

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Conrod, CAO
Bronwyn Duffy, Town Solicitor
Paul Janes, Fire Chief
Michelle Young, Recreation Programmer
Cpl. Shaun Reynolds, RCMP Pictou
Jo-Anne McNamara, Meeting Recorder

REGRETS: Jim Chisholm, Superintendent Public Works
Eldon MacDonald, Town Accountant

CALL TO ORDER

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

PRIVATE SESSION (5:00 pm)

RECONVENE – APPROVAL OF PUBLIC AGENDA (6:30 pm)

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: C. Beaton

COC-03-04-13-1019

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

RECOMMENDATIONS – PRIVATE SESSION

Contract/Solicitor Matters

Mayor Hawes reported that there were no recommendations from private session but Council had given instruction to staff on contract matters.

DELEGATION – DECOSTE ENTERTAINMENT SOCIETY

Two delegates from the deCoste Entertainment Board, Chair Wayne MacGillivray and Manager Darlene MacDonald, made a presentation to Council which included the following items:

- partnership agreement with the Town and County ends March 31, 2013
- John Meir retired after 30 years of service and on behalf of the Society he was thanked for his years of service
- development of a Business Plan and items that were and will be improved
- at the present time usage of the Centre is 27% Pictou residents, 13% outside of the county and 60% county and surrounding area

Mayor Hawes thanked Wayne and Darlene for the presentation and commended them on their presentation.

R.C.M.P. PICTOU DETACHMENT

The monthly report was included in the Council package. Cpl. Shaun Reynolds briefly reviewed the report, informed Council that there would be a MOCK scenario at the Northumberland High School during March Break and the RCMP will be stepping up their patrol on cell phone usage while driving and traffic control this month.

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Paul Janes, Fire Chief, presented a report for the Fire Department that included the following items:

- Training – training has been scheduled to emphasis on Level II certification for members taking Level I and they have re certified their ice rescue
- Fire Fighting Equipment – sponsorship to EHS for financial support for the MFR equipment has been sent and waiting approval
- Building Maintenance – CEF has completed work on the fire hall, Fire Marshall's office is looking at a fire alarm system to be installed and upgrades to the kitchen need to be done in order to meet EMO requirements
- Up and Coming – nothing to report

PUBLIC WORKS

There was no written report from Public Works.

RECREATION AND PARKS

The Recreation Programmer's report was given to Council prior to the meeting. Included in the were updates on Pictou Aquatics, Community and Volunteer Development, Marketing & Communications, Community Pride, Organizational Development and various information on Active Pictou County.

Mayor Hawes thanked M. Young for her support with the Candle Vigil for the Fishermen of Woods Harbour.

CAO

- CAO Conrod congratulated staff member Kyle Slaunwhite for recently receiving his Professional Engineering Designation
- Blake MacDonald, P. Eng. has been contracted to help K. Slaunwhite with a system assessment review for the water utility which is due the end of March. Mr. MacDonald will also assist with several other Town projects.
- The Occupational Health & Safety Committee has met twice since Council's last meeting and is presently in the process of reviewing the 22 elements in the manual.

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES**Draft Noise By-Law**

MOVED: B. Naylor *COC-03-04-13-1020*
SECONDED: A. Munroe

MOTION: That Council at their next meeting review an updated Draft Noise By-Law.
MOTION CARRIED.

Draft Off Highway Vehicle By-law

MOVED: C. Beaton *COC-03-04-13-1021*
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

MOTION: That Council at their next meeting review an updated Draft Off Highway Vehicle By-Law.
MOTION CARRIED.

NEW BUSINESS**Variance Report – January 31, 2013**

A detailed variance report up to the end of January 31, 2013 was included in the Council package. The report is forecasting a deficit of \$13,400.

Inter-municipal Services Agreement – Active Pictou County

MOVED: A. Munroe *COC-03-04-13-1022*
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

MOTION: To recommend that Council approve the draft Inter-Municipal Service Agreement between the Town of Pictou and the five other municipalities in Pictou County in regards to Active Pictou County.
MOTION CARRIED.

CORRESPONDANCE - none

Mayor Hawes congratulated Anne Emmett and the Hector Quay Society on the site being selected for filming parts of the movie “Amazing Grace” in May of this year.

PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

None

ADJOURNMENT

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

COC-03-04-13-1023

APPROVED

Joseph F. Hawes
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO