

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 Dan Currie; Councillors Nadine LeBlanc, Melinda MacKenzie and Shawn McNamara

Also Present: Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk

1. 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 with one addition:
11a. Correspondence – Ron Clarke
Moved, Seconded and Carried

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4. Proclamations & Acknowledgements

5. Presentations

6. Approval of Minutes

a. Regular Council Minutes – June 17, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Regular Council Minutes of June 17, 2024.

b. Committee of Council Minutes – July 8, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Regular Council Minutes of July 8, 2024.

c. Planning Advisory – July 9, 2024

The Chair approved the circulated Planning Advisory Minutes of July 9, 2024 with one amendment – #3, under the major proposed Common Land Use Bylaw changes, the second sub-bullet should be “as-of-right in C3 Zones”, not R3 Zones.

7. Reports/Recommendations from Private Session

8. Recommendations

a. **First Reading Municipal Planning Documents (Inter-municipal Planning Strategy, Town of Pictou Secondary Planning Strategy and Common Land Use By-Law)**

The Chair provided an overview of the purpose of each of the three documents. He also shared the objectives of the Town of Pictou SPS around commercial, industrial, recreational, water and wastewater development.

The CAO provided an overview of the steps taken so far, and the remaining steps. The public can review and provide input. It will be available on the town website and/or in hard copy at the Town Office.

Motion: To approve First Reading of the Municipal Planning Documents (Inter-municipal Planning Strategy, Town of Pictou Secondary Planning Strategy and Common Land Use By-Law).

Moved, Seconded and Carried

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9. Discussion

10. Reports

a. **Municipal Corporation Reports**

i) **Pictou County Shared Services Authority**

- At the AGM, the Board of Directors approved the 2024 Consolidated Financial Statements
- The design and approval phase of the expansion to the Construction & Demolition (C&D) site is ongoing
- Question on where the C&D site is located – Mount William Landfill

ii) **Pictou County Wellness Centre**

- No meetings

iii) **Riverview Home**

- The Board reviewed and revised the Riverview Home Strategic Plan
- Direction was given to negotiate the purchase of additional housing and to negotiate commercial space for offices and social enterprises

iv) **Mayors and Warden**

- A presentation was made by the Safe Harbours Committee regarding the benefits of a furniture bank in Pictou County
- The newly legislated equity and anti-racism plans for Nova Scotia municipalities was discussed; joint plans may be discussed

11. Correspondence

a. **Correspondence – Ron Clarke**

Ron Clarke, Hector Arena Manager, asked that thanks be shared with Council on their increased and ongoing financial support of the arena.

12. Public Comments/Questions

- When will planning documents be available to the public? – By the end of the week
- What does C&D mean? – Construction and demolition

13. Adjournment

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Approved

James J. Ryan
Mayor

Kyle Slaunwhite
CAO