

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Committee of Council meeting convened 6:30 pm in the Murray Room – deCoste Centre on the above date. Mayor James Ryan presiding.

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

ALSO PRESENT: Dan Troke, CAO
Michelle Young, Recreation
Cpl Greg Deagle, RCMP
Paul Janes, Fire Chief
Nicole Battist, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

ABSENT: Jonathan Daye, Town Accountant
Kyle Slaunwhite, Public Works

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

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

Mayor Ryan called the meeting to order.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: D Currie

COC-10-07-19-2316

MOTION: To approve the agenda with two additions:
9c Hector Arena Funding
10a Construction Methodology and Design Report of Effluent Pipeline by Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solutions (Re: Northern Pulp)
MOTION CARRIED

4. PRESENTATIONS

None

5. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS

a. Fire Department

Fire Chief Janes presented his report.

- Question on one of the fire trucks
- Mayor Ryan commented that the Fire Truck Parade on Saturday was impressive in the dark
- Question about activities for Fire Prevention Week: Going to schools on Wednesday for fire drill and Thursday at the local daycare

b. RCMP

Cpl Deagle reported call volume is down slightly because of parking issues mainly from last year.

- Proactive activity has been a focus this past month
- Complement of seven full-time members to date, this fiscal year
- Boat still in water for water calls
- No issues of note from hurricane
- Question on suspension duration for impairment

c. Administrative

Deputy Clerk Battist highlighted the report.

- Question on Tax Sale
- Question on why Council meeting is at deCoste – water damage in Council Chambers
- Question on Group Pension Plan

d. Public Works

Kyle Slaunwhite is away at a conference. The report was presented by CAO Troke.

- Question on grit chamber installation date
- Question about paving date on Martha Street
- Question about street paving
- Question about patching hole on High Street

e. Recreation & Parks

Michelle Young was on hand to report on her monthly activity.

- Hosted High School Regionals for 5 teams at CN Ballfield
- 80% full at marina this year
- Awarded RFP for design portion of the skatepark
- Councilor comment that a good job was done to flower beds this year
- First wedding held at Market Square this summer
- Question on warning track at ballfield
- Question on marina contract
- Comment by school that CN was well prepared and maintained during regionals

f. Variance

Jonathan Daye was not available. The report was presented by CAO Troke.

- \$8,000 projected deficit
- Question on horticulture overage

6. APPOINTMENT COMMITTEES

a. Northumberland Fisheries Museum – N LeBlanc

- Closed September 27
- Beautiful rental space
- Open for special events this fall

- b. Heritage Advisory Committee – N LeBlanc
 - Met September 24 – focus has been updating bylaw
- c. Hector Quay Society, Riverview Home Corporation; Pictou Business and Marketing Society; deCoste Centre and Heritage Advisory Committee – M Houser

A written report was submitted.
- d. Pictou County Sport Heritage – E Daley
 - Summer Student for 12 wks
 - Advertised for a part-time coordinator
 - Induction Ceremony is October 19 from 2-4 pm in the Westville Gym; tickets are \$20
- e. Construction Engineering Flight (CEF) – E Daley
 - New OC Lieutenant Bolduc
 - Cpt Terrian has prioritized PC Trails, Trenton Park work, River John Legion, West Pictou Food Bank, Heatherbell’s Food Trailer and Pictou Island building
 - Recruitment is always an issue
 - Job Fair November 16
 - Ralph Heighton Award presented to Sgt Joe Wynans
- f. Regional Enterprise Network (REN) – D Currie
 - New version of Inter-Municipal Services Agreement (IMSA) will be brought forward – standardizes the agreement across the Province, but does not change the details
 - Strategic Plan RFP being released
 - Labour and Skills shortage
- g. Municipal Alcohol project (MAP) – D Currie
 - Meeting September 12
 - Alcohol Provincial Symposium in Amherst in November
 - Recognized Pictou Lobster Carnival as a champion in managing the event – safe and welcoming in relation to alcohol or non-alcohol events

7. BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES

None

8. RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORTS FROM PRIVATE SESSION

Mayor Ryan reported that two discussions related to procurement and contract matters took place.

- design and contract of gateway signage; and
- an Accessibility Committee will be established for the Town

9. NEW BUSINESS

a. Annual Update of Sewer Manual

MOVED: DM LeBlanc
SECONDED: E Daley

COC-10-07-19-2317

MOTION: For Council at their next Regular Meeting to approve the Annual Update of the Sewer Manual.
MOTION CARRIED

b. Annual Update of Water Manual

MOVED: M Houser
SECONDED: D Currie

COC-10-07-19-2318

MOTION: For Council at their next Regular Meeting to approve the Annual Update of the Water Manual.
MOTION CARRIED

c. Hector Arena Funding Request

MOVED: E Daley
SECONDED: D Currie

COC-10-07-19-2319

MOTION: For Council at their next Regular Meeting to provide an additional \$2000 to the Hector Arena in this fiscal year (\$10,000 was previously awarded during budget deliberations).
MOTION CARRIED

10. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Construction Methodology and Design Report of Effluent Pipeline by Wood Environment & Infrastructure Solution

Mayor Ryan reported that the Town received a hand delivered copy of the most recent construction and design report for the overland portion of the effluent pipe the day Northern Pulp submitted their updates to the Province. The Town will review Northern Pulp's submission to the Province and submit a response as part of the Provincial feedback process.

11. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

- Question about who will complete Ship Hector repairs/refit
- What is the Town's response to the pipe going through the Town's watershed?
- Question on whether Northern Pulp will make a future presentation to Council
- Question on where to get a copy of Northern Pulp report

12. ADJOURNMENT

MOVED: D Currie
SECONDED: E Daley

COC-10-07-19-2320

MOTION: To adjourn the meeting at 7:45 pm.
MOTION CARRIED

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Dan Troke
CAO