

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: Kyle Slaunwhite, Project Manager
Corey Smith, Town Accountant
Dan Troke, CAO
Nicole Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: N LeBlanc *RTC-05-14-18-2117*
SECONDED: M Houser

MOTION: To approve the agenda with the following additions:
6c. PCAP Application
10a. Rotary Club of Pictou
MOTION CARRIED

3. PRESENTATIONS

a. Water Rate Model

Blaine Rooney and Gerry Isenor were hired to complete a water rate study for the Town of Pictou Water Utility. The Water Utility is owned by the Town of Pictou; however, water rates are approved by the Nova Scotia Utility and Review Board (NSUARB).

MOVED: M Houser *RTC-05-14-18-2118*
SECONDED: DM Currie

MOTION: To accept the study as presented and advance it to NSUARB.
MOTION CARRIED

4. PROCLAMATIONS

a. Gaelic Nova Scotia Month – May 2018

MOVED: N LeBlanc *RTC-05-14-18-2119*
SECONDED: E Daley

MOTION: That May 2018 be proclaimed Gaelic Awareness Month in Pictou.
MOTION CARRIED

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Recreation and Parks – March 28, 2018

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-14-18-2120

MOTION: That the Recreation and Parks minutes of March 28, 2018 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

b. Public Hearing – April 23, 2018

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: E Daley

RTC-05-14-18-2121

MOTION: That the Public Hearing minutes of April 23, 2018 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

c. Regular Council – April 23, 2018

MOVED: N LeBlanc
SECONDED: M Houser

RTC-05-14-18-2122

MOTION: That the Regular Council minutes of April 23, 2018 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

d. Committee of Council – May 7, 2018

MOVED: DM Currie
SECONDED: E Daley

RTC-05-14-18-2123

MOTION: That the Committee of Council minutes of May 7, 2018 be approved as circulated with the following change to 6a:
That Council at their next regular meeting approve that the Deed Transfer Tax pay the Town of Pictou’s share of the expense related to this Access Road, so long as all six municipalities contribute and all members of the Deed Transfer Tax agree.
MOTION CARRIED

e. Special Council – May 7, 2018

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-14-18-2124

MOTION: That the Special Council minutes of May 7, 2018 be approved as circulated.
MOTION CARRIED

6. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

a. Aberdeen Hospital Emergency Access Road COC-05-07-18-2111

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: DM Currie

RTC-05-14-18-2125

MOTION: To approve that the Deed Transfer Tax pay the Town of Pictou's share of the expense related to this Access Road, so long as all six municipalities contribute and all members of the Deed Transfer Tax agree.

MOTION CARRIED
2 Nays – M Houser; N LeBlanc

b. Visitor Information Centre (VIC) Building and Land Purchase – COC-05-07-18-2112

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-14-18-2126

MOTION: To approve the purchase of the building known as the VIC and surrounding land (being a portion of PID #65094971) for \$1 plus survey and appraisal fees.

MOTION CARRIED

c. Provincial Capital Assistance Program (PCAP) Application

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-14-18-2127

MOTION: That Town Council authorize the submission of a PCAP application requesting \$200,000 for extending sewer services along Pine Tree Road.

MOTION CARRIED

7. REPORTS

a. Municipal Corporations Reports:

i. Pictou County Wellness Centre

March 19 minutes and a brief report on today's meeting were circulated.

ii. Pictou County Shared Services Authority

No meetings held in the past month.

8. RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORTS FROM PRIVATE SESSION

None

9. NEW BUSINESS

None

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Rotary Club of Pictou

The Club would like to install a kindness metre within Town limits – donations are dropped in the metre and used for community initiatives. There was consensus among Council to support this idea; the Rotary Club will be directed to discuss a location with staff.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- Comment that some lights could be shut off at night at the PC Wellness Centre
- Question on private businesses using water directly from hydrants
- Question on water quality of water after treatment plant is operating
- Question on who pays for water when there are water breaks

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: N LeBlanc

RTC-05-14-18-2128

MOTION: That the meeting be adjourned at 8:00 pm.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Dan Troke
CAO