

TOWN COUNCIL
Minutes of Meeting
April 5, 2011

1. The regular monthly meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held in the Shannon Studio, Port Hawkesbury Civic Center, on Tuesday, April 5, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.
2. Present were Mayor W.J. MacLean; D/M. H. MacDougall; CI'r's J. King; K. Anderson and M. MacIver; CAO, J. M. Freimanis; and Town Solicitor, P. Lanney.
3. Mayor MacLean called the meeting to order and the following items of business were attended to:

GALLERY PRESENTATIONS

Comhairle na Gaidhlig/Gaelic Council of NS

4. Mayor MacLean welcomed Caroline Cameron, Co-ordinator for the Gaelic Council of Nova Scotia. Ms. Cameron gave a brief outline and presentation to Council on the objectives and the background of the Society. She discussed their plan for the 2011-2012 Forum, with special guest speaker, Linden MacIntyre. Ms. Cameron thanked Council for their support. Mayor MacLean thanked Ms. Cameron for her presentation and noted the Council will make a decision, regarding her request for a donation, when Council enters into budget deliberations.

ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. (1) Swim Team
(2) Street Lights
6. *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by Councillor King to approve the additions to the agenda as presented. Motion carried.*

MINUTES

- Regular Council March 1, 2011
- Committee of the Whole March 21, 2011
- Special Public March 29, 2011

7. Councillor Anderson noted that item #44, in the Comm. of the Whole Minutes of March 21, 2011, should state that....."On motion, the meeting recessed to In Camera at 8:09 p. m." He also stated that the "In Camera session" ended at 8:45 p. m.
8. *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by Councillor King to approve the minutes as amended. Motion carried.*

BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

9. Councillor Anderson apologized for not being in attendance at the Special Meeting on March 29, 2011, as he was not feeling well; and D/M MacDougall stated that he was unable to attend as he was away.

PROCLAMATIONS/DECLARATIONS/SPECIAL NOTICES
"Volunteer Week - April 17-23, 2011"

10. *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by Councillor MacIver to declare April 17-23, 2011, as "Provincial Volunteer Week". Motion carried.*

CORRESPONDENCE

11. There was no correspondence.

RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

12. **"Appointments-Eastern District Planning Commission"**
- Administrator-Dangerous & Unightly Premises - JOHN BAIN
 - Sean Donovan (Alternate)
 - Building Inspector - LEON LeBLANC
 - Harry Martell (Alternate)
 - Cyril LeBlanc (Alternate)
 - David MacKenzie (Alternate)
 - Development Officer - WANDA RYAN
 - John Bain (Alternate)
 - Karl Grenke (Alternate); and
 - Andrew Jones (Alternate)
 - Fire Inspector - LEON LeBLANC
 - Sean Donovan (Alternate)
 - Cyril LeBlanc (Alternate)

13. *It was moved by Councillor MacIver, and seconded by Councillor King that we approve the above-requested appointments to the Eastern District Planning Commission. On the question, Councillor Anderson noted that Karl Grenke is no longer employed with the EDPc and has taken a new position in Ontario. Motion carried.*

OTHER BUSINESS

14. (A) *Funding Request - Strait Highlands Green Action*
15. *It was moved by Councillor M. MacIver, and seconded by Councillor Anderson to approve the amount of \$3450.00 for 2011-2012, with the same amount for 2012-2013 for the Strait Highlands Green Action Plan. On the question, Councillor Anderson asked if we could approve just one year. D/M MacDougall inquired if there was a list of Committee Members. Councillor MacIver, who is a Board Member at the present time, stated he will obtain this information. Motion carried.*

(B) *Festival of the Strait*

- (i) *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by Councillor King to donate \$5000 to the Festival of the Strait Committee as has been the amount for the past number of years. On the question, Councillor MacIver suggested that maybe we should raise the amount a little more to facilitate the fireworks. Council agreed to leave the amount at \$5000 for now, with more discussions at budget time. Motion carried.*

- (ii) Use of Port Hawkesbury Recreation Grounds - *It was moved by D/M McDougall and seconded by Councillor Mark MacIver to approve the request of the Festival of the Strait Committee to use the recreation grounds, pending its availability to be arranged with Jim Pyke, Director of Parks & Facilities. Motion carried.*

- 17. (C) Funding Request - East Novability - *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by Councillor King to donate \$250.00 to East Novability. Motion carried.*

- 18. (D) Updates
 - (i) By-Law & Policy Review

- 19. The CAO, Mr. Freimanis reported that the target date for categorizing our By-Laws is May 31, 2011; a schedule to be provided to Council by June 30, 2011.

- (ii) By-Law Enforcement Officer - At this time, Mr. John Bain, of the EDDPC, has no particular person designated for this position; he will pursue the development of such as a shared position with other local municipal units.

APPROVED ADDITIONS TO AGENDA

- 20. (i) Swim Team (Auction Fundraiser)

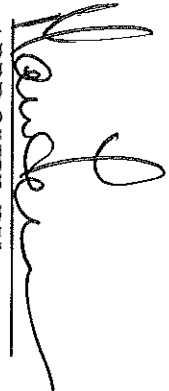
It was moved by D/M MacDougall, and seconded by Councillor King that the Town donate an hour of ice-time and 2 hrs. use of the Arts & Crafts Room. On the question, Councillor Anderson stated he believes that this matter is a staff issue and doesn't need to come before Council. Motion carried.

- (ii) Street Lights - D/M MacDougall informed Council that there is a website where individuals can report street lights that are not on. Councillor MacIver noted that the Fire Dept. does a regular check and marks those that are not lit with a ribbon. It was suggested that the 'NSPC link' be added to our website.

- 21. *It was moved by Councillor Anderson, and seconded by D/M MacDougall that we send a donation to the Red Cross for the Japan earthquake/tsunami crisis on behalf of the citizens of the Town of Port Hawkesbury. Motion carried.*

22. On motion by D/M McDougall, and seconded by Councillor Anderson, the meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Feb 13, 2012
DATE


APPROVED BY

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