

PORT HAWKESBURY TOWN COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting
Tuesday, October 4, 2011

PRESENT

Mayor Billy Joe MacLean
Chief Administrative Officer, Maris Freimanis
Director of Finance, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer, Erin MacEachen
Deputy Mayor Jim King
Councilor Ken Anderson
Councilor Hugh MacDougall
Councilor Mark MacIver
Town Solicitor, Larry Evans
Director of Marketing, Tourism, Culture and Recreation, Paula Davis

1. CALL TO ORDER

A meeting of the Port Hawkesbury Town Council was held in the Shannon Studio on Tuesday, October 4, 2011. The meeting was called to order by Mayor MacLean at 7:00 p.m.

2. GALLERY PRESENTATIONS

There were no presentations from the gallery.

3. ADDITIONS TO/APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED by Councilor K. Anderson, and **SECONDED** by Deputy Mayor J. King "That Committees of Council be added to the agenda and that the agenda be approved". **MOTION CARRIED.**

4. MINUTES

a) Emergency Town Council – August 23, 2011

There were no changes to the Emergency Town Council minutes, August 23, 2011.

b) Special Town Council – September 6, 2011

Item #4 - Councilor K. Anderson stated the reason for his conflict of interest was that his brother conducted the survey on the project. He would like this reason included in the Special Town Council minutes, September 6, 2011.

c) Regular Town Council – September 6, 2011

Page 2: Resolution #1 – Councilor Anderson requested the following revision: Mr. Harold MacIsaac is nominated (as opposed to appointed) to the Strait of Canso Superport Corporation.

Page 2: Resolution #2 – Councilor Anderson stated the reason for his conflict of interest was that his brother was involved on this project. He would like this reason included in the Regular Town Council minutes, September 6, 2011.

Page 3: Item #7 – Councilor Anderson stated that Mayor MacLean was not representing the Town of Port Hawkesbury, but representing the Union of Nova Scotia Municipalities (UNSM) in conjunction with the NewPage situation; the Town of Port Hawkesbury did not have standing at that time.

d) Special Town Council – September 20, 2011

Funding Requests

Page 3: Item ii. – Port Hawkesbury Literacy Council

Councilor K. Anderson stated the reason for his conflict of interest was that his sister is employed with the Port Hawkesbury Literacy Council. He would like this reason included in the Special Town Council minutes, September 20, 2011 minutes.

Councilor M. MacIver requested information regarding the request for funding from Christena Goyetche re FEIS. Erin MacEachen spoke with the Port Hawkesbury Literacy Council Coordinator. As treasurer, Ms. MacEachen cautioned that the Town of Port Hawkesbury was in a different financial situation; but that she would bring the request before Town Council. Ms. MacEachen did not speak personally with Ms. Goyetche nor indicate that Town Council would not be supportive of the funding request.

Page 3: Item iii. – Nova Scotia 55+ Games

Councilor K. Anderson stated that Mayor MacLean recommended to table this item and that Council agreed.

MOVED by Councilor H. MacDougall, and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver “That Town Council accept the changes to the minutes of Special Town Council – September 6, 2011; Regular Council – September 6, 2011; and Special Town Council – September 20, 2011”. MOTION CARRIED.

e) Town Council Committee of the Whole – September 20, 2011

MOVED by Deputy Mayor J. King, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall “That the Town Council Committee of the Whole minutes be approved”. MOTION CARRIED.

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

6. PROCLAMATIONS / DECLARATIONS/ SPECIAL NOTICES

a) Proclamation – Canada World Youth Week

MOVED by Councilor M. MacIver, and SECONDED by Councilor K. Anderson “That Town Council accept and proclaim October 17 – 23, 2011, Canada World Youth Week for Port Hawkesbury, Nova Scotia”. MOTION CARRIED.

b) Proclamation – Antigonish SPCA Day

MOVED by Councilor K. Anderson, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall “That Town Council accepts October 29, 2011 as Antigonish SPCA Day”. MOTION CARRIED.

7. CORRESPONDENCE

No correspondence was received.

8. RESOLUTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

a) Chapter 80 Quit Claim Deed – Bernard Street

Councilor Anderson declared a conflict of interest as his brother was a land surveyor on this project. Maris Freimanis, C.A.O., stated that typically Chapter 80 deeds reverse some of the oversize right ways on streets and that Council made a policy with regard to supporting Chapter 80 deeds. He requested a motion of Town Council to both accept the request for Chapter 80 Deed – Estate of Carol Boers, Bernard Street, a, to authorize the Mayor and CAO to sign the necessary documents.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor J. King, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall “That Town Council both approves the request for Chapter 80 Quit Claim Deed – Bernard Street, and authorizes the Mayor and CAO to sign the necessary documents”. MOTION CARRIED.

b) First Reading – Omnibus Repeal By-Law

MOVED by Council H. MacDougall, and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver “That Town Council approve First Reading – Omnibus Repeal By-Law”. MOTION CARRIED.

Upon motion, Larry Evans, Town Solicitor, stated the First Reading – Omnibus Repeal By-Law will be revisited at the next regular Council meeting for public input; and that advertising will be done this month with a second and final meeting to be held in November.

c) First Reading – By-Law Respecting Firearms

Councilor K. Anderson asked Larry Evans, Town Solicitor if compressed air guns; pellet guns; crossbows and BB guns were covered in this or another By-Law. If not, could he prepare a draft By-Law for Town Council consideration. Town Council discussed regulating compressed air guns; pellet guns; crossbows, BB guns as a separate By-Law.

MOVED by Deputy Mayor J. King, and SECONDED by Councilor M. MacIver “That Town Council approve First Reading – By-Law Respecting Firearms”. MOTION CARRIED.

MOVED by Councilor K. Anderson, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall “That Town Council approve the investigation and drafting a By-Law for compressed air guns; pellet guns; crossbows; BB guns for Council consideration”. MOTION CARRIED.

9. OTHER BUSINESS

There was no business arising from the Minutes.

10. APPROVED ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

- a) Councilor K. Anderson requested to have Committees of Council included on the next Committee of the Whole agenda, October 17, 2011. Town Council agreed to this request.

11. OTHER

- b) Lynn Coady – Short-listed for Scotiabank Giller Prize
c) Darryl Beaton – Named District Policing Officer of Northeast Nova Scotia


Councilor H. MacDougall inquired if congratulatory letters were sent to Lynn Coady and Darrell Beaton. Confirmation was provided that these letters were mailed October 14, 2011 and that copies will be distributed to the Councilors.

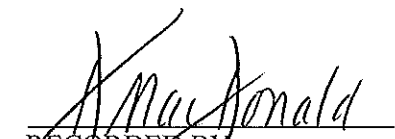
MOVED by Councilor H. MacDougall, and SECONDED by Councilor K. Anderson “That Town Council sends letters of congratulations to Lynn Coady and Darryl Beaton”. MOTION CARRIED.

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED by Councilor M. MacIver, and SECONDED by Councilor H. MacDougall “That Town Council adjourns the meeting at 7:35 p.m”. MOTION CARRIED.

Feb 16, 2012
DATE


APPROVED BY:


RECORDED BY:
D. MacDonald