

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

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

**ALSO PRESENT:** Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO  
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/Minute Recorder

**1. PUBLIC SESSION – CALL TO ORDER**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

**2. 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.

**3. CHANGES/APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

MOTION: To approve the agenda as presented.  
MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

***RTC-01-23-23-2623***

**4. PROCLAMATIONS & ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS**

a. African Heritage Month – February 2023

The Chair declared February as African Heritage Month.

**5. PRESENTATIONS**

**6. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

a. Public Hearing – December 19, 2022

The Chair approved the circulated Public Hearing minutes of December 19, 2022 with one correction – cemetery was spelled wrong.

b. Regular Council – December 19, 2022

The Chair approved the circulated Regular Council minutes of December 19, 2022 with correction – the title of the meeting in the header should be Regular Council.

c. Committee of Council – January 9, 2023

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Committee of Council minutes of January 9, 2023.

d. Special Council – January 9, 2023

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Special Council minutes of January 9, 2023.

**7. RECOMMENDATIONS**

a. Emergency Generator – Water Utility

MOTION: To purchase a 75,000-kW mobile generator from United Rentals for \$32,935 plus HST (to be taken out of the water depreciation fund).

MOVED, SECONDED AND CARRIED

***RTC-01-23-23-2624***

**8. DISCUSSION**

a. Integrated Community Sustainability Plan

The CAO presented an overview of the plan. All goals were developed to help reverse population decline, continue with assessment growth, plan for asset replacement and pursue regional opportunities.

Council Comments/Questions:

- Consider promoting amenities for young families and affordable housing for sustained growth
- Highlight existing recreation investments
- Question on why RCMP are not mentioned – funds come from Operating; this plan is mainly capital in nature
- Concerns about proposed debt ratio – actuals would have to be approved each year and can be amended

**9. REPORTS**

a. Municipal Corporation Reports:

- i) Pictou County Shared Services Authority  
Distributed electronically
- ii) Pictou County Wellness Centre  
No meetings
- iii) Riverview Home  
No meetings

**10. PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS**

**11. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting.

APPROVED

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Kyle Slaunwhite  
CAO