

Minutes of a Town of Pictou Committee of Council meeting convened at the CN Station – Council Chambers on the above date. Mayor James Ryan presiding.

**PRESENT:** Deputy Mayor Shawn McNamara; Councillors Dan Currie, Nadine LeBlanc and Melinda MacKenzie

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO  
Addie MacCallum, RCMP  
David Nicholson, Finance  
Michelle Young, Recreation  
Iain MacIsaac, Public Works  
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

**REGRETS:** Wayne Robinson, Fire Department

**1. PUBLIC SESSION – PUBLIC HEARING (6:30 pm)**

**2. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order.

**3. LAND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

It was acknowledged that Town Council was meeting in the unceded territory of Mi’kma’ki, the ancestral and unceded land of the Mi’kmaq people.

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: To approve the agenda with two additions:  
5a Comfort Centre Volunteers  
5f. Mi’kmaq History Month

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

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**5. PROCLAMATIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

a. Comfort Centre Volunteers

The Chair recognized the volunteers who operated comfort centres at the New Horizons and Volunteer Fire Department in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona.

b. Right to Know Week – September 26-October 2, 2022

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c. National Day of Truth and Reconciliation – September 30, 2022

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d. Waste Reduction Week – October 17-23, 2022

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- e. Small Business Week – October 16-22, 2022  
October 6-22 was recognized as Small Business Week.
- f. Mi’kmaq History Month – October  
Mi’kmaq History Month was recognized. Citizens are encouraged to learn more about this year’s theme, beadwork, which represents life and creation.

**6. DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS**

a. Fire Department

Fire Chief Paul Janes has completed his two terms with the department and was thanked for his service. Wayne Robinson is the newly appointed Fire Chief who began his tenure on October 1.

b. RCMP

- Question on what bylaws the RCMP enforce
- Question on how someone might be charged for noisy mufflers

Cpl William Diaczenko, RCMP Traffic Services, was on hand to provide a review of the services they provide and how they assist within the town and county – mainly related to impaired driving, speeding, cell phones and inspection services.

- Question on entrapment
- Question on speed sign prices

c. Administrative (Active PC)

- Question on whether the APC Coordinator can attend monthly Committee meetings or make a future presentation

d. Public Works

- Question on timeline for Denoon St project
- Question on flooding
- Question on how long brush cleanup will continue
- Question on whether geotechnical work was completed for VIC building

e. Recreation and Parks

- Question on skatepark landscaping
- Question on Broidy Park swing
- Question on equipment swap
- Question on Veterans Park Playground

f. Variance

- Question on environmental study
- Question on town-purchased tent

**7. APPOINTMENT COMMITTEES**

- a. Northumberland Fisheries Museum – N LeBlanc
  - Monthly events be planned
  - New fall hours
- b. PARL – D Currie
  - One Card program very successful
- c. Hector Quay – S McNamara
  - Survived Hurricane with little damage
  - Crew got a lot of donated wood from the hurricane from residents which will be used on the Ship Hector
  - Thank you to the volunteers who stepped up in September to help with bus tours, crew ships, etc

**8. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- a. Veterans Drive Playground Equipment

MOTION: For Council at their next Regular meeting to approve spending \$20,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 for swing features at Veterans Drive Playground.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED *COC-09-06-22-2583*

**9. DISCUSSIONS**

**10. CORRESPONDENCE**

- a. NS-PEI Ferry Replacement Request

The Chair entered into the record a letter that was sent to the Minister of Transport in support of our shipyard building a new replacement ferry. The local shipyard has the ability to build the vessel immediately, whereas the company awarded the contract out of Quebec cannot complete the project until 2025.

**11. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

- Question on status of St. Andrews Street being considered as a 2-way street
- Question on deCoste Project Tender
- Question on Source Water Protection committee meeting

**12. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 8:03 pm.

APPROVED

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Kyle Slaunwhite  
CAO