

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

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

ALSO PRESENT: Michelle Young, Recreation
Jim Chisholm, Public Works
Paul Janes, Fire Department
Cst. Murphy, RCMP
Nicole MacDonald Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

REGRETS: Scott Conrod, CAO

1. PRIVATE SESSION – PERSONNEL AND PROPERTY MATTERS (5:30 pm)

2. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

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

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: DM Munroe

COC-05-04-15-1480

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

4. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. RCMP

The monthly report was circulated prior to the meeting. There were no questions for Cst. Murphy.

b. CAO

The CAO report was circulated prior to the meeting. N. Battist also provided detail on the offsite signage program.

- Question on when year-end may be complete.

c. Fire Department

The report was provided in Council's package.

- Question on repairs to bunker gear – they are professional cleaned annually to decrease chances of getting cancer from the gear.
- Question on issue with front doors not opening.

d. Public Works

The report was provided in Council’s package.

- Question on low water levels – Public Works staff believe there is an unknown water leak and continue to investigate
- Council would like to have a discussion with staff prior to this year’s budget deliberations to discuss equipment, and repairs to roads and sidewalks

e. Recreation & Parks

Michelle Young reviewed highlights from the past month and upcoming work.

- 110 attendees at Volunteer Ceremony
- Working on pre-season setup of parks and fields, breakwater repairs, facility access grants
- There is an opportunity for local musicians to play onboard overnight cruise visits this year
- Question on Men’s Ball and beautification of Market Square

f. Variance Report

Not available

5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

a. Spring Cleanup 2015

MOVED: C. Beaton
SECONDED: DM Munroe

COC-05-04-15-1481

MOTION: To recommend that Council continue with the Spring Cleanup for 2015.
MOTION DEFEATED

N. Battist to follow up on unsightly property on Veterans Drive.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Recommendations from Private Session

Mayor Hawes stated that the Province of Nova Scotia has confirmed its offer for the roundabout project but is unable to publicly disclose the details at this time.

Several instructions were provided to staff related to personnel and property matters.

b. Workplace Wellness Program

MOVED: L. Vigneault
SECONDED: C. Beaton

COC-05-04-15-1482

MOTION: To recommend that Council at their next regular meeting approve authorizing staff to include estimates of a Wellness Program for Council, fulltime and seasonal staff which includes free access to aquatic and recreation fitness programs and swims offered by the Town; and a financial incentive of up to \$150 per year for physical activity membership fees and equipment; part-time and casual employees would receive free access to all fitness programs and swims

MOTION CARRIED

7. CORRESPONDENCE

None

8. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

Question on options to have the garbage cleaned up on the previously mentioned Veterans Drive property.

9. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: B. Naylor
SECONDED: C. Beaton

COC-05-04-15-1483

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

Joseph F. Hawes
Mayor

Nicole Battist
Deputy Clerk