

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

**Present:** Deputy Mayor Nadine LeBlanc; Councillors Robert Fry and Krista Fulton

**Also Present:** Kyle Slaunwhite, CAO  
Nicole MacDonald, Deputy Clerk/ Minute Recorder

**Regrets:** Councillor Matt Harris

**1. Public Hearing – Trucking Route Study (5:30 pm)**

**2. Regular Council – Call to Order**

The Chair called the meeting to order at 9:07 pm.

**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. Changes/Approval of Agenda**

Motion: To approve the agenda with two additions:  
9a. Skate Park Debt  
9b. Alternate Truck Route – Next Steps

Moved, Seconded and Carried

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**5. Proclamations & Acknowledgements**

**6. Presentations**

**7. Approval of Minutes**

a. Special Council – November 8, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Special Council Minutes of November 8, 2024.

b. Regular Council – November 18, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Regular Council Minutes of November 18, 2024.

c. Committee of Council – December 2, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Committee of Council Minutes of December 2, 2024.

d. Special Council – December 2, 2024

There being no corrections, the Chair approved the circulated Special Council Minutes of December 2, 2024.

**8. Recommendations**

a. Green Municipal Fund (GMF) Climate Ready Plans – Increasing Pictou’s Staff Capacity for Climate Adaptation Resolution

Motion: To authorize the Mayor and CAO to submit an application to the Local Leadership for Climate Change Adaptation – Green Municipal Fund for the purposes of Increasing Pictou’s staff capacity for climate adaptation; and further, Council supports the project and commits to provide its share (\$7,750) toward the \$92,000 project cost.

Moved, Seconded and Carried

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**9. Discussion**

a. Skate Park Debt

In June 2022, the Skate Park tender came in \$33,000 over what was fundraised. The Skate Park Society agreed to fundraise the extra costs, while the Town agreed to finance the extra money so that the park could be built.

Staff were asked to report on the outstanding amount at the next meeting so they could contemplate the remaining amount.

b. Alternate Truck Route – Next Steps

A Special Council meeting will be held on Monday, December 23, 2024 to make a decision on the Alternate Trucking Route.

**10. Reports**

a. Municipal Corporation Reports

i) Pictou County Shared Services Authority

- Warden Parker will be Chair and Mayor White will be Vice Chair
- Outbound scales that were malfunctioning are now back in service
- Design approval of the expansion of the construction demolition site in ongoing
- 20-year agreement to continue to send Pictou County Solid Waste material to Guysborough County Landfill

ii) Pictou County Wellness Centre

- Nancy Dicks will be Chair and Jim Ryan will be Vice Chair
- Ice and community room rentals are up from last year
- Generator for the warming room has arrived and will be installed in January

iii) Riverview Home

- Allison Smith and Clarie MacKinnon were appointed as community representatives

- Looking at amending bylaws to increase the number of community members from two to four

iv) Mayors and Warden

- Presentation from the Ship Hector Foundation on the relaunch

**11. Correspondence**

**12. Public Comments/Questions**

- How long will the proceedings of the public hearing remain on the Facebook page?

**13. Private Session – Sale of Municipal Property**

Council moved to private session to discuss the Sale of a Municipal Property at 9:30 pm.

Council moved back into public session at 9:34 pm.

**14. Reports/Recommendations from Private Session (if necessary)**

The CAO was given direction to proceed with a Purchase and Sale Agreement on town-owned property.

**15. Adjournment**

There being no further business, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 9:35 pm.

Approved

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James J. Ryan  
Mayor

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Kyle Slaunwhite  
CAO