

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

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Dan Currie; Councillors Eric Daley,  
Malcolm Houser and Nadine LeBlanc

**ALSO PRESENT:** Scott Conrod, CAO  
Nicole Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

**1. PRIVATE SESSION – CONTRACT AND SOLICITOR MATTERS (5:30 PM)**

**2. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER (6:30)**

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

**3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOVED: DM Currie *RTC-04-24-17-1843*  
SECONDED: E Daley

MOTION: To approve the agenda as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. Regular Council – March 20, 2017

MOVED: M Houser *RTC-04-24-17-1844*  
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

MOTION: That the Regular Council Minutes of March 20, 2017 be approved as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED

b. Parks and Recreation – March 30, 2017

MOVED: N. LeBlanc *RTC-04-24-17-1845*  
SECONDED: DM Currie

MOTION: That the Parks and Recreation Committee minutes of March 30, 2017 be approved with one correction – Michelle Young chaired the meeting.  
MOTION CARRIED

c. Committee of Council – April 3, 2017

MOVED: DM Currie *RTC-04-24-17-1846*  
SECONDED: M Houser

MOTION: That the Committee of Council minutes of April 3, 2017 be approved as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED

d. Special Council – April 3, 2017

MOVED: M. Houser  
SECONDED: E Daley

***RTC-04-24-17-1847***

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of April 3, 2017 be approved as circulated.  
MOTION CARRIED

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

a. Purchasing and Tender Policy Approval

MOVED: M Houser  
SECONDED: DM Currie

***RTC-04-24-17-1848***

MOTION: To adopt the Purchasing and Tender Policy.  
MOTION CARRIED

b. Meeting Date – Integrated Community Sustainability Plan (ICSP)

As a reminder, the next ICSP meeting will be held May 4th at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers.

c. Commercial Assessment Phase-In By-Law Public Input Meeting

As a reminder, this meeting is scheduled for April 27th at 6:30 pm in Council Chambers.

d. Quarry Pond Lease

The Mayor reviewed the suggested terms should the Town enter into an agreement with the Lions Club.

MOVED: DM Currie  
SECONDED: E Daley

***RTC-04-24-17-1849***

MOTION: That Council approve the Terms presented for a proposed lease with the Lions Club.  
MOTION CARRIED

e. Request for Proposal Issuance Commercial Highway Zone Development

MOVED: DM Currie  
SECONDED: E. Daley

***RTC-04-24-17-1850***

MOTION: That Council approve the release of a Request for Proposals regarding the sale and development of Lots A & B.  
MOTION CARRIED

f. Economic Profile Western Pictou County

This document was shared with Council for their information. DM Currie commented on the professionalism of the document.

g. Fire Department – Purchase of Rescue Vehicle

MOVED: DM Currie  
SECONDED: M Houser

***RTC-04-24-17-1851***

MOTION: To approve that a Bill of Sale be prepared for the purchase of a used rescue vehicle from the Northfield Volunteer Fire Dept.  
MOTION CARRIED

h. Water Utility Central Treatment Plant and Pressure Zone Installations Location

MOVED: E Daley  
SECONDED: M Houser

***RTC-04-24-17-1852***

MOTION: To approve the school site for the Water Treatment Facility.  
MOTION CARRIED

i. Wellfield Environmental Liability Insurance

For Council’s information, documentation was dispersed related to the terms for the Wellfield Environment Liability Insurance.

j. Cruise Ship Trade Show

MOVED: N LeBlanc  
SECONDED: M Houser

***RTC-04-24-17-1853***

MOTION: To approve the Recreation Coordinator’s attendance at the Canada New England Cruise Symposium in Montreal from June 13-15, 2017.  
MOTION CARRIED

k. Spring Cleanup

The Spring Cleanup Ad was shared with Council.

MOVED: M Houser  
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

***RTC-04-24-17-1854***

MOTION: To approve a 2017 Spring Cleanup for the Town.  
MOTION CARRIED

**6. REPORTS**

a. Municipal Corporations Report

i. Pictou County Wellness Centre

Minutes were provided for information purposes. A new facilities management review team has been formed. Alta Munroe has been appointed to the committee.

ii. Pictou County Shared Services

An RFP is being developed for solicitor services. One Collective Agreement was recently negotiated, while another is being worked on.

**7. RECOMMENDATIONS /REPORTS FROM PRIVATE SESSION**

Lot C – Proposed Option Agreement with Parsons Development

MOVED: N LeBlanc

***RTC-04-24-17-1855***

SECONDED: M Houser

MOTION: To authorize the Mayor and CAO to enter into an Option Agreement with Parsons Development on Lot C, without limitation, the terms of the Agreement to include:

- Two-year term
- In the event they receive a bonafide offer, the Town would convey lot C provided that:
  - i. Parson’s pays the Town the appraised value of the land
  - ii. The Town has the right to refuse sale in the event Council does not agree with the proposed development
  - iii. No land banking
  - iv. Must be in compliance with Town’s Land Use and Sub-Division By-Laws

MOTION CARRIED

**8. NEW BUSINESS**

a. Provincial Capital Assistance Program application

The Town submitted an application to the Province to assist with the water treatment plant project; Council must approve the submitting of the application.

MOVED: E. Daley

***RTC-04-24-17-1856***

SECONDED: DM Currie

MOTION: To approve the submission of an application to the Provincial Capital Assistance Program dated April 17, 2017 related to the Town’s Water Utilities.

MOTION CARRIED

b. Public Spaces By-Law (Busking)

MOVED: N. LeBlanc

***RTC-04-24-17-1857***

SECONDED: M. Houser

MOTION: For Council to proceed with amending the Town’s Public Spaces By-Law to specifically define busking and to introduce a provision that provides for specific licensing and associated fees related to busking.

MOTION CARRIED

c. Proclamation – Volunteer Week

The Mayor indicated that a proclamation was previously held regarding Volunteer Week at the last Mayors and Warden Meeting.

d. Proclamation – MORE

The Mayor informed Council that a proclamation was also issued related to the Marathon of Respect and Equality (MORE). The run will be held on May 4th this year.

e. Town of Pictou Volunteer of the Year – Allison Arseneault

The Town of Pictou Volunteer of the Year is Allison Arseneault. She was nominated by the Pictou Garden Club, but is involved with several organizations.

f. Westray Wall of Remembrance

The Town will be contributing towards paying for this memorial wall and event.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE**

None

**10. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

- Question on Quarry Pond lease
- Question on Lot C Option Agreement
- Question on ATV usage along Jitney Trail

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

MOVED: N. LeBlanc  
SECONDED: DM Currie

***RTC-04-24-17-1858***

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned at 7:50 pm.  
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Scott W. Conrod  
CAO