

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Special Council meeting convened 6:35 pm via Zoom Teleconferencing on the above date. Mayor James Ryan presiding.

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor Nadine LeBlanc; Councillors Dan Currie, Melinda MacKenzie and Shawn McNamara

ALSO PRESENT: Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

ABSENT WITH REGRETS: Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

2. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

Acknowledgement was made Town Council was meeting in the unceded territory of Mi'kma'ki.

3. PRESENTATION – NORTHERN PULP RE-START

Dale Paterson – Northern Pulp and Graham Kissack – Paper Excellence made a presentation to Town Council on the Northern Pulp Re-start Plan. Holly Palmer, an appointed monitor was also present. Some of the questions asked included:

- Do you consider the Town a stakeholder?
- Do the majority of members of the Environmental Liaison Committee have a vested interest in the mill re-opening?
- Has Northern Pulp met with other key stakeholders?
- What work has been done with Pictou Landing First Nation and other Indigenous partners?
- Are fishermen from the Friends of Northumberland Strait on the Liaison Committee?
- Which municipalities have councillors that sit on the Liaison Committee?
- What has changed that there is enough water going into the harbour now compared to 2017?
- What chemicals can affect fish life?
- How was the likelihood of a closure of the mill communicated to employees?
- Is the proposal a reverse osmosis system?
- Where else is this proposed system in place?
- What fines were issued to the BC sister plant?
- What are the significant changes to the proposal?
- Is the parent company paying full cost of \$350M refit?
- Will the pension be covered for previous employees?
- Why weren't these technologies presented 24 months ago?
- Who makes the decision on the operating permit?

At this point, Mr. Paterson and Mr. Kissack left the meeting.

Marshall Bateman and Kim Maclaughlin, Environmental Liaison Committee (ELC) members extended an offer to Council to sit on the committee or provide input at any time.

- Question on whether anyone is being paid to sit on the ELC

4. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:40 pm.

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Kyle Slaunwhite
CAO