

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Committee of Council meeting convened 6:30 pm in the Town Council Chambers on the above date. Mayor Joseph Hawes presiding.

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Lynn Vigneault; and Councillors Bob Naylor, Cam Beaton, Alta Munroe

**ALSO PRESENT:** Scott Conrod, CAO  
Cpl. Shawn Reynolds, RCMP

### **CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Hawes called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

### **DEPARTMENTAL AND STANDING REPORTS**

#### **R.C.M.P. PICTOU DETACHMENT**

The monthly report was included in the Committee package. Cpl. Reynolds was in attendance and reviewed the report.

The Mayor and Councillors Munroe and Naylor relayed positive feedback they received in regards to response time and RCMP presence.

#### **FIRE DEPARTMENT**

The monthly report was included within the Committee package. The Committee reviewed the Chief's report date February 4, 2013.

### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### **Review of Draft Application to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board – Water Rate Increase**

Committee reviewed a first draft (dated January 31, 2013) proposed submission to the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (NSUARB).

The Committee noted that the financing component needed to be adjusted back to reflect the use of a minimal amount gas tax for phase 1 capital costs as previously agreed to by Council.

A second meeting is to be convened to review a staff recommendation report specific to the financing of phase 2 capital costs. Scenarios to be presented/discussed are to include: the impact on rates and debt ratios of financing 17% of phase 2 capital costs through long-term debt versus requesting NSUARB approval of a phase 2 capital cost contribution as part of the above noted submission.

**ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED: B. Naylor  
SECONDED: L. Vigneault  
MOTION: That the meeting adjourn.  
MOTION CARRIED.

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APPROVED

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Joseph F. Hawes  
Mayor

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Scott W. Conrod  
CAO