

MUNICIPALITY OF THE COUNTY OF
ANTIGONISH

Municipal Council Meeting- Minutes

Tuesday, November 8, 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

Councillor Harris McNamara

Councillor Shawn Brophy

Staff Present:

Glenn Horne, CAO

Beth Schumacher, Deputy Clerk

Shirlyn Donovan, Strategic Initiatives
Coordinator

Tammy Feltmate, Director of Sustainable
Communities

Also Present:

Blake Priddle - The Hawk

Matt Draper, XFM (by Zoom)

Call to Order- Chairman, Warden Owen McCarron

Warden McCarron called the meeting to order at 7:32pm. A moment of silence was held in recognition of it being Remembrance Day later in the week.

Approval of Agenda

Warden McCarron called for any additions or deletions to the agenda.

Min # 2022-125

Moved and Seconded

That the agenda be approved as amended.

Motion Carried

Approval of October 11, 2022 Municipal Council Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in the minutes of the October 11, 2022 Municipal Council meeting.

Min # 2022-126

Moved and Seconded

That the Municipal Council Minutes of October 11, 2022 be approved.

Motion Carried

Approval of October 20, 2022 Municipal Council Minutes

Warden McCarron called for any errors or omissions in the minutes from the October 20, 2022 Municipal Council meeting.

Min # 2022-127

Moved and Seconded

That the Municipal Council Minutes of October 20, 2022 be approved.

Motion Carried

Business Arising from Minutes

There was no business arising from the minutes.

Presentations

Accessibility Plan - Tammy Feltmate, Director of Sustainable Communities

Councillor Mattie introduced the Accessibility Plan, being presented to Council in print, in advance of its release to the public. Staff has worked with a graphic designer to create the document. Ms. Feltmate spoke further to the experience of creating the printed copy of the Accessibility Plan and reviewed some of the next steps in publishing the plan for public use. Next steps for the Accessibility Committee were shared as well.

Ms. Feltmate also shared some upcoming dates for the accessibility updates to the washrooms at the Municipal Office, as well as staff's involvement in a access visibility campaign being done in the community. Discussion followed. Staff and the Accessibility Committee were thanked for their involvement in the development of the plan.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Committee Reports

October 27, 2022 Antigonish Regional Emergency Management Advisory Committee Report

Councillor MacDonald reviewed the Committee report. No recommendations came forward.

November 7, 2022 Planning Advisory Committee Report

Councillor MacLellan reviewed the Planning Advisory Committee report from their November 7th meeting.

Min # 2022-128

Moved and Seconded

That Municipal Council gives First Reading and sets a public hearing date regarding the rezoning of PIDs 10093540 and 01297654 from the Rural Settlement (RS-1) zone to the Residential Multi-unit (R-2) zone.

Motion Carried

November 8, 2022 Committee of the Whole Report

Mr. Horne reviewed the November 8, 2022 Committee of the Whole report.

Min # 2022-128

Moved and Seconded

That Municipal Council approves the signing of the Order for Winter Parking Regulations for 2022-23, setting out the period from December 1, 2022 to April 15, 2023 as the time in which Winter Parking Regulations will be in effect on roads/streets under the jurisdiction of the County of Antigonish.

Motion Carried

Min # 2022-129

Moved and Seconded

The Committee recommends that Municipal Council approves the request from the Positive Action for Keppoch to reallocate their 2022/2023 Community Partnership Grant to assist with hurricane cleanup.

Motion Carried

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

- Councillor Deveau shared that he attended the Physician Navigation Forum held at CACL. He also attended the NSFM conference in Halifax and shared some of the affordable housing examples that were discussed at the conference. He also raised the NSFM announcement regarding their administration of the sustainable communities fund. Councillor Deveau also attended the Construction Hall of Fame induction of John Chisholm and assisted at Hospital Help Day.
- Councillor MacDonald provided an update from the ERSWM committee. The committee's terms of reference are being reviewed. An update on the Heritage Museum Board was also provided, noting several events held over the past few months.
- Councillor McNamara shared that he attended the Planning Commission Meeting, where the Coastal Protection Act was again discussed.
- Warden McCarron shared that he attended the NSFM conference as well. He provided some highlights from sessions with PVSC and noted that he also attended the Construction Hall of Fame ceremony for John Chisholm. Warden McCarron also participated in the Hospital Help Day event and attended the Havre Boucher Veteran's Memorial Day Celebration.

Motions

There were no further motions.

Miscellaneous Business

There was no miscellaneous business.

Adjournment

Min # 2022-130

Moved

That the Municipal Council meeting adjourns at 8:00pm.

Motion Carried

Warden Owen McCarron

Glenn Horne, CAO