

# MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF **ANTIGONISH**

## **Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes**

**Tuesday, September 13, 2022**

**7:30 pm**

**Council Chambers**

**Municipal Administration Building**

**285 Beech Hill Road**

**Beech Hill, NS B2G 0B4**

### **Councillors Present:**

Warden Owen McCarron

Deputy Warden Hugh Stewart

Councillor Mary MacLellan

Councillor Donnie MacDonald

Councillor Remi Deveau

Councillor John Dunbar

Councillor Gary Mattie

Councillor Bill MacFarlane (by Zoom)

Councillor Harris McNamara

Councillor Shawn Brophy

### **Staff Present:**

Glenn Horne, CAO

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Shirlyn Donovan, Strategic Initiatives  
Coordinator

### **Also Present:**

Matt Draper, XFM

Drake Lowther, The Reporter

Blake Priddle, 101.5 The Hawk

Corey LeBlanc (by Zoom)

Gallery

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### **Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron**

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:30pm.

A moment of silence was observed in recognition of the passing of HRM Queen Elizabeth II.

### **Approval of Agenda**

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda. One deletion was made: the removal of July 12, 2022 minutes due to Council not meeting on that date.

**Min # 2022-089**

Moved and Seconded

That the agenda be approved as amended.

**Motion Carried**

**Approval of the June 14, 2022 Municipal Council Minutes**

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in minutes.

**Min # 2022-090**

Moved and Seconded

That the Municipal Council Minutes of June 14, 2022 be approved.

**Motion Carried**

**Business Arising from Minutes**

There was no business arising from the minutes.

**Presentations**

StFX Alumni Association Awards of Excellence - Friend of StFX Award

Warden McCarron reviewed the award provided to the Town and County from the St. FX Alumni Association for the service provided to the student community during the pandemic.

**Correspondence**

Antigonish Art Fair - Thank-you Card

Mr. Home reviewed a thank-you card received from the Antigonish Art Fair for the support provided by the County in the form of a community partnership grant.

**Committee Reports**

June 28, 2022 Committee of the Whole Report

**Min # 2022-091**

Moved and Seconded

THAT the Committee recommend that Municipal Council write-off the taxes for AAN 04730194, which was destroyed by fire, in the amount of \$432.51.

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-092**

Moved and Seconded

That the County contribute \$500 towards repairs to the bleachers at the Sandlot Ball Field.

**Motion Carried**

July 21, 2022 E-Poll

**Min # 2022-093**

Moved and Seconded

That RVA be retained to complete an inflow & infiltration study and sanitary sewer evaluation on the Lower South River sewer system.

**Motion Carried**

September 12, 2022 Planning Advisory Committee Report

**Min # 2022-094**

Moved and Seconded

THAT Council gives First Reading and sets a public hearing date regarding the development agreement to allow for a maximum of 4 commercial storage buildings on Lot 1A2, PID 01297456, 2784 Highway 4, Brierly Brook, Antigonish County, which is substantively the same (save for minor differences in form) as the draft set out in the planning report dated 12 September 2022.

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-095**

Moved and Seconded

THAT Council gives First Reading and sets a public hearing date regarding the proposed text amendment to the West River Antigonish Harbour Land Use By-law to increase the existing area restriction of 83.6 m<sup>2</sup> (900 ft<sup>2</sup>) to 130 m<sup>2</sup> (1,400 ft<sup>2</sup>) on accessory buildings and to include a percentage limiting the size of accessory buildings based on the total lot area of a property, which is substantively the same (save for minor differences in form) as the draft set out in the staff report dated 12 September 2022.

**Motion Carried**

September 13, 2022 Committee of the Whole Report

**Min # 2022-096**

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the renaming of a private lane off of the Summerside Bayfield Road to Fisher Lane

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-097**

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the amendments as proposed to the Human Resources Policy.

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-098**

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the installation of a streetlight at a sharp turn on the Blacksmith Valley Road just after the Dunmore Bridge.

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-099**

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council forward a petition to Antigonish MLA Michelle Thompson and Nova Scotia Department of Public Works.

**Motion Carried**

**Min # 2022-100**

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council write-off the taxes for AAN 01130307, which was destroyed by fire, in the amount of \$464.87.

**Motion Carried**

**Reports from Individual Council Members on Outside Boards, Conferences, and Community Activities**

Councillor Dunbar shared an update from the Antigonish Arena Board, where the new manager has started. He also noted that next month the 50th anniversary of the Heatherton Activity Centre will be celebrated.

Councillor MacDonald shared that he attended the AGM from the Antigonish Museum Board. A summary of the visitor statistics and a the activities that took place over the summer months were shared. As part of Antigonight, a slideshow of heritage photographs from the community will be projected onto a building downtown.

Councillor MacLellan shared that she provided her resignation as Chair of the RK MacDonald Board. On behalf of the community and Council, Warden McCarron thanked Councillor MacLellan for her service as the Chair and ongoing service on the board.

Councillor Deveau attended the physician meet and greet and a presentation of the Hobbit, both at the Keppoch, over the summer months.

Councillor MacFarlane acknowledged the passing of Archibald (Archie) Chisholm, a member of the community who passed away this summer and will be missed.

Warden McCarron shared that there will be a climate rally at Town Hall on September 23rd. Details will be sent around to Council.

### **Motions**

There are no motions.

### **Miscellaneous Business**

There is no miscellaneous business.


### **Adjournment**

**Min # 2022-101**

Moved

That the Council meeting adjourns at 7:51pm.

**Motion Carried**



Warden Owen McCarron



Glenn Horne, CAO