

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

SEPTEMBER 16, 2013

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

PRESENT: Deputy Mayor L. Vigneault; Councillors A. Munroe, C. Beaton and B. Naylor

ALSO PRESENT: Scott Conrod, CAO
Nicole MacDonald Battist, Deputy Clerk, Meeting Recorder

1 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Hawes called the meeting to order.

2 APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: C. Beaton
SECONDED: B. Naylor

RTC- 09-16-13-1122

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the following additions:
5.c – UNSM Resolution from Town of New Glasgow
MOTION CARRIED.

3 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Regular Council – June 17, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: A. Munroe

RTC- 09-16-13-1123

MOTION: That the Regular Council minutes of June 17, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

b. Pictou Recreation and Parks – June 25, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1124

MOTION: That the Pictou Recreation and Parks minutes of June 25, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

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c. Planning Advisory Committee – July 2, 2013

MOVED: A. Munroe
SECONDED: B. Naylor

RTC- 09-16-13-1125

MOTION: That the Planning Advisory minutes of July 2, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

d. Special Council – July 2, 2013

MOVED: A. Munroe
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1126

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of July 2, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

e. Special Council – July 29, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1127

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of July 29, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

f. Special Council – August 1, 2013

MOVED: C. Beaton
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1128

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 1, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

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g. Special Council – August 2, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1129

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 2, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

h. Special Council – August 7, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC- 09-16-13-1130

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 7, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

i. Special Council – August 9, 2013

MOVED: L. Vigneault
SECONDED: C. Beaton

RTC- 09-16-13-1131

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 9, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

j. Special Council – August 14, 2013

MOVED: A. Munroe
SECONDED: B. Naylor

RTC- 09-16-13-1132

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 14, 2013 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED.

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k. Special Council – August 22, 2013

MOVED: B. Naylor
 SECONDED: C. Beaton

RTC- 09-16-13-1133

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 22, 2013 be approved as circulated.
 MOTION CARRIED.

l. Special Council – August 26, 2013

MOVED: A. Munroe
 SECONDED: B. Naylor

RTC- 09-16-13-1134

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of August 26, 2013 be approved as circulated.
 MOTION CARRIED.

4 BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTESa. Appointment of Planning Advisory Chair

MOVED: B. Naylor
 SECONDED: C. Beaton

RTC-09-16-13-1135

MOTION: That Council approve the appointment of Deputy Mayor Lynn Vigneault as chair of the Planning Advisory Committee.
 MOTION CARRIED.

b. Land Use By-Law and Municipal Planning Strategy Amendments

Discussion was tabled at this time as a new Land Use By-Law is being drafted that will include consideration of these amendments.

c. R-5 Pre-Zoning

MOVED: B. Naylor
 SECONDED: L. Vigneault

RTC-09-16-13-1136

MOTION: To approve the recommendation to Council to authorize the commencement of a public participation program designed to amend the Generalized Future Land Use Map to incorporate a future R-5 zone(s).
 MOTION CARRIED.

d. Menu Board Signage

MOVED: L. Vigneault *RTC-09-16-13-1137*
 SECONDED: C. Beaton

MOTION: To approve the recommendation to Council to proceed to first reading on amendments to enable Menu Board Signage as detailed within the attached June 26, 2013 Technical Report.
 MOTION CARRIED.

e. DEANS Funding Requests

MOVED: A. Munroe *RTC-09-16-13-1138*
 SECONDED: C. Beaton

MOTION: That Council request additional information from DEANS prior to providing an Agreement in Principle, namely accounting and reporting mechanisms being proposed, and the execution of alternative core funding formulas that pertain to municipal units.
 MOTION CARRIED.

f. Stand Pipe Rehabilitation Tender Award

MOVED: L. Vigneault *RTC-09-16-13-1139*
 SECONDED: B. Naylor

MOTION: To approve the recommendation to Council to engage JCDMI at a cost of \$567,584.80 (HST included) to sandblast the inside and outside of the stand pipe.
 MOTION CARRIED.

5 NEW BUSINESSa. Municipal Alcohol Project

Correspondence was received from Addiction Services outlining a proposal for a Pictou County Municipal Alcohol Project to investigate, understand and communicate how alcohol related knowledge and research can be relevant and actionable at the municipal level. They are applying for funding under the Mental Health and Addictions Strategy to implement this project. They are looking for a letter of support and a representative to sit on the Community Action Team.

Council agreed to provide a letter of support for the project. Councillor Alta Munroe agreed to sit on the committee.

b. Reduction in Taxes due to Property Destruction Request

MOVED: L. Vigneault *RTC-09-16-13-1140*
 SECONDED: B. Naylor

MOTION: To approve the recommendation to Council to authorize staff to pro-rate the taxes on this property effective June 18, 2013 (the date of the fire) to March 31, 2014.
 MOTION CARRIED.

c. UNSM Resolution from Town of New Glasgow

MOVED: L. Vigneault *RTC-09-16-13-1141*
 SECONDED: A. Munroe

MOTION: To support the Town of New Glasgow resolution to recommend that provincial legislation on disqualified persons be amended from anyone who “has been convicted of any corrupt practice or bribery contrary to this Act within five years preceding nomination day” to anyone that has been convicted of any “serious criminal offense”.
 MOTION CARRIED

6 CORRESPONDENCEa. Northern Pulp Mill Resolution

An email was received asking Council to adopt a supportive resolution concerning odourous emissions, and the economic compromise associated with the operation of Northern Pulp.

In lieu of adopting the resolution, Council agreed to write a letter concerning Northern Pulp Mill to Provincial Officials.

b. Pictou County Health Authority

Tabled for information purposes

c. The Honourable John MacDonell

Correspondence was received from the Honourable John MacDonell notifying Council of the decision by Service NS and Municipal Relations to provide funding for the Town of Pictou’s Water Utility Upgrades through the Provincial Capital Assistance Program (PCAP). 50% of eligible costs up to a maximum of \$250,000 will be contributed.

7 PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

A question was asked about the status of the Rotary Development.

Comment was made on a desire to see improvements made at Northern Pulp.

A question was asked about why water meters are being installed before water improvements are made.

8 ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: A. Munroe

RTC-06-17-13-1142

SECONDED: B. Naylor

MOTION: That the meeting adjourn at 7:18 pm.
MOTION CARRIED.

APPROVED

Joseph F. Hawes
Mayor

Scott W. Conrod
CAO