

PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting
Thursday, December 15, 2011

PRESENT

Mayor, Billy Joe MacLean
Chief Administrative Officer, Maris Freimanis
Director of Finance, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Erin MacEachen
Deputy Mayor, Ken Anderson
Councilor, Jim King
Councilor, Hugh MacDougall
Councilor, Mark MacIver
Director of Marketing, Tourism, Culture and Recreation, Paula Davis
Director of Public Works, Jim MacNeil
Director of Parks and Facilities, Jim Pyke
Town Solicitor, Patrick Lamey (Alternate)

REGRETS

Town Solicitor, Larry Evans

1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held in the Shannon Studio, Thursday, December 15, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Mayor MacLean at 6:20 p.m.

2. REZONING:

- Town owned properties: Bourinot Drive PIDS # 50127174, 50127901, and 50127885

MOVED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson, and **SECONDED** by Councilor J. King "That Town Council approves the recommendation for the proposed rezoning application for lands described as PIDS # 50127174, 50127901, and 50127885 on Bourinot Drive; from the Recreation Open Space (0-1) Zone to Residential Two Unit (R-2) Zone". **MOTION CARRIED.**

3. CHRISTMAS CLOSURE

The 2011 Christmas closure agenda item from the Regular Town Council Meeting, December 6, 2011, was revisited for further discussion by Council. As per the rules of order, unanimous consent was required by Council to discuss, reconsider, rescind or modify the motion of December 6, 2011. Councilor H. MacDougall inquired about the status of the December 6th motion should there be no resolution in this discussion. He stated he did not want the December 6th motion changed. M. Freimanis indicated the current motion is a matter of public record and that it would stand as an adopted motion by Council. The by-law allows for waiving the rule with regards to notice of motion if consent is granted by Council.

The December 6th motion states that administrative staff is not required to use vacation time or lieu time during December 28, 29, and ½ day December 30. E. MacEachen and M. Freimanis indicated this caused inequity amongst other staff; in particular those staff that must work during this period. Deputy Mayor K. Anderson inquired if front counter services (one person or a rotation of staff) would be available to the public, and if the main line could be redirected to a staff member if required. Mayor MacLean asked the Town Solicitor to research and provide a legal opinion regarding the validity of this motion.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson, and **SECONDED** by Councilor J. King "That Town Council reconsiders and modifies the original motion of December 6, 2011 and approves that the Town administrative offices at the PHCC are closed December 28, 29, and ½ day December 30, and that staff use vacation days or time in lieu during this period". **MOTION CARRIED.**

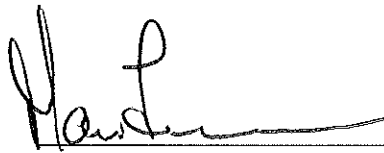
Two nays were recorded from Councilors H. MacDougall and M. MacIver.

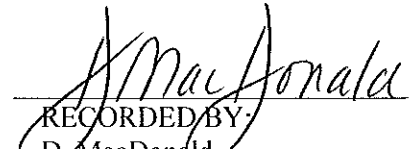
Mayor MacLean conveyed his regrets for his misunderstanding of the original motion.

4. **ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED by Deputy Mayor K. Anderson, and **SECONDED** by Councilor M. MacIver "That Town Council adjourns the special meeting of Port Hawkesbury Town Council at 6:40 p.m. **MOTION CARRIED.**

Feb 13 2012
DATE


APPROVED BY:


RECORDED BY:
D. MacDonald