland, CAO