

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Minutes of Meeting
February 15,2010

1. A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the Shannon Studio , Port Hawkesbury Civic Centre on Monday, February 15,2010 at the hour of 5:45 P.M.
2. Present were Mayor W.J.MacLean; Deputy Mayor Hugh MacDougall; Cl'rs M.MacIver, K. Anderson;Town Solicitor, L. Evans and CAO, J. Davis; J.Pyke, Recreation Director and J. MacNeil, Work Superintendent.
3. Mayor MacLean called the meeting to order.

GALLERY PRESENTATIONS
KATHERINE REED, N.S. POWER PROGRAM FOR LOW INCOME

4. Mayor MacLean introduced Katherine Reed of Nova Scotia Power who presented a low income program available to low income earners who heat with electricity and own their own home. She asked Council to pass out information pamphlets. Energy advisors are available at no cost as a part of the program. Drafts around doors and windows are the main culprits.

FIRE SERVICES

5. Chief Sellers presented his fire services report, along with a request for funding of confined spaces courses.

PUBLIC WORKS

6. MOVED BY CL'R J. KING, SEC'D BY CL'R M. MACIVER TO APPROVE THE PUBLIC WORKS REPORT AS SUBMITTED. MOTION CARRIED.

PARKS, RECREATION & TOURISM

7. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R M.MACIVER TO APPROVE THE AQUATICS REPORT AND THE DIRECTOR'S REPORT. MOTION CARRIED.

DONATIONS

8. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H.MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R K. ANDERSON THAT WE DONATE \$250.00 TOWARDS SAERC STUDENT TRIP TO MEXICO FOR EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES. MOTION CARRIED.
9. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R J.

KING TO OFFER, THE AARON JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP INVITATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNAMENT THE MINOR HOCKEY ICE RATES OF \$170.00 HR. PROVIDED THE ARENA STILL HAS ICE. MOTION CARRIED.

10. Gasha's request for funding has been, at the request of the mayor, referred to him for fund-raising.
11. MOVED BY CL'R J.KING, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H.MAC DOUGALL THAT MAYOR MACLEAN AND DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL ATTEND THE FCM CONFERENCE IN TORONTO. MOTION CARRIED.
12. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL THAT WE DONATE \$250 TO EAST NOVABILITY TO SUPPORT THEIR PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED.

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13. Festival of the Strait Society requested the use of the Port Hawkesbury Recreation Grounds.

14. MOVED BY CL'R M. MACIVER, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H.MAC DOUGALL THAT THE TOWN COUNCIL SUPPORT THE FESTIVAL OF THE STRAIT SOCIETY REQUEST TO USE THE PORT HAWKESBURY RECREATION GROUNDS AREA. MOTION CARRIED.

CIVIC CENTRE

15. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H.MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R K. ANDERSON THAT THE FACILITY USAGE CIVIC CENTRE POLICY BE DEFERRED TIL MARCH COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE . MOTION CARRIED.

CIVIC CENTRE MARKETING MANAGER

16. The Marketing Manager gave a written report covering such areas as:
 - i. The Olympic Torch
 - ii. Florida Panthers
 - iii. Eastern Counties Regional Library
 - iv. ECBC Events Development
 - v. National Racquetball Events
 - vi. Technology Update
17. Mayor MacLean thanked Paula Davis for her presentations.

18. Mayor MacLean as a gesture of good will donated the Olympic Torch he received to the Civic Centre for display.
19. Mayor MacLean suggested that we encourage racquet ball court instruction on weekends by the racquet ball society.
- 20 Ideas on sound equipment and rentals options were to be sounded over the next weeks.

CIVIC CENTRE MAINTENANCE MANAGER'S REPORT

21. Maintenance Manager, Gordon Snook reviewed on going issues and events including:
 - i. Requirements for a Comfort Centre
 - ii. Wall of Fame
 - iii. Employee Training
 - iv. Olympic Torch Relay
 - v. Helmet Program
 - vi. Landscaping
 - vii. YMCA Equipment Maintenance
 - viii. Cooling Tower
 - ix. Racquetball Court Maintenance
22. Gordie to pursue with JimDavis and Jim Pyke the rectification of the cooling tower/heat pump issue.
23. MOVED BY CL'R J. KING, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL THAT THE SUCCESS OF THE OLYMPIC TORCH EVENT WARRANTS A LETTER THANKING STAFF FOR THE TREMENDOUS EFFORT. MOTION CARRIED.COUNCIL ALSO REQUESTED THE MAINTENANCE MANAGER TO SCHEDULE AND 'PRICE OUT' THE COST OF THE AEROBIC EQUIPMENT.

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FLEA MARKET

24. MOVED BY CL'R J.KING THAT THERE BE NO FLEE MARKETS IN THE BEAR HEAD CONFERENCE ROOM.. NO SECONDER.MOTION IS LOST.
25. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R K.

ANDERSON THAT THE MATTER OF THE FLEA MARKET BE INCLUDED ON THE NEXT AGENDA WHEN THE CIVIC CENTRE FACILITY RENTAL POLICY IS DISCUSSED. MAYOR MACLEAN AND CL'R J.KING VOTED NAY. MOTION CARRIED.

26. MOVED TO RECESS INTO "IN CAMERA" AT 7:15 PM.

27. Returned from recess at 7:30 P.M.

28. The matter of senior citizens drop off and pick up was discussed in the Camera session.

29. MOVED BY CL'R J. KING, SEC'D BY CL'R K. ANDERSON THAT THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 7:35 PM.

DATE

APPROVED BY:

RECORDED BY:
A.MACDONALD