

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
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

1. PUBLIC SESSION – PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (5:30 pm)

2. PUBLIC SESSION – AUDIT COMMITTEE (6:00 pm)

3. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:53pm.

4. 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.

5. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: To approve the agenda with one addition:
8h. Approval of Audited Financial Statements

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2588

6. PROCLAMATIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

a. World Polio Day – October 24

The Chair declared October 24 as World Polio Day.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

a. Public Hearing – June 20, 2022

MOTION: To approve the Public Hearing minutes of June 20, 2022.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2589

b. Regular Council – June 20, 2022

MOTION: To approve the Regular Council minutes of June 20, 2022.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2590

c. Public Hearing – July 18, 2022

MOTION: To approve the Public Hearing minutes of July 18, 2022, with one correction: change CCRSB to CCRCE.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

c RTC-10-24-22-2591

- d. Special Council – July 18, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Special Council minutes of July 18, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2592***

- e. Planning Advisory – August 2, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Planning Advisory minutes of August 2, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2593***

- f. Special Council – August 2, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Special Council minutes of August 2, 2022, with one correction: change CCRSB to CCRCE.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2594***

- g. Committee of Council – August 2, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Committee of Council minutes of August 2, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2595***

- h. Regular Council – August 15, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Regular Council minutes of August 15, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2596***

- i. Public Hearing – September 6, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Public Hearing minutes of September 6, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2597***

- j. Special Council – September 6, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Special Council minutes of September 6, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2598***

- k. Committee of Council – September 6, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Committee of Council minutes of September 6, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2599***

- l. Public Hearing – October 11, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Public Hearing minutes of October 11, 2022.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2600***

- m. Committee of Council – October 11, 2022
MOTION: To approve the Committee of Council minutes of October 11, 2022 with one amendment:
8a. Veterans Drive Playground Equipment – change “approve the purchase of \$20,000 in fiscal year 2023-24 for swing features” to “approve spending \$20,000 for the purchase of swing features in the 23-24 fiscal year”.
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED ***RTC-10-24-22-2601***

8. RECOMMENDATIONS/REPORTS FROM PRIVATE SESSION

a. Reduction in Taxes Due to Fire – 167 St. Andrews St

MOTION: To approve reduction in taxes for 167 St Andrews Street, retroactive to the fire date of September 15, 2021 in the amount of \$434.80 for 2021-22 and \$860.39 for 2022-23 using the new PVSC assessment value.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED **RTC-10-24-22-2602**

b. Temporary Borrowing Resolution – Various Capital Projects

MOTION: To approve the following motion:

WHEREAS Section 66 of the *Municipal Government Act* provides that the Council of the Town of Pictou, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing, may borrow to expend funds for a capital purpose as authorized by statute;

WHEREAS the Council of the Town of Pictou has adopted a capital budget for this fiscal year as required by Section 65 of the *Municipal Government Act* and are so authorized to expend funds for capital purposes as identified in their capital budget;

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED

THAT under the authority of Section 66 of the *Municipal Government Act*, the Council of the Town of Pictou borrow a sum or sums not exceeding \$3,586,902 for the purpose set out above, subject to the approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing;

THAT the sum be borrowed by the issue and sale of debentures of the Council of the Town of Pictou to such an amount as the Council deems necessary;

THAT the issue of debentures be postponed pursuant to Section 92 of the *Municipal Government Act* and that a sum or sums not exceeding \$3,586,902 in total be borrowed from time to time from any chartered bank or trust company doing business in Nova Scotia;

THAT the sum be borrowed for a period not exceeding Twelve (12) Months from the date of approval of the Minister of Municipal Affairs and Housing of this resolution;

THAT the interest payable on the borrowing be paid at a rate to be agreed upon; and

THAT the amount borrowed be repaid from the proceeds of the debentures when sold.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED **RTC-10-24-22-2603**

c. Veterans Drive Playground Equipment

MOTION: To approve spending \$20,000 for the purchase of playground equipment for Veterans Drive Park in the 2023-24 fiscal year.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2604

d. Municipal Electoral Boundary Review

MOTION: To approve filing an application with the NSUARB that recommends maintaining the current number of councillors at four and maintaining an elected at large system.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2605

e. Rose Development – Phase 2

MOTION: To execute a Development Agreement with Michael Rose & Associates Strategic Consulting Inc. where the Town and Developer agree to a transfer of land ownership, specifically outlined in Schedule “D”, in which the Town agrees to convey title to the Developer outlined in yellow (PIDs 65172678, 00963793 and southern portions of PID 65148355 and 00981183) and the Developer agrees to convey title to the Town of lands outlined in red (northern portion of PID 00980854); and, with the following conditions:

- The minimum assessed value of each lot must be \$250,000
- All construction must be in compliance with the Town Subdivision By-law and reviewed by the Town Engineer

Provided all conditions are met, the Town will pay the Developer \$10,000 for each property upon completion of construction, signaled by an Occupancy Permit, with payout clause to end within 5 years of signing.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2606

f. Deputy Mayor Appointment

MOTION: To appoint Councillor Melinda MacKenzie as Deputy Mayor for the third year of this Council’s four-year term, effective November 1, 2022.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2607

g. Deputy Mayor Signing Authority

MOTION: To approve that Melinda MacKenzie be granted signing authority effective November 1, 2022.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2608

h. Approval of Audited Financial Statements

MOTION: To approve the Audited March 31, 2022 Financial Statements as presented by MNP.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2609

MOTION: To approve the Audited March 31, 2022 Water Statements as presented by MNP.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2610

9. **DISCUSSION**

a. Climate Summit Program

MOTION: To approve contributing \$1900 towards participating in the 2023 AIM Climate Summit Program being held in New Glasgow.

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

RTC-10-24-22-2611

10. REPORTS

a. Municipal Corporation Reports

i. Pictou County Wellness Centre (PCWC)

No meetings – Council conveyed their appreciation of the efforts of staff hosting power crews in the aftermath of the hurricane

ii. Pictou County Shared Services Authority

No meetings

iii. Riverview Home

Report distributed electronically

11. COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:35 pm.

APPROVED

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Kyle Slaunwhite
CAO