

**REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2014 @ 4:30 P.M.
GUYSBOROUGH MUNICIPAL BUILDING**

Mr. Carroll called the meeting to order at 4:31 p.m.

ATTENDANCE

14-02-27760

Warden Vernon Pitts
Councillor Miles MacDonald
Councillor Myles MacPherson
Councillor Rickey McLaren
Councillor Fin Armsworthy

OTHERS PRESENT

Barry Carroll, CAO
Christina Rodgers, HR, Tourism & Econ. Dev. Coordinator
Bruce MacKeen, Municipal Solicitor
Cathy Pike, ACRC
Ron Smith, ACRC
Media

REGRETS

Deputy Warden Janet Peitzsche
Councillor Sheila Pelly
Councillor Blair George

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

14-02-27761

Additions: Canso Electric Utility Rate Adjustment

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Agenda as presented with the noted addition.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2014 REGULAR COUNCIL 14-02-27762

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the January 8, 2014 Regular Monthly Council meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 8, 2014 PUBLIC HEARING 14-02-27763

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the January 8, 2014 Public Hearing as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 15, 2014
SPECIAL COUNCIL/DOT**

14-02-27764

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the January 15, 2014 Special Council/Quarterly DOT meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF JANUARY 24, 2014 SPECIAL COUNCIL 14-02-27765

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the January 24, 2014 Special Council meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.

MOTION CARRIED

APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF FEBRUARY 5, 2014 SPECIAL COUNCIL 14-02-27766

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the minutes of the February 5, 2014 Special Council meeting as presented with no noted errors or omissions.

MOTION CARRIED

DELEGATIONS

ATLANTIC CANADA REGIONAL COUNCIL OF CARPENTERS, MILLWRIGHTS AND ALLIED WORKERS 14-02-27767

Cathy Pike from ACRC distributed packages and made a brief presentation regarding the 'Hire Local' Resolutions she is proposing to Council.

HIRE LOCAL RESOLUTION

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: **WHEREAS** skilled carpenters and various trades from the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and the surrounding area are available and willing to work;

AND WHEREAS the Federal and Provincial Government have cost shared significant infrastructure projects in an effort to create good jobs and grow the economy;

AND WHEREAS it would benefit the local economy more for local trades people to find employment in these projects;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that local hire provisions be entrenched in Provincial Infrastructures Project Contracts to ensure the most benefit for the Municipality of the District of Guysborough and other Nova Scotia communities.

MOTION CARRIED

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

MOTION: **WHEREAS** skilled trades people from various communities throughout the province are available and willing to work;

AND WHEREAS the three levels of government share in a significant number of infrastructure projects, creating good jobs and growing the economy;

AND WHEREAS the employment to local trades people significantly contributes to local economies;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Municipality of Guysborough request the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities to write to the Premier of Nova Scotia and ask him to identify and implement measures to assist local companies in successfully bidding on contracts from these infrastructure projects, within the limits permitted by the Atlantic Procurement Agreement.

MOTION CARRIED

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

NEW BUSINESS

CANSO ELECTRIC UTILITY RATE ADJUSTMENT

14-02-27768

CAO Barry Carroll briefly reviewed the briefing note prepared by Deputy CAO Gary Cleary.

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: **THAT** the Canso Electric Utility make an application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board for approval of rate increases to offset purchase power increases associated with the UARB approved DSM and FAM provisions.

MOTION CARRIED

CANSO HARBOUR AUTHORITY REQUEST FOR TAX WRITE-OFF

14-02-27769

MOVED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: **THAT** on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough authorize that:

1) **AAN- 07145977** (deleted account)

a. Principal \$1,458.16

b. Interest \$1,377.69

c. Total \$2,835.85

2) **AAN-0653209**

a. Interest \$2,589.17

3) **AAN-0653365**

a. Interest \$9,567.39

AND THAT the total write off request is \$14,992.40 providing that the Canso Harbour Authority pays in full the balance of all outstanding taxes on AAN 0653209 and AAN 0653365.

MOTION CARRIED

STREET LIGHT PETITION, NEW HARBOUR

14-02-27770

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

MOTION: **THAT** on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough grant the approval for the installation of streetlights in the community of New Harbour in accordance with the Municipal Street lighting Policy.

MOTION CARRIED

AMENDED COMMUNITY & RECREATION GRANTS POLICY

14-02-27771

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: **THAT** on the recommendation of Committee of the Whole the Council of the Municipality of the District of Guysborough approve the amendments to the Community & Recreation Grants Policy as presented at the February 5, 2014 Committee of the Whole meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

2 NAYS – Councillor Fin Armsworthy & Councillor Rickey McLaren

COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

HOME MANAGEMENT BOARD

14-02-27772

Warden Pitts presented a report, which is included in the meeting package.

MOVED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Home Management Board report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

ARENA STEERING COMMITTEE BOARD

14-02-27773

Councillor Miles MacDonald gave a brief report in Councillor George's absence updating Council on various community fundraising initiatives that are being planned.

MOVED: Councillor Miles MacDonald

SECONDED: Councillor Fin Armsworthy

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Arena Steering Committee report as presented.

MOTION CARRIED

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

14-02-27774

Councillor MacPherson updated Council on the Committee's activities including NS Power's improved vegetation management and the possibility of participation in an Emergency Preparedness Course in the coming year.

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

SECONDED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

MOTION: THAT Council approve the Emergency Management Committee report as presented.

EASTERN REGION SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

14-02-27775

No report/meeting.

GUYSBOROUGH ADULT LEARNING ASSOCIATION

14-02-27776

Councillor McLaren updated Council on GALA's current situation caused by impending funding shortfalls.

MOVED: Councillor Rickey McLaren

SECONDED: Councillor Myles MacPherson

MOTION: THAT Council approve the GALA report as presented.

WASTE MANAGEMENT LIAISON COMMITTEE

14-02-27777

No report/meeting.

HOME SUPPORT BOARD

14-02-27778

No report.

ANTIGONISH GUYSBOROUGH BLACK DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION

14-02-27779

No report.

LIBRARY BOARD

14-02-27780

No report. Meeting was cancelled due to snow storm.

SABLE WIND COMMUNITY LIAISON COMMITTEE

14-02-27781

No report.

CANSO ARENA BOARD

14-02-27782

No report.

WARDEN'S REPORT

14-02- 27783

Warden Vernon Pitts presented a written report included in the meeting package.

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson
SECONDED: Councillor Rickey McLaren
MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Warden's report as presented.

MAYORS & WARDENS REPORT **14-02-27784**

Warden Vernon Pitts gave a brief update on the Mayors & Wardens meeting he attended. The notes are also included in his Warden's report.

MOVED: Councillor Myles MacPherson
SECONDED: Councillor Miles MacDonald
MOTION: **THAT** Council approve the Mayors & Wardens report as presented.

ANYTHING BY MEMBERS **14-02-27785**

Nothing by members

FUTURE MEETING DATES **14-02-27786**

- February 19, 2014 @ 4:30 p.m.- Committee of the Whole
- March 5, 2014 @ 4:30 p.m.- Committee of the Whole

Barry Carroll noted that there will be a meeting with Council and Catalyst Consulting on February 19, 2014 at 3:30 pm regarding the Canso School Repurposing Study.

ADJOURNMENT **14-02-27787**

MOVED: Councillor Rickey McLaren
MOTION: **THAT** the February 12, 2014 Council meeting stand adjourned.
MOTION CARRIED (5:08 p.m.)

WARDEN

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER

DATE