

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE
Minutes of Meeting
April 19,2010

1. A meeting of the Committee of the Whole was held in the Shannon Studio on Monday, April 19,2010 at the hour of 5.45 PM.
2. Present were Mayor W.J.MacLean; Deputy Mayor H.MacDougall; C'Irs J. King, M. MacIver, K. Anderson; Director of Public Works, J.MacNeil; Director of Parks and Recreation and Tourism, J. Pyke; Erin MacEachen, Finance Director and J. Davis, CAO.
3. Mayor MacLean called the meeting to order.
4. The first item of agenda attended to was a proclamation for National Immunization Awareness week.

PROCLAMATION

5. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY CL'R M.MACIVER TO DECLARE APRIL 24- MAY 1, 2010 ENCOURAGE CHILDHOOD IMMUNIZATION AROUND VACCINATION WEEK, APRIL 24- MAY 1, 2010. MOTION CARRIED.

STRAIT HIGHLAND RDA NEWCOMERS SETTLEMENT SERVICES

6. Amanda Mombourquette gave an update on the RDA's work on the Cape Breton Newcomers Immigration Strategy.
7. The RDA's partnering with the quad counties to encourage and support newcomers and immigration. She stated rural areas attract a different type of newcoming that the urban centre. The goal of the project is to provide a central location where both newcomers and stakeholders in the region can obtain information related to immigration and settlement needs .
8. The Mayor thanked Ms.Mombourquette for a fine presentation.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ISSUES

9. Additions to the agenda included coyotes.
10. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY CL'R M.MACIVER TO ADD COYOTES AS AN ITEM UNDER COMMUNITY SERVICES. DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL READ A LETTER CONCERNING COYOTES FROM PRINCIPAL JACK MACDONALD, FROM TAMARAC EDUCATION CENTRE. MOTION CARRIED.

11. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR M. MACIVER, SEC'D BY CL'R J.KING THAT WE SEND A LETTER TO THE PROVINCE IN SUPPORT OF THE IMPORTANCE OF A PROVINCIAL BOUNTY ON COYOTES. MOTION CARRIED.

POLICING SERVICES

12. No member present from policing department and no report this month.

FIRE SERVICES

13. No member present from fire department and no report this month.

PUBLIC WORKS

14. MOVED BY CL'R J.KING, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL THAT THE SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

PARKS RECREATION & TOURISM ISSUES

15. Deputy Mayor H. MacDougall gave a verbal report on the ballfield/soccer field project saying that the project is going well. It was noted there is hard rock in places. The project is expected to be playable by late June/early July for ball and September for the football /soccer field.

16. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R J KING THAT THE AQUATICS REPORT AND DIRECTOR'S REPORT BE APPROVED AS PRESENTED. MOTION CARRIED.

17. ON THE QUESTION IT WAS ASKED IF THE POOL IS TO BE OPENED FOR THE MONTH OF JULY.

18. ON THE QUESTION IT WAS ASKED IF JIM PYKE CAN MEET WITH THE YMCA TO DISCUSS PROGRAMING RELATED MATTERS. QUESTION WAS CALLED FOR. MOTION CARRIED.

19. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R M.MACIVER THAT THE POOL REMAIN OPEN FOR THE 3 WEEKS FOR THE MONTH OF JULY. MOTION CARRIED.

20. MAYOR MACLEAN RECOMMENDED THAT WE DEVELOP A STRATEGY FOR POOL PRICING AND THAT A LIST OF OPTIONS BE

PREPARED FOR A MEETING OF COUNCIL.

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FINANCE AND POLICY ISSUES

21. Additions to the agenda included Volunteer of the Year Policy and request of Gordon and Monica Ryan.

MARKETING LEVY BY-LAW

22. Jim Davis stated that he and Jim Pyke attended a meeting of Destination Cape Breton and ECBC where a proposed budget was discussed which incorporates the marketing levy. Municipal units were encouraged to prepare for and to request their Council to consider passing the by-law soon after it is passed by the Provincial legislature.

DONATIONS

23. MOVED BY CL'R K.ANDERSON, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL THAT TOWN COUNCIL DONATE \$250.00 TOWARDS BLACK EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION'S REGIONAL EDUCATORS PROGRAM. MOTION CARRIED.

24. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY DEPUTY MAYOR H. MACDOUGALL THAT THE LETTER FROM STRAIT AREA TRANSIT BE TABLED TIL BUDGET DELIBERATION. MOTION CARRIED.

25. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY CL'R M. MACIVER THAT COUNCIL DONATE \$250.00 TOWARDS THE GAELIC COUNCIL OF NOVA SCOTIA. MOTION CARRIED.

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR POLICY

26. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY CL'R J.KING THAT STAFF DEVELOP VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR POLICY. MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDENCE PROPERTY TAX REDUCTION

27. MOVED BY CL'R J.KING , SEC'D BY CL'R K. ANDERSON THAT WE GRANT A TAX ADJUSTMENT OF \$976.90 FOR TAX ACCOUNT #6367577 RELATING TO THE LOSS OF A HOME DUE TO FIRE. MOTION CARRIED.

28. MOVED BY DEPUTY MAYOR H.MACDOUGALL, SEC'D BY CL'R

M. MACIVER THAT WE ADJUST THE ANNUAL RATE FOR BOX SEATS TO \$2,500 PER YEAR. MOTION CARRIED.

29. MOVED BY CL'R K. ANDERSON, SEC'D BY CL'R H. MACDOUGALL THAT WE RECESS TO "IN CAMERA" AT 7:10 PM. MOTION CARRIED.

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30. Council reconvened from "In Camera" at 7:25 PM.

31. On Motion the meeting adjourned at 7:30 P.M.

DATE

APPROVED BY:

RECORDED BY:
A.MACDONALD