



**Town of Westville
Regular Council Meeting
Monday, June 27, 2016**

Commencing at 6:00 pm

Council Members Present:

Mayor Roger MacKay
Deputy Mayor Lennie White
Councillor Bernie Murphy
Councillor Lynn MacDonald
Councillor Charlie Sutherland

Staff Present:

CAO Kelly D. Rice
Recording Secretary Bev Heighton

Regrets:

None

Public in Attendance:

Yes

Media Organizations Present:

The Advocate

1. CALLING OF MEETING TO ORDER

- 1.1 Mayor MacKay called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. in the Westville Council Chambers welcoming everyone in attendance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

- 2.1 *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the tentative agenda with additions. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.*

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- 3.1 *It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the minutes of the May 30, 2016 Regular Council Meeting. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*

4. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- 4.1 Councillor Murphy felt that the information that was provided by Ron Marks from Chignecto Central Regional School Board regarding an update of the costs of maintenance for the schools for Westville students was not provided. He felt that they provided information on planned projects and did not address the past work that was done. CAO Rice clarified that Council is looking for the cost expenditures not the proposed budget plans and she will contact Mr. Marks.

- 4.2 Councillor MacDonald asked that her stance on the Pictou County Military Museum from the previous meeting regarding the request that the Town of Westville to take over the Museum's yearly audit was documented. Councillor MacDonald stated the reason she voted against this request was she felt it was not appropriate for the Town to step in where a private business was looking after that function and that is why she didn't support the idea.

5. **PRESENTATION: ANDREA MACEACHERN**

- Hawboldt / Lays Road Race

- 5.1 The presentation was cancelled until the July meeting.

6. **EXPENDITURE REPORT**

- 6.1 *It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Expenditure Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*

7. **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

- 7.1 *Police - It was moved by Councillor Sutherland to approve the Police Report as circulated. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.*

Councillor MacDonald informed the public that on June 23 a reception was held at the Town of Westville to recognize Sgt. Chisholm and Sgt. Oickle on their retirement from the Westville Police Department. The two police officers had 81 years of service between them.

- 7.2 *Fire Report – It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Fire Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*

Councillor MacDonald acknowledged the Fire Department and the Rink Commission on the successful Chase the Ace fund raiser. She also congratulated the Fire Department on another successful Chicken BBQ that was held on June 11th.

- 7.3 *Recreation Report – It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Recreation Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

Councillor Murphy reminded the citizens that the Town of Westville Recreation Dept. is taking registration for summer camp.

Mayor MacKay informed citizens that on June 14 students from the Walter Duggan School came to do a tour of the different departments of the Town, as well as the Fire Department and the Library. It was very enjoyable!

- 7.4 *Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report - It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Compost, Garbage & Recycling Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

- 7.5 *Environmental Health Report - It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Environmental Health Report as circulated. Councillor Sutherland seconded. Motion carried.*

- 7.6 *Transportation Report - It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve*

the Transportation Report as circulated. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion Carried.

Councillor Murphy commended Superintendent of Public Works and the Employees on the work they did on Acadia Park and the other areas in Town.

7.7 Animal Control Report – It was moved by Councillor MacDonald to approve the Animal Control Report as circulated. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion Carried.

7.8 Building Report – It was moved by Councillor Murphy to approve the Building Report as circulated Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion Carried.

There was some discussion regarding unsightly premises. Councillor MacDonald asked if a letter could be sent to the owner of a property regarding the mowing of long grass and the clean up.

7.9 Glen Haven Manor Report – No report available.

8. CORRESPONDENCE

8.1 ALS – Thank You

CAO Rice read a thank you note from the members of the Walk for ALS.

8.2 Proposed Amendments to the Liquor Control Act

CAO Rice read a letter from the Alcohol, Gaming, Fuel & Tobacco Division of Service Nova Scotia and the Nova Scotia Liquor Corporation regarding the proposed amendments to the Liquor Control Act. This has been reviewed by Council but, this is the last draft if anyone wants to make any further comments to the proposed changes.

Councillor MacDonald requested that Council send another letter to say Council does not support the proposed changes.

8.3 UNSM-Action Plan for Aging Population

CAO Rice read a letter from UNSM regarding Municipal participation in the Province's Action Plan for an Aging Population. Anyone wishing to take part in the discussion is to let CAO Rice know so she can register anyone attending.

8.4 Adopt a Library Program

CAO Rice read an e-mail from Councillor Sutherland regarding the Adopt a Library Literacy Program. Councillor Sutherland gave an overview of the library program and anyone wishing to have more information can contact the Town Office or the Library.

8.5 Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library-Financial Statement

CAO Rice informed Council that a copy of the Financial Statement for the Pictou –Antigonish Regional Library is in the office if anyone wishes a copy.

8.6 Chignecto-Central Regional School Board-Financial Statement

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- 8.7 Pictou County Seniors' Festival**
CAO Rice read a letter from the Pictou County Seniors' Festival requesting support for this year's festival. The festival will take place August 11, 12 and 13. *Councillor MacDonald moved to donate \$100.00 to the Pictou County Seniors' Festival. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.*
- 8.8 Fusion Festival**
CAO Rice read a letter from the Multicultural Fusion Festival looking for support for this community event.
Deputy Mayor White moved to donate \$100.00 to the Multicultural Fusion Festival. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 8.9 Pictou County 4-H**
CAO Rice read a letter from the Trophy Committee of the Pictou County 4-H Club asking for support towards awards/trophies.
Councillor Murphy moved to donate \$50.00 to the Trophy Committee of the Pictou County 4-H Club. Councillor MacDonald seconded. Motion carried.

9. NEW/UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- 9.1 Taxi Driver's License Renewal**
Councillor MacDonald moved to approve the Taxi Driver's License Renewals as circulated. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.
- 9.2 Garden Club**
Councillor MacDonald read a note from the Garden Club thanking the Town of Westville for their support in beautifying the Town. A special thank you to Superintendent of Public Works Sam Graham and Staff for the wonderful job they have done with the flower beds and Acadia Park. The Garden Club will be selling tickets on a painting and the money raised will be used to purchase top soil as well as to replace trees in the memory garden.
- 9.3 Rotary Club**
Mayor MacKay thanked the Rotary Club for the generous donation of \$1,600.00 which was used to purchase a new sound system.
- 9.4 Housing Authority Representative**
CAO Rice read a letter from Geraldine Gresswell. She is applying for the position as a representative on the Eastern Mainland Housing Authority Board.
Councillor MacDonald moved to accept Geraldine Gresswell's application and appoint her as the Town's representative on the Eastern Mainland Housing Authority Board. Deputy Mayor White seconded. Motion carried.
- 9.5** Deputy Mayor White thanked Council and the citizens of Westville for allowing him to attend the Federation of Canadian Municipalities Conference held in Winnipeg. Deputy Mayor White touched on some of the highlights from the Conference.
- 9.6** Councillor Sutherland thanked Council and the citizens of Westville for the opportunity to lay a wreath on behalf of the Town of Westville at the Davies Day Memorial Service.

10. QUESTIONS FROM CITIZENS

Linda White – Duggan Ave.

Mrs. White asked what can be done about unsightly areas such as the Bear Brook Bridge area. Ms. White stated it is in the County but, coming into the Town of Westville it is unsightly to look at. CAO Rice will look into what the procedure is in the Municipality. Ms. White also asked about the 2015 Christmas tree pick up this year. She stated that the trees were put out and a lot of them were not picked up. Ms. White stated that the pickup dates were listed on the calendar. CAO Rice will look into this.

11. Mayor MacKay wished everyone a Happy Canada Day!

12. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

12.1 *Councillor MacDonald moved to adjourn the meeting at 6:50 p.m. Councillor Murphy seconded. Motion carried.*

Certified to be a true copy of the minutes of the June 27, 2016 Regular Council Meeting for the Town of Westville.


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MAYOR


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RECORDING SECRETARY