

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Committee of 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: Dan Troke, CAO
Michelle Young, Recreation Coordinator
Kyle Slaunwhite, Project Manager
Cpl Greg Deagle, RCMP
Paul Janes, Fire Chief

ABSENT: Corey Smith, Town Accountant
Jim Chisholm, Public Works
Nicole Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

1. PRIVATE SESSION – PERSONAL MATTERS (6:00 PM)

2. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: DM Currie

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MOTION: To approve the agenda with one deletion:
4a. DEANS Presentation
MOTION CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS

a. DEANS – Cindy MacKinnon
DEANS had to cancel their presentation due to a conflict.

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

b. Fire Department
Fire Chief Janes was on hand to answer questions.

- Question on brush fires
- Question on whether monthly statistics include mutual aid calls
- Question on apparatus equipment and checks
- Question on what occurs if there is an equipment pump failure

c. RCMP

Cpl Deagle highlighted the following/responded to questions:

- RCMP responded to 130 files this year, down from 173 last year
- Pictou Lobster Carnival went well with no major incidents; MADD, Fire Department and RCMP conducted joint check points with over 200 vehicles
- Land & Sea Rally went without incident
- Looking at reorganizing Council report
- Question on whether signage is needed for handicapped parking
- Question on intersection at Front, Coleraine and Water Streets – some options will be tabled at the September Committee meeting

d. Public Works Department

- Not available

e. Recreation & Parks

- Question on installation of a gate at Market Wharf
- Question about expanding Summer Musical Showcase into September
- Question on why the pool is not open weekends and evenings during summer months

f. Project Management

Kyle Slaunwhite provided updates on the water treatment plant and pumping stations schedule; sidewalk, water main and other capital projects; and the water rate hearing which will be held in the middle of October. He also answered questions on the following:

- Pine Tree Road service extension
- whether Naylor Avenue will be paved
- water levels in standpipe

A suggestion was made that capital projects plans could be promoted on website.

6. APPOINTMENT COMMITTEES

a. Pictou Lobster Carnival – N LeBlanc

- Observation that Carnival numbers are up

b. Pictou-Antigonish Regional Library (PARL) – DM Currie

- Library Board met in June
- Ended with small surplus; applied towards long term debt
- Board passed budget
- Librarians are well educated but receive a minimum rate; Province has not yet put a priority on this
- Services at Library continue to grow

c. Municipal Alcohol Project (MAP) – DM Currie

- Reviewing results of intergenerational forum
- July 24 – Community Discussion on Cannabis regulation at Glasgow Square

d. McCulloch House Museum & Genealogy

- Held AGM; strong financial position

- Increase in visitation
 - Official HAGGIS site
 - Tartan Day well attended
 - Tours on the waterfront are free
- e. PC Sports Heritage Hall of Fame – E Daley
- CAO Brian White will be presenting long-term sustainable plan to CAOs
 - New volunteers have come onboard
 - Succession committee on hold
- f. Hector Heritage Quay – M Houser
- June attendance higher than previous year
 - AGM held
 - September 14 – Golf Tournament
 - Beer Market opening
- g. Riverview Home Corporation – M Houser
- New CEO hired
 - Minister of Community Services toured facility
- h. Pictou Business – M Houser
- Façade Program up and running
 - Motorcycle Show sponsor
 - 30 brochures
 - AGM held last Wednesday; Eva Sutherland new president
- i. deCoste Entertainment Centre
- AGM tonight

7. RECOMMENDATIONS FROM PRIVATE SESSION

- a. Construction Engineering Flight (CEF) Community Advisory Board Chair
Community Advisory Board Chair Lawrence LeBlanc is stepping down after several years of service. Parties interested in the opening are encouraged to forward their names to the Town.

8. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

- a. Former Pictou Academy Building – Expression of Interest (EOI)
The EOI has been posted on the Provincial Procurement and Town website. Submissions should be submitted as soon as possible.

DM Currie recognized the efforts of public works staff for the work completed at the PA grounds.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Vendor's By-Law

Mayor Ryan indicated the Town's desire to review the existing by-law that covers food trucks – Auctioneers, Peddlers, Hawkers and Traders of Goods By-law. Staff were instructed to prepare amendments that considered the licensing process, fee structure and other relevant provisions. In the meantime, staff are further instructed to prepare an interim procedure whereby a vendor can select any five days throughout the year that they can vend for the price of the current week fee.

10. CORRESPONDENCE

None

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- Question on pump house delay
- Question on boundaries of marijuana shops and whether Municipal Alcohol Project (MAP) is involved
- Question on whether intersection of Cedar and Oak could be paved if extra money available

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: DM Currie

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SECONDED: M Houser

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Dan Troke
CAO